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Diane Mahon  
Chair, Select Board, Arlington MA

Dear Chair Mahon,

Please include in the May 4, 2020 Select Board meeting agenda an examination of the public meeting practices as currently implemented by Town Manager, his staff and appointed members of numerous committees and commissions and your office.

Kindly share online meeting protocol as practiced and disseminated by the Office of the Select Board and/or Town Manager and instructions with the public.

Should the limits of the Zoom platform be insurmountable for the Town Manager and his office to allow full enfranchisement of the public, kindly consider other platforms, WebEx, etc. Microsoft platforms.

Recent meetings of over 100 attendees indicate it is possible to afford full enfranchisement of the Arlington public, complete an agenda and take questions.

One wonders why the Select Board and the Town Manager and his staff choose to exclude the public much as women and people of color were excluded and in some instances continue to be excluded today.

Respectfully,  
Beth Melofchik  
Town Meeting Member  
Flatten the curve, wash hands, wear masks as able  
More women on the Select Board