

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES RELATED TO PUBLIC COMMENT AT PORT DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS

WHEREAS, the Illinois Open Meetings Act (the "Act") provides that a public comment period be scheduled at any meetings conducted by the Tri-City Regional Port District Board (the "Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that the Board may establish procedures to apply to said public comment periods in order to maintain order during the meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board developed and adopted the procedures to maintain order during the public comment periods during its meetings on December 10, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Attorney General has promulgated new standards to apply to public participation in meetings of public bodies; and

WHEREAS, the District wishes adopt the new standards, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and, by this action, rescind all previous procedures to maintain order during the public comment periods during its meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRI-CITY REGIONAL PORT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

1. That the procedures set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto, be adopted and applied during public comment periods of Port District Board Meetings.
2. That all previous procedures to maintain order during the public comment periods during its meetings are hereby rescinded.
3. That the staff of the Port District is hereby instructed to post the procedures set forth in Exhibit A at the District offices at 1635 W. First Street, Granite City, Illinois 62040.

PASSED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014.  
APPROVED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014

  
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Chairman

ATTEST:  
  
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Secretary

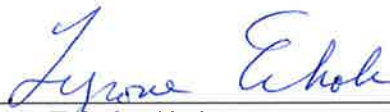
**RULES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TRI-CITY REGIONAL PORT DISTRICT OF MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

A person desiring to speak before the Board of Commissioners of the Tri-City Regional Port District of Madison County, Illinois, at a regular meeting of the Board, shall take notice of the following:

1. Prior to the meeting, it is necessary to prepare a brief self-identification and statement of material he/she intends to present (form attached).
2. The comments by such person shall be limited to 5 minutes unless a majority of the Board of Commissioners extends the period for presentation.
3. Comments shall be limited to subjects on the agenda of the meeting.
4. The Board of Commissioners may cut off comments that are irrelevant, repetitious or disruptive of the Board meeting.
5. The Board may, at its discretion, by simple majority of voting members, set aside a specific portion of the meeting for public comments for any individual meeting.

The Board of Commissioners of the Tri-City Regional Port District does hereby authorize the foregoing procedure to be posted (published) at the District offices at 1635 W. First Street, Granite City, Illinois 62040.

June 9, 2014  
Dated

  
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Tyrone Echols, Chairman  
Tri-City Regional Port District  
Madison County, Illinois

