



TOWN OF ST. JOHNSBURY

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Open Meeting Law Act 133 Complaint Process

Complaint Process:

State law required municipalities to explain the process for submitting notice of an Open Meeting Law violation to the local public body that allegedly committed the violation or to the Vermont Attorney General.

Open Meeting Law complaints directed to the Town of St. Johnsbury must be filed with the Town Manager by email at cwhitehead@stjvt.com or to Chad Whitehead 51 Depot Square St. Johnsbury, VT 05819. The written notice of complaint must allege a specific violation of the Open Meeting Law, identify the public body that committed the alleged violation, the public body will respond publicly to the alleged violation within 10 calendar days by:

- acknowledging the violation of this subchapter and stating an intent to cure the violation within 14 calendar days; or
- stating that the public body has determined that no violation has occurred and that no cure is necessary.

Failure of a public body to respond to a written notice of alleged violation within 10 calendar days will be treated as a denial of the violation for purposes of enforcement of the Open Meeting Law.

Act 133 (S.55) of 2024 (effective July 1) requires all municipalities to post to their website, if they maintain one, an explanation of the procedures for submitting notice of an Open Meeting Law violation but leaves it to each municipality to develop their own forms.

