



Board Rules of Order and Operational Procedures Public Comment

The County Board Parliamentarian shall manage the public comment section of the agenda and review speaker requests; call upon speakers at the appropriate time, and enforce the rules governing public comment.

Items that are on the agenda	Items that are not on the agenda
<p>Complete yellow “Public Comment Card” and provide it to parliamentarian seated at the left side of the dais. Be sure to indicate agenda item number or provide a description of the topic.</p> <p>The Board Chair will recognize the individual printed on card and direct the speaker to approach the podium.</p> <p>Individual comment is limited to three (3) minutes. The parliamentarian will notify the speaker when the three minutes have expired and speakers can view the timing device at the podium.</p> <p>The parliamentarian may limit or preclude comment which is repetitive, redundant, cumulative, or irrelevant to County Board business, or promotes or supports a candidate for public office, or is political in nature.</p>	<p>Complete yellow “Public Comment Card” and provide to parliamentarian seated at the left side of the dais. Be sure to provide a description of the topic.</p> <p>If the parliamentarian deems the topic is germane to County Board business and <u>not</u> redundant, or political, he/she will recognize the individual printed on card and direct the speaker to approach the podium.</p> <p>Individual comment is limited to three (3) minutes. The parliamentarian will notify the speaker when the three minutes have expired and speakers can view the timing device at the podium.</p> <p>The parliamentarian may limit or preclude comment which is repetitive, redundant, cumulative, or irrelevant to County Board business, or promotes or supports a candidate for public office, or is political in nature.</p>

General Information

- When appropriate, matters raised by public comment shall be referred to the appropriate Standing Committee.
- Persons addressing the Board shall refrain from commenting about the private activities, lifestyles, or beliefs of others, including County employees and elected officials, that are unrelated to the business of the County Board or County government. Also, speakers should refrain from comments or conduct that is uncivil, rude, vulgar, profane or otherwise disruptive. Any person engaging in such conduct shall be requested to leave the meeting. The Parliamentarian may also prohibit the individual from addressing the Board at future meetings.
- Candidates for public office wishing to address the Board under Public Comment must refrain from making comments that are political in nature or that promote or

support a candidate. This includes refraining from identifying oneself as a candidate for public office.



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Public Comment on Matters Unrelated to the Business of the Lake County Board

On various occasions in the past, members of the public have sought to address the Lake County Board with citizen complaints on issues or topics that are not related or relevant to the business of the Board, as is required under the duly-adopted County Board Rules of Order and Operational Procedure. In such instances, it may be appropriate to redirect that member of the public to one or more of the agencies identified below with specific authority to investigate and redress the citizen's complaint:

OPEN MEETINGS ACT VIOLATIONS

Lake County State's Attorney
18 North County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085
(847) 377-3000
statesattorney@lakecountyil.gov

Illinois Attorney General, Public Access Counselor
500 S. 2nd Street
Springfield, IL 62706
publicaccess@atg.state.il.us
or visit website at <https://foia.ilattorneygeneral.net>

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT VIOLATIONS

Illinois Attorney General, Public Access Counselor
500 S. 2nd Street
Springfield, IL 62706
publicaccess@atg.state.il.us
or visit website at <https://foia.ilattorneygeneral.net>

JUDICIAL MISCONDUCT

Judicial Inquiry Board

100 West Randolph Street
Suite 14-500
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 814-5554
(800) 227-9429
FAX (312) 814-5719.

You may also download a Complaint form from its website at
www.state.illinois.gov/jib.

PUBLIC OFFICIAL/POLICE MISCONDUCT

Lake County State's Attorney
18 North County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085
(847) 377-3000
statesattorney@lakecountyil.gov

Illinois Attorney General
Civil Rights Bureau
100 West Randolph Street
Chicago, IL 60601
FAX (312) 814-3212
You can download and complete a complaint form at
www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/rights/civilrights.html

U.S. Department of Justice (www.justice.gov)

Complaints of individual discrimination:

Civil Rights Division
Coordination and Review Section, NWB
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20530
(888) 848-5306

Complaints that a police department has a pattern or practice of discriminating on the basis of national origin:

U.S. Department of Justice
Civil Rights Division
Special Litigation Section, PHB
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20530
(202) 514-6255