

Wayland's Open Meeting Law Violations

50 Complaints, 2010 – 2016

31 Violations confirmed by AG or Superior Court

8 Violations acknowledged by committees,
not submitted to AG

11 'No-violation' decisions by AG



Neighboring Towns

Open Meeting Law Violations

Natick: 1 violation from 3 complaints
Sudbury: 5 violations from 6 complaints
Wellesley: 1 violation form 1 complaint
Weston: 2 violations from 3 complaints



Wayland Committees with Most Open Meeting Law Violations

School Committee: 16 violations

Board of Selectmen: 8 violations

Finance Committee: 5 violations

Other Committees: 10 violations

2010-2016 Total: 39 violations



Most Frequent Open Meeting Law Violations

Meeting Procedures

- Secret email deliberations
- Secret meeting
- Purpose
- Notice not posted
- Notice inadequately specific
- Improper procedure
- Voted matter not on agenda



Most Frequent Open Meeting Law Violations

Document Requests

- Not released
- Not timely released
- Too slow responding to Minutes request
- Response to complaint not filed



Most Frequent Open Meeting Law Violations

Minutes

- Inaccurate
- Lacking detail, specificity
- Not timely released
- Not timely approved
- No roll call
- Not all documents used were listed

