

AGENDA
TOWN BOARD MEETING
FORT ANN, NEW YORK
October 05, 2015

Pledge of Allegiance led by Town Board member Debbie Witherell

1.0 Open Budget Workshop Meeting (6:30 PM)

1.1 Review 2016 Tentative Budget

2.0 Adjourn

***** Note: This Agenda is Subject to Change Without Notice*****

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR PARAMETERS

In order to have an organized meeting of the Town Board and observe Open Government guidelines, the following Privilege of the Floor parameters shall be adhered to:

Public Comment

The Public Comment period of the Agenda shall be a period whereby the public may comment on items listed on the Agenda. This shall give the public an opportunity to convey their interests on items listed on the Agenda before the Town Board conducts business on the items. This period is not a back-and-forth discussion period between the Board and the public, but rather a period where the Board hears the public on Agenda items. A time limit of three minutes per speaker shall be allotted. This Public Comment period is a privilege during a public meeting and may be rescinded or restricted by the Supervisor at any time if it becomes unruly.

Public Hearing

A Public Hearing is scheduled by the Town Board specifically to address a certain issue. Notice of Public Hearing shall be advertised in the official Town newspaper (which is normally The Post Star), the Town Website (www.fortannfornow.com), and the Town Sign Board. Not all Town Board meetings shall have a Public Hearing slated on the Agenda. At this time, the public shall be “heard” without a back-and-forth discussion between the Board and the public. A time limit of three minutes per speaker shall be allotted.

Public Discussion

The Public Discussion period of the Agenda shall be the period where the public may engage the Town Board in discussion on any of the above Agenda items or bring new items of discussion to the Town Board. A time limit of five minutes per speaker shall be allotted. This Public Discussion period is a privilege during a public meeting and may be rescinded or restricted by the Supervisor at any time if it becomes unruly.

In order to speak during a Public Comment, Public Hearing or Public Discussion period, a speaker must first be recognized by the Supervisor. The speaker shall then have the floor while speaking. No interruptions or heckling or breakdown into verbal chaos shall be tolerated. If needed, in order to maintain control, the Supervisor may immediately adjourn the meeting.