Rules for Persons Addressing the Public Officials of the Township of Plainfield

Any person may address the public body of the Township of Plainfield at all regularly scheduled board meetings, held on the second Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. at the Plainfield Township Building.

Any person wishing to address the public body may do so at the beginning of every regularly scheduled board meeting, once acknowledged by the Supervisor and typically immediately following the pledge to the flag and roll call. The person talking must state their name first, for the record.

The board may, at their discretion, re-open the meeting for public comment at any point later in the meeting where public comments may be heard on a specific agenda item. For example, if a committee is making a recommendation to the board on a specific issue, at that point during the meeting, the board may allow public comments on that specific item only.

At any point in time when the board opens the floor to public comments, the following conditions apply:

- Each person wishing to address the public body will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak.

- If the individual’s comments cannot be provided during the allotted three (3) minutes, they may submit their comments in writing to the board, via the clerk, for their consideration.

The township board reserves the right to remove any individual or any groups of individuals who may be disrupting the board meeting (the public’s business) or who are threatening the public’s safety.

Tape recording and video taping of a board meeting is allowed, however; the township board reserves the right to stop recording or taping any portion of a meeting where instances occur that might violate an individual’s right to privacy.

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