



**TOWN OF  
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SELECTBOARD**

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**Open Government Working Group**

**Purpose**

The Selectboard has established an Open Government Working Group (OGWG). The purpose of the OGWG is to identify ways to improve the dissemination of town information to residents and enhance citizen engagement and to ensure openness, transparency, accountability as well as effective disclosure of public information in the operation of the Town.

**Organization**

The Committee shall consist of members appointed by the Selectboard. Additional (ad hoc) members with particular areas of expertise may join the committee at various points during the project, at the discretion of the committee. The Committee membership will consist of six (6) At-large members and one (1) Representative or Designee of the Selectboard. At-large members may also be members of other Town Boards, Committees or Working Groups; however, those members will serve on this Working Group in their capacity as a resident:

- Voting members:
  - A Representative or Designee of the Selectboard
  - Six (6) At-large Representatives
- Alternate Members
  - Four (4) At-large Representatives

**Scope**

Review of any and all matters related to the operation of the Town. Such review shall include but not be limited to the review of Boards, Committees, Working Groups, and other Town operations, including policies and procedures; to identify ways to improve the dissemination of town information to residents and enhance citizen engagement and to ensure openness, transparency, accountability as well as effective disclosure of public information in the operation of the Town.

***Open Government Working Group Charter***

***May 17, 2021***

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**Administration**

- All meetings will be posted, open to the public, and have summary minutes recorded consistent with RSA 91-A.
- At the first meeting, the OGWG shall elect a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary.
- The OGWG charter will end at the conclusion of the 2022 town meeting.

Charter adopted by the Selectboard on May 17, 2021.

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Drew Kellner

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Brendan Denehy

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Eddie Arnold

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Dana Ketchen

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