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Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 10:29 AM
To: Robert Tarlov
Cc: Art Shilosky; Tricia Dean; Ronald Goldstein; Stefani Lowe
Subject: Re: FOI QUESTION on request of Public Records

Rob,

I have requested "hard copies" on a few occasions, most of my FOI requests are to "inspect copies" of public records.

The few times I have requested printed copies pertained to having documents which were to be discussed at BOF meetings, so as Colchester Citizen, I could follow along with the discussion and fully participate in the public meeting.

The requests were for documents that the BOF did not make public prior to meetings. I multiple meetings citizens were left listening to hour(s) long discussions on documents we (the public) had no idea existed.

I then noticed, during the BOF meetings, that all Public Officials in attendance, had and frequently referenced the documents being discussed by the BOF on electronic devices. It was only after I realized that the documents existed (via Public Officials referencing them on electronic devices) but were not made public by you, that I requested them for future meetings under FOI.

In fact, I was denied access to public records - requested in person, under FOI - prior to a BOF meeting on 5/17/2017, and the denial was in violation of CT FOIA. While I did not file a complaint at that time, I was well within my rights to do so.

Your promise to increase transparency and provide citizens with public documents to be discussed - prior to BOF meetings - was the reason I did not file a complaint at the time.

Deanna Bouchard

Sent from my iPhone