

**TOWN OF JULESBURG**  
**County of Sedgwick, State of Colorado**  
**Resolution No. 2022-06**

A RESOLUTION BY THE JULESBURG BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AT PUBLIC MEETINGS  
FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Town of Julesburg (“Town”) meets regularly to conduct the business of the Town in accordance with C.R.S. 24-6-401; and

**WHEREAS**, free speech and public comment is an essential part of democracy; and

**WHEREAS**, from time to time the public might want to address the Board; and,

**WHEREAS**, the most efficient place for public participation and comment is at the regularly scheduled Board meeting; and,

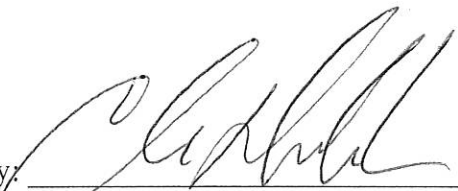
**WHEREAS**, there must be adequate time for conducting the regular business of the Town as set on the meeting agenda;

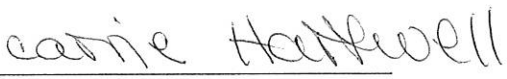
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the following policy governing public comment shall be adopted.

1. The Mayor or presiding officer at the meeting has the discretion to enforce the terms of this policy. Variation from the policy should be avoided wherever possible.
2. At the beginning of the public comment period, the Mayor or presiding officer will review the guideline and explain that is the time for citizens and residents to express their views in order to inform the Board. Further, no decisions will be made as a result of public comment unless it is added to a subsequent meeting agenda.
3. Individuals wishing to address the Board must sign-in on a designated sheet prior to the start of the meeting. The sheet may include information about the topic that an individual wishes to address with the Board. Alternatively, if an individual desires, they may notify the Town Clerk in writing not less than 72 hours before the meeting of their desire to address the Board.
4. Citizens may not sign up on behalf of others.
5. For the public comment period, each speaker is allowed one, five-minute period, unless such speaker represents a group of individuals or organizations, in which case, a time limit will be established in advance by the Mayor or presiding officer of the meeting.

6. Meeting attendees may not “donate” their speaking time to another person.
7. Speakers are not permitted to comment during the public comment period on topics that come up later as a public hearing item.
8. All remarks should be addressed to the Board as a whole.
9. Speakers shall refrain from comment or behavior that involves:
  - a. Disorderly speech or action; name-calling or personal attacks; obscene or indecent remarks; and derogatory comments on personalities;
  - b. Advertising or promoting the sale of products, services, or private enterprise;
  - c. Promoting any contest or lottery; and
  - d. Promoting candidates for public office or upcoming ballot measures.
10. Any person who engages in speech or action as described in Section 9 or disrupts the meeting in any way, may be barred from further audience before the Board during the meeting. Disruptive individuals may be removed from the meeting at the Mayor’s or presiding officer’s discretion.
11. The Mayor or presiding officer may set other reasonable, viewpoint-neutral limits to prevent disruption of Board business.

ADOPTED and APPROVED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.

By:   
Chad Hoschouer  
Mayor, Town of Julesburg

Attested by:   
Carrie Hartwell  
Town Clerk, Town of Julesburg