

Acts (2022)

Chapter 337

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR IN THE TOWN OF MILTON

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 65 of the acts of 2016 is hereby amended by striking out the words “board of selectmen” each time they appear, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- select board.

SECTION 2. Subsection (d) of section 2 of said chapter 65 is hereby further amended by striking out the words “Subject to the civil service laws and any collective bargaining agreements as may be applicable, the town administrator shall appoint, supervise and direct all department heads, except for the consolidated facilities director and town employees, who are under the jurisdiction of the board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Subject to the civil service laws and any collective bargaining agreements as may be applicable, the town administrator shall appoint, supervise and direct all department heads, except for the consolidated facilities director, and town employees who are under the jurisdiction of the select board.

SECTION 3. Subsection (j) of said section 2 of said chapter 65 is hereby amended by striking out the word “to”, the first time it appears.

SECTION 4. Subsection (k) of said section 2 of said chapter 65 is hereby amended by striking out the word “to” the second time it appears.

SECTION 5. Said section 2 of said chapter 65 is hereby further amended by striking out subsection (l) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

(l) The town administrator shall have full jurisdiction over the short-term rental and use of all town facilities and real property except real property that is under the control of the school committee, the board of library trustees, the board of park commissioners, the board of cemetery trustees, the Milton housing authority, the trustees of the affordable housing trust, or the conservation commission; provided, however, that the town administrator, together with the school superintendent, shall supervise and oversee the director of consolidated facilities,

who shall be responsible for the maintenance and repair of all town buildings and facilities. For purposes of this subsection, “short-term rental and use of all town facilities and real property” shall mean a rental and use that does not exceed 7 days.

SECTION 6. Said section 2 of said chapter 65 is hereby further amended by striking out subsection (t) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

(t) The town administrator shall submit to the select board and to town meeting, if necessary, plans to reorganize, consolidate or abolish departments or offices under the town administrator’s direction and supervision or to establish new departments and offices, or both, subject to enactment of home rule legislation if otherwise legally required.

SECTION 7. Subsection (v) of said section 2 of said chapter 65 is hereby further amended by striking out the word “include” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- mean.

SECTION 8. Subsection (w) of said section 2 of said chapter 65 is hereby further amended by striking out the word “to”.

SECTION 9. The charter of the town of Milton, which is on file with the office of the archivist of the commonwealth, as provided in section 12 of chapter 43B of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out the word “selectmen”, each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- select board.

SECTION 10. Said charter is hereby further amended by striking out the word “chairman”, each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- chair.

SECTION 11. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the executive body of the town of Milton, previously known as the board of selectmen, shall be known as the select board and shall have the powers and authority of a board of selectmen under any general or special law and members of the select board, previously known as selectmen, shall be known as select board members.

SECTION 12. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved, December 29, 2022.