

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY MUNICIPAL WEBSITE POLICY

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SECTION I AUTHORITY

Under the authority granted in 24 V.S.A., Chapter 33, Section 872, the Town of Montgomery Selectboard hereby adopts the following policy regarding the Municipal Website.

SECTION II PURPOSE / INTENT

This Policy is adopted to maintain oversight of the Municipal Web Site and ensure, as far as possible, accuracy of content and equal access to all citizens.

SECTION III DEFINITIONS/APPLICABILITY

The Municipal Website is the official site of the Town of Montgomery. While every effort will be made to ensure the accuracy of governmental information posted to the site, official documents, such as copies of recorded documents, must be obtained from the Town Clerk per Vermont state law. The Selectboard, or their designee, has sole authority to allow or disallow any content, links, or other information hosted on the Town of Montgomery's Municipal Website. If there is a complaint or dispute regarding any material disapproved for the site by the designee, it will be brought to the attention of the full Selectboard by way of the Town Complaint Policy.

SECTION IV SPECIFIC PROVISIONS

- 1. **Phone numbers and Privacy**: No home or personal numbers will be listed on the site except by permission or request by such individuals who hold official capacity either by elected or appointed nature. Names and other such public information will be limited to that which is part of the public domain, such as the Town Report. Requests to remove personal contact information can be made at any time to the Selectboard, designee, or Town Clerk.
- 2. Links & Events to the Town Site: Anyone may link to the Town site. There are no fees for doing this. Requests to have an organization or event listed/linked from the Town site will be approved at the discretion of the Selectboard or designee. Priority will be given to community-based entities directly in service of or relation to Montgomery residents (example: Elementary School web page link or Commission sponsored public presentation). The purpose of providing links for residents shall not be construed as a means of a private businesses advertising and no event will be listed with associated sales exclusively for the profit of a commercial, for profit, entity.
- 3. **Official Information:** Official information will be posted as specified by Vermont law. It is the responsibility of the respective officer, or governing body, to ensure those which documents, if applicable, are posted on the website and posted by the statutory deadlines

SECTION V AMENDMENTS

This policy may be amended by a majority vote of the legislative body at any duly warned meeting, providing the subject appears on the agenda for that meeting.

SECTION VI NOTICE

- 1. This Policy shall be entered into the minutes of the Town records and shall be posted in at least three conspicuous places in Town.
- 2. A reference to a place within the municipality where the full text may be examined, shall be posted also.

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