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PRESENT: Chair Meyer, Jason Sinsaubagh, Roy DeFrances, and Ron Shubert.
Mike Szukala present as liaison.

Open Government Advisory Board Agenda

Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 6PM

Public Comments Are Welcome

1. Open Meeting.

Chair Meyer announced rules regarding social distancing and action taken in case of an emergency

2. Minutes.

Minutes from the previous meeting to be approved at the next scheduled meeting.

3. Issues and areas of focus for the OGAB this year

a. Freedom Of Information Law

Chair Meyer expressed that FOIL process and requests have not been easily accessible for the residents of Amherst and it is the focus of this board to ameliorate this issue.

Mike Szukala shared an anecdote and made the point that the Town does not consciously withhold data, sometimes specifics, to a certain extent, are not available.

4. New/Other Business

N/A

5. Public Comments If Any

Member of the public "challenged" the committee and its function based on "observation" regarding how meetings are carried out. The member also took issue with the use of private email addresses being used to conduct public business, and requested the OGAB look into the issue. The member asked that the board fight for the rights of it's people.

6. Next Meeting: TBD

The Next Meeting is scheduled for April 14th at 6:30 in the Council Chambers.