

**RESOLUTION 04-10
ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS IN ORDER TO CONDUCT
PUBLIC MEETINGS IN AN ORDERLY MANNER AND TO PROVIDE PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION IN SUCH MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Marietta hold public meetings to conduct the business of the Borough, and;

WHEREAS, the Borough Council, pursuant to the "Sunshine Act," Act of July 3, 1986, P.L. 388, No. 84 65 P.S. 271 et seq., as amended, by providing a reasonable opportunity at each public meeting for residents and/or taxpayers of the Borough of Marietta to comment on matters of concern, official actions or deliberation which are or may be before the Council.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Marietta, in order to conduct all public meetings in an orderly manner and to provide for public participation in such meetings, that the following public meeting rules and regulations shall apply:

There will be placed on the agenda for each public meeting a time for residents and/or taxpayers of the Borough to comment on matters of concern, official action or deliberation which are or may be before the Borough Council. Such time on the agenda shall be titled "Public Comment." The following guidelines are established for this portion of the public meeting:

- A. Residents and/or taxpayers shall comment only after being recognized by the President conducting the meeting.
- B. Residents and/or taxpayers of the Borough shall announce their names and addresses prior to addressing the Borough Council.
- C. The President may rule out-of-order, scandalous, impertinent and redundant comments, or comments the discernible purpose or effect of which is to disrupt the proceedings of the meeting. The President may have persons making such comments removed from the meeting, including forcible removal by the Police if necessary.
- D. The President may allocate available time among individuals wishing to comment. The time may be a period of time such as ten (10) to fifteen (15) minutes for a group or two (2) to three (3) minutes for individuals.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution is adopted the 4th day of January 2010.

Attest:

Marietta Borough Council

Borough Secretary/Treasurer

President

SEAL

Council members: Kasey L. Barninger
Peggy A. Brewer
Miriam N. Fletcher
Everett E. Nagel
John L. Rice
Barbara S. Wilson
Oliver C. Overlander, II, Mayor