Complaint Process

State law requires 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 North Branch Fire District #1 must be filed with the administrator or selectboard chair, by e-mail to <u>administration@nbfdwwt.com</u> or to <u>pc-chair@nbfdwwt.com</u>.

The written notice of complaint must allege a specific violation of the Open Meeting Law, identify the public body that committed the alleged violation, and request a specific cure of such violation. Upon receipt of the written notice of 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.