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## WINFIELD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC COMMENT GUIDELINES

- 1. The Agenda for all regular meetings shall include "Public Comments". The Agenda for special meetings may include "Public Comments".
- 2. Any person wishing to make a public comment shall state their name and address for the record.
- 3. Public comments shall be limited to five (5) minutes, unless extended by a vote of the Board. Speakers may submit written comments in lieu of verbal comments, or to supplement their verbal comments.
- 4. Public comments at a regular meeting may be related to any subject. Public comments at special meetings shall be limited to topics on the agenda.
- 5. Public comments shall be made in a civil and courteous manner, and shall not include vulgar, hostile, threatening or disruptive comments.
- 6. Groups of speakers on the same subject shall select a representative speaker in order to avoid repetition.
- 7. Township officials may, but are not required, to answer questions or respond to public comments at the meeting.
- 8. The Township Supervisor or presiding officer may, but is not required, to allow public comments during the discussion of topics on the agenda.
- 9. The Township Supervisor or presiding officer may halt or suspend public comment due to non-compliance with these guidelines, and may defer the completion of public comments to the next meeting due to the number of speakers or other reasonable grounds.

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