

**RESOLUTION
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of Clinton Township held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 30, 2026 at the Clinton Township Hall on motion by Scott and support of Greenleaf the following resolution was read and approved:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Township Board welcomes and values input from the public. In order to ensure that board meeting and public comment is conducted in an orderly, efficient, and respectful manner, allowing the Board to complete its official business safely and effectively, the Township Board adopts the following rules are established pursuant to MCL 15.263(1):

1. Designated Public Comment Periods.

- A. **Scheduled Times:** Public comment will take place during the designated times listed on the official meeting agenda.
- B. **Addressing the Board:** Members of the public may only address the Board during these designated public comment periods, or when specifically recognized by the Meeting Chair.

2. Time and Manner Restrictions.

- A. **Time Limits:** Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes per public comment period. Time may not be yielded or transferred to another speaker.
- B. **Registration:** Prior to the start of the meeting, speakers are requested to sign in on the provided public comment sheet, listing their name and township residency status (residency is not required to speak).
- C. **Location of Speaker:** Speakers must address the Board from the designated microphone/podium.

3. Personal Attacks. Personal attacks by members of the public or the Board are not appropriate. Comments should be focused on “problem centered” discussion and not digress to “person centered” attacks.

4. Physical Boundaries and Safety (Buffer Zone).

- A. **Restricted Board Area:** To ensure the safety of public officials and the security of official documents, members of the public must remain in the designated audience seating area or at the public podium.
- B. **Proximity Limits:** No individual may approach within five (5) feet of the

Board's dais or seating table at any time during the meeting, unless explicitly invited by the Meeting Chair to present documents.

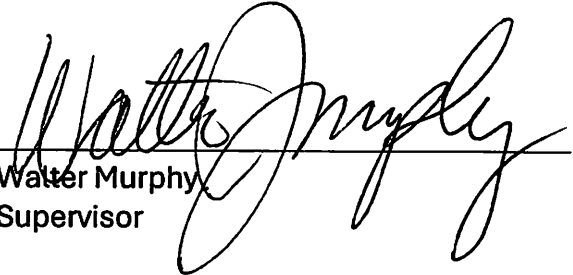
- C. **Pacing and Wandering:** Loitering, pacing, or standing in the aisles, walkways, or behind the Board dais is strictly prohibited. Attendees must remain seated unless walking to or from the podium.
5. **Live Streaming and Recording.** Persons wishing to live stream and/or record township meetings shall do so only from designated areas.
6. **Rules of Decorum and Interruptions.**
- A. **No Out-of-Turn Interruptions:** No person shall disrupt the meeting by shouting out, interrupting Board members, or interrupting other speakers who have the floor.
 - B. **Content Neutrality:** The Board will not censor speech based on viewpoint. Content criticizing township policies, officials, or services is permitted]
 - C. **Personal Auditory/Visual Disruptions:** The use of noisemakers, clapping, booing, or holding signs in a manner that blocks the vision of other attendees is prohibited.
7. **Enforcement and Removal for Breach of the Peace.**
- A. **First Warning:** Any individual who violates these rules will be called to order by the Meeting Chair and given a verbal warning to cease the behavior.
 - B. **Second Warning:** If the misconduct persists, the Meeting chair shall issue a second warning which may result in a person who has the floor losing the right to address the Board, although if the abuse ends the Board may formally permit the speaker to resume.
 - C. **Order of Removal:** Pursuant to MCL 15.263(6), any individual who continues to disrupt the orderly conduct of the meeting after a two warnings commits an actual breach of the peace and will be ordered to leave the meeting room.
 - D. **Law Enforcement Intervention:** If an individual refuses an order to leave, the Meeting Chair will request law enforcement to escort the individual from the premises.
 - E. **Misdemeanor Charge:** Disruption of a lawful public meeting may subject the individual to criminal prosecution under Michigan law (MCL 750.170).

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

Ayes: Kovalski, Scott, Murphy, Greenleaf, Couture

Nays: None

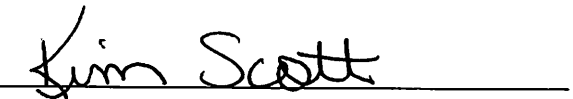
The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.



Walter Murphy
Supervisor

CERTIFICATION

I, Kim Scott, Clerk of Clinton Township, hereby certifies this to be a true and complete copy of Resolution No. 26-7 duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board held on September 30, 2026.



Kim Scott
Clerk