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TOWN OF EAST HADDAM

CHAPTER 12 BOARDS, COMMISSION, COMMITTEES AND AGENCIES

Article XII Board of Selectmen

[Adopted XX-XX-202X]

§ 12-46 Establishment; authority.

There shall be a Board of Selectmen consisting of three (3) members. Except as otherwise specifically provided by this Ordinance, the Board of Selectmen shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations set forth in the General Statutes with respect to board of selectmen as the same may, from time to time, be amended.

§ 12-47 Terms of office.

A. The members of the Board of Selectmen in office on the day following the date of adoption of this Ordinance shall continue as such members for the respective terms for which they or the persons they are succeeding in office have been elected.

B. There shall be three (3) members elected at the next succeeding municipal election for a term of four (4) years. Each party may nominate one (1) candidate for first selectman and one (1) candidate for selectman. Each elector shall vote for one (1) candidate for first selectman and for one (1) candidate for selectman. The candidate for first selectman receiving the highest vote shall be elected first selectman for a term of four (4) years. The votes cast for an unsuccessful candidate for first selectman shall be counted as votes for him or her as a member of such board, provided no elector may be a candidate for both the office of first selectman and that of selectman by virtue of nomination by a major or minor party or a nominating petition or registration of write-in candidacy, or any combination thereof. The maximum number who may be members of the same political party shall be two (2), and provided that for the purpose of determining minority representation, the total membership of such board shall be deemed to include the first selectman.

C. Thereafter at each quadrennial election there shall be elected one (1) candidate for first selectman and two (2) candidates, including the unsuccessful candidate for first selectman, who shall hold office for a term of four (4) years to succeed those who terms expire. In each quadrennial election one of three (3) members elected shall be a minority party member, and provided that for the purpose of

determining minority representation, the total membership of such board shall be deemed to include the first selectman.

D. The members so elected shall hold their office for a term of four (4) years from the second Monday next succeeding their election and until their successors are elected and have qualified.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

[Authority: General Statute §§ 7-192(a), 9-187, 9-187a, 9-188]

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