

FRANKLIN VILLAGE BOARD

PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY

A. Any person who seeks to address the members of the Board at any public meeting will be permitted to speak on any matter listed on the agenda or on any other matter of public concern, subject to the following provisions:

1. Persons wishing to speak during any portion of an open meeting shall sign in before the meeting's starting time, stating their name, address, and topic to be discussed on the " public comment" for found on the Board table. Speaker shall be called by name to approach by the presiding officer. Citizens wishing to be heard on items not included on the formal agenda will be recognized under the agenda item entitled "citizen comments or questions" found at the beginning of the meeting.

2. Prior to speaking, each person must be recognized by the presiding officer and must state his or her name and address for the record.

3. The presiding officer may impose reasonable limitations on citizen's participation at meetings such as barring repetitious, irrelevant, immaterial or inappropriate comments or testimony, and reserves the right to halt or suspend the public forum/hearing to a later date if the rules are not being followed.

4. Subject to subsection (a)(5), public comment is limited to no more than five (5) minutes per person and to no more than one (1) hour per meeting, unless extended by consent of a majority vote of the members present. The presiding officer or his or her designee shall monitor each speaker's use of time and shall notify the speaker when the time allotted has expired.

5. If the presiding officer recognizes that more than twenty (20) persons desire to speak, he or she may limit each speaker to comments of no more than three (3) minutes. whenever any group of persons wishes to address the members on the same subject matter, the presiding officer may ask that a spokesperson be chosen from the group. If additional matters are to be presented by other persons in the group, the presiding officer may limit the number of such persons and may limit the presentation to information not already presented by the group spokesperson.

6. Persons invited by the presiding officer to address the members are subject to such time limitations as the majority of the members present may prescribe.

7. The Secretary shall post the provisions of this Policy on the Board's website.

Resolution No. 2
Resolution Adopting Public Comment Policy

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Franklin, Illinois that it does hereby adopt the Public Comment Policy attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Passed and Approved at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Franklin this 1st day of October, 2019.

Mayor

Attest:

Village Clerk