Community Services Advisory Commission

The Community Services Advisory Commission was first appointed in 1977 when the town decided to combine recreation programs and adult education offerings under a single umbrella. Appointments to the commission are done in conformance with the Board and Commission section of the municipal ordinances. It has been suggested that since the Community Services Department is now wholly under the direct supervision of the school board and of the superintendent of schools that the section of the municipal ordinances dealing with the Community Services Advisory Commission be repealed and that the school board be responsible for determining appropriate oversight of the community services programs.

Article VI. Community Services Advisory Commission.

Sec. 4-6-1. Membership. The Community Services Advisory Commission shall consist of seven Cape Elizabeth residents. The Town Council shall appoint three members and the Cape Elizabeth School Board shall appoint four. Appointments shall be for staggered three year terms and no person shall serve more than two full consecutive terms. Any vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the term by the original appointing body.

Sec. 4-6-2. Duties and Responsibilities. The duties and responsibilities of the Commission shall be as follows:

- (a) To represent the needs and issues of total community education services.
- (b) To adopt policies to govern the recreation and adult education program, subject to specific disapproval of such policies by a resolution adopted by either the Town Council or the School Board.
- (c) To recommend an annual budget for the community recreation program to the School Board and the Town Council.
- (d) To recommend a candidate for Community Services Director to the School Board. Review of candidates shall be conducted in accordance with procedures adopted by the Commission and the Superintendent of Schools.
- (e) To review athletic field use and make recommendations on fields maintenance and use to the Town Council and municipal staff.