## Public Comment Regulations Per Resolution 6-2018 and 12-2018

- 1. Comments by members of the public on items on the agenda.
  - a. Residents and taxpayers of the Township and visitors may make comments to the Board after a motion has been made and seconded on an item where official action (as defined in 65 Pa.C.S.A. §703) will be taken, but before a vote on that motion by the Board.
  - b. Comments by any one individual shall be limited to three (3) minutes, unless, at the discretion of the Chairperson, the speaker is granted more time. (By way of example- Chairperson: "The speaker shall be allotted two (2) more minutes to conclude their comments.")
  - c. The Board of Supervisors reserves the right not to engage in a dialogue with a commenter, including the right not to engage in a question and answer session on matters on which a motion has been made. Comments are encouraged to be declaratory in nature and not interrogatory.
- 2. Comments by members of the public on items which are not on the agenda.
  - a. In order to allow members of the Board Residents and taxpayers of the Township and visitors may make comments on items that are not on the agenda at the conclusion of the Board's meetings during the "Public Comment" portion of the agenda. The agenda will be available on the Township's website at least 48 hours prior to each regular and special meeting of the Board of Supervisors. The Township Manager or his or her designee shall have the authority to post agenda documents on the Township's website at his or her discretion.
  - b. Individuals who wish to provide public comment shall be required to sign-in before the meeting and their comments will be heard in the order that their names appear on the sign-in sheet.
  - c. Comments by any one individual shall be limited to three (3) minutes, unless, at the discretion of the Chairperson, the speaker is granted more time. (By way of example- Chairperson: "The speaker shall be allotted two (2) more minutes to conclude their comments.")
  - d. The Board of Supervisors reserves the right not to engage in a dialogue with a commenter, including the right not to engage in a question and answer session on matters not on the agenda. Comments are encouraged to be declaratory in nature and not interrogatory.
- 3. No individual shall make offensive, insulting, threatening, insolent, slanderous or obscene remarks or act in a boisterous manner or make threats against any person or against public order and security.
- 4. If an individual shall refuse to yield the floor when their allotted time has expired or refuse to adhere to the protocols of decorum and order by yelling or commenting when they have not been recognized by the Board Chairperson to speak, he or she shall be asked to leave the meeting by the Board Chairman and, if necessary, be removed by the Sergeant at Arms, who shall be a Township Police Officer present at each meeting.