## Island Inn Condominium Association Inc. Owner Participation and Rules for Board of Directors Meetings

The Association Board wants to hear comments from all owners. To ensure orderly meetings for agenda items, we immediately implement the following rules/guidelines, adapted from numerous public meetings taking place in our area and in the state.

## RULES

- A. There will be a "listening period" at the <u>beginning or end</u> of the Board of Directors meetings during which unit owners will be given the opportunity to speak on **Agenda** items subject to the following:
  - 1. Unit owners must use the signup sheet at the beginning of the meeting but may add their name to the list through out the meeting. Names added after the commencement of the meeting may or may not have the opportunity to speak depending upon time limitations.
  - 2. A unit owner can speak **one** (1) time for a maximum of **three** (3) minutes on Agenda items. The Board is not obligated to respond or to debate.
  - 3. While someone is speaking, no one may interrupt that person.
  - 4. Abusive, discriminatory or insulting language will not be tolerated, and offending audience members will be asked to leave the room.
  - 5. Comments shall be restricted to **Agenda** items <u>only</u>. A unit owner does not have the right to speak with respect to items not specifically designated on the Agenda. *However, the Board, at its discretion, may permit a unit owner to speak on such non-Agenda items, after all agenda items have been completed.*
  - 6. All statements shall be directed to the Board as a whole; no person may address or question Board members individually.
  - 7. Failure to comply with these Rules will cause the meeting to be "out of order" and the Board has the right and responsibility to return "order" or to adjourn the meeting.
  - 8. The Board may:
    - a. Prohibit owner comments that are frivolous, repetitive, and/or harassing;
    - b. Interrupt, warn, or terminate an owner's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, off-topic, obscene, or irrelevant;
    - c. Request any owner to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum or is disruptive to the conduct of the meeting;
    - d. Adjourn the meeting to another time if the lack of decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting;
    - e. Waive these rules with the approval of the Board when necessary for the protection of privacy or the administration of the Board's business.
- B. Once all potential speakers have been heard, the Board meeting will continue with the agenda items in order. At that point, the only ones permitted to talk are the elected members of the Board, who will address agenda items.
  - 1. If discussion has gone on overlong on any one item, any member of the Board may "Call the Question" meaning a request for end to discussion on an item, to allow a vote. A second member must Second this, and if so, the Board votes, with the majority choosing to either end discussion and vote or continue discussion

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors on this 13 day of January, 2020

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