Policy for Public Participation at Village Board and Committee Meetings

The primary purpose of the Allouez Village Board Meeting is to conduct the business of the village which is to manage and control of the village property, finances, highways, streets, navigable waters, and the public service (Wisconsin Statute 61.34). During those meetings, many village boards allow for a period of public comment, and Allouez is no different. The Village Board has a history of welcoming public input and participation at our meetings.

Many governmental bodies have a defined policy for public participation at their meetings. These policies serve to help inform the public of how and when they can speak during a village meeting and what the guidelines are for doing so. These policies also serve as a tool to help guide the village in conducting public meetings in a consistent fashion.

I am recommending the Village Board direct staff to create a policy for public participation at Allouez Village Board and Committee Meetings.

Jim Rafter Village President