

# *Fire District No. 3*

Township of Hanover, County of Morris

## RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR DECORUM AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

February 7, 2013

13-02-07- 06

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Commissioners of Fire District No. 3, Township of Hanover, County of Morris is desirous of remaining compliant with the State of New Jersey's Open Public Meeting Act (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meeting Act allows for public participation during designated in the meeting agenda, or where appropriate as designated herein, and

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Commissioners of Fire District No. 3, Township of Hanover, County of Morris is desirous of maintaining proper decorum within said meetings,

**NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED** by the Commissioners of Fire District No. 3, Township of Hanover, County of Morris, N.J., as follows:

### 1) Addressing the Board of Fire Commissioners

- a. Persons other than Board Members may be permitted to address the Board in the proper order of business. A person present may, upon recognition by the chair, be heard:
  - i. During the public portion of the meeting.
  - ii. During public hearing upon any resolution.
- b. At such other times as the Board of Fire Commissioners may, by affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum, permit.
- c. No person shall address any remark or question to any specific Board-member except by permission of the Chairman of the Board. A Board-member may, through the chairman, respond to any communication or address received pursuant to this subsection.
- d. Any person addressing the Board shall first clearly state their name and address for the record.
- e. Except upon consent of the Board, each person addressing the Board shall be required to limit his or her remarks to five (5) minutes, and no person shall at

any time engage in any personally offensive or abusive remarks. The chairman shall call any speaker to order who violates any provision of this rule.

**2) Decorum**

- a. Each member of the Board of Fire Commissioners shall cooperate with the chairman in preserving order and decorum, and no member shall, by conversation or otherwise, delay or interrupt the proceedings of the Board or disturb any member while speaking or fail to abide by the orders of the Board or its Chairman except as specifically permitted by these rules.
- b. Any person who shall disturb the peace of the Board of Fire Commissioners, make impertinent or slanderous remarks or conduct himself in a boisterous manner while addressing the Board may be promptly barred by the Chairman or his/her designee, from further audience before the Board, except that if the speaker shall submit to proper order under these rules, permission for him to continue may be granted by a majority vote of the Board.

It is hereby certified that this resolution is adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.



Robert Callas  
Secretary

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## Certification

I, **Robert Callas**, Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Fire District No. 3, Township of Hanover, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hereby certify that the Commissioners at a meeting held on the 7 day of February, 2013, duly adopted the attached resolution; 13- 02-07-06.

This resolution was introduced by Commissioner:

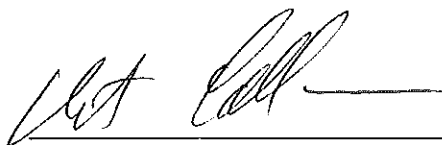
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and was seconded by Commissioner

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## Record of the Vote

	Callas	De Nigris	Dugan	Harrington	Quirk
Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
No					
Abstain					
Absent					



Robert Callas, Secretary