



Bourne Community Engagement Committee

Bylaw and Establishment

Section 1.6.1. Membership: There is hereby established in the Town of Bourne, an Engagement Committee, consisting of seven (7) members. The composition of the Committee, the appointment authority and the term of office for the committee members shall be as follows:

Three (3) residents at-large, and registered voters in the Town of Bourne, appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

One member of the Bourne Cultural Council

One member of the Bourne Board of Selectmen

One member of the Bourne Finance Committee

The Town Administrator or his/her appointee

Present members shall continue their respective terms in office as they were originally appointed. As said terms expire, appointments shall be made for up to three (3) year terms in a manner so that the terms of all members do not expire in the same year as provided in Section 2.4.3 of these Bylaws. Members may be reappointed, and they shall serve without compensation. Any vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the vacant term.

If any of the appointing authorities above cease to exist, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint in place of such appointing authorities, individuals qualified to serve on said Events Committee, as appointees at-large. Each appointing authority shall have (90) ninety days to make its appointments, after both passage of this bylaw, and approval by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth.

Section 1.6.2. Officers:

The Community Engagement Committee shall have a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and a Clerk, and all of whom shall be elected from among the membership no later than its second meeting held on or after July 1 of each year.

Section 1.6.3. Duties:

The Bourne Engagement Committee mission is to sponsor and encourage community events, projects, activities, services, programs, and public improvements which are of mutual interest to the visitors and residents of the Town of Bourne, and, which strengthen the Town by

fostering community involvement and spirit. The Committee shall create an application for funding and invite organizations or individuals to submit on events or activities that will benefit the Town of Bourne and its citizens. In no event may a Member present a project before the Committee. The Committee shall provide quarterly reporting to the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator.

Section 1.6.4. Funding:

The Committee is hereby authorized to make recommendations to the Town Meeting to expend for the purposes set forth in this bylaw, all moneys that are made available to it by appropriation, by gifts or grants, or by transfer of funds authorized by law. Any and all contracts for supplies, services, programs, and projects authorized by the Committee shall be awarded and executed by the Town Administrator on the recommendation of the Committee, subject to compliance with applicable procurement laws of the Commonwealth.

Section 1.6.5. Administration:

The Committee is authorized to spend up to five percent (5%) of the annual appropriation to the Community Engagement fund for advertising, publications, general administrative costs or other activities deemed appropriate by a majority vote of Committee.