

## GOVERNANCE OF THE MPA

Before any action can be taken, it must first be determined if the action is in compliance with the governing rules and documents for the MPA, in the following order:

1. No action can be taken that is inconsistent with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in which MPA is incorporated as a non-profit corporation.
2. MPA Articles of Incorporation, as amended, currently on file with the Massachusetts Secretary of State.
3. MPA Bylaws.
4. MPA Procedures Manual.
5. The rules contained in the current edition of *Roberts Rules of Order*. The *Roberts* rules govern MPA in all cases to which they apply and in which they are not inconsistent with numbers 1 through 4 above.