

★ COMING SOON ★

TOWN OF BREWSTER CHARTER

A CHARTER GIVES LOCAL CONTROL AS TO HOW THE TOWN OPERATES, SERVING AS THE CONSTITUTION TO THE TOWN

- * Retaining open Town Meeting and Select Board form of government.
- * Creating a single governing document for form, structure, and organization of the town.
- * Resolving ambiguities and conflicts between and among town bylaws and/or state laws.
- * Memorializing current Brewster practices and applicable best practices in local governance.
- * Setting clear lines of authority and responsibilities.
- * Reviewing and defining powers of Town Administrator.
- * Reviewing and defining powers of elected and appointed boards.
- * Coordinating operations of various departments.

BREWSTER CITIZENS!

★ YOUR INPUT WILL BE REQUESTED ★

TIMELINE

October 2020	Complete Review of Draft Chapters
November 2020	Request Input on Charter from Town Officials
December 2020	Update Charter as Appropriate Based on Feedback
January 2021	Conduct Community Forums to Discuss Proposed Charter and Request Resident Input
February 2021	Finalize Charter Based on Feedback and Present to Select Board for Inclusion on Town Warrant
March-April 2021	Continued Public Outreach
May 2021	Town Meeting Deliberation and Vote
Thereafter	Submit to State Legislature for Approval

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