



**TOWN OF
BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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**Minutes
Open Government Working Group (OGWG)
February 10, 2022 at 5:30pm
1 Main Street, Brookline NH 03033**

Members present: Drew Kellner, Rose Baier, Jill Ketchen, Tom Rogers, Susan Holroyd, and Maria Bechis. John Cross joined at 5:35.

5:33PM Tom called the meeting to order.

MINUTE(S) ADJUSTMENTS

None

APPROVE MINUTES

Maria made the motion, seconded by Drew to correct the January 27, 2022 minutes to reflect that it was the July 21, 2021 set of minutes that were not in existence; Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

The group discussed the summary document that Jill had drafted. A question arose about the page numbering and Jill commented it had to do with the areas that needed to be redacted. There was a discussion on whether stakeholders should be defined; consensus was further explanation was not needed. John mentioned whether we should include language regarding a move to have

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staff embrace transparency in their job. Drew replied that we had hoped to get there, but we discovered foundational issues that need to be addressed first and that a follow-on committee would hopefully pick up from that point.

John made the motion, seconded by Jill, to approve the summary document as amended at the meeting; Motion passed unanimously.

MEMBER'S CONCERNS

Tom expressed that the town could benefit from a resident advocacy group to check in and make sure town government is striving to fulfill the spirit of what the committee discussed. **Jill** agreed and expressed her intent to send a letter to the future Selectboard to take up some of the recommendations once a new Town Administrator is hired.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

None

NEXT MEETING

None

February 10, 2022 is the final meeting of the currently chartered OGWG committee. **Drew** read the draft minutes taken contemporaneously.

Maria made the motion, seconded by Drew to approve the February, 10, 2022 minutes to as written; motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Drew made the motion, seconded by Rose to adjourn the meeting; Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55PM.

Minutes submitted by **Drew Kellner**.

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