

TOWN OF SEYMOUR
RULES GOVERNING RECORDING, PHOTOGRAPHY, OR THE USE OF
SUCH BROADCASTING EQUIPMENT AT TOWN MEETINGS

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-200, et seq. and an order of the Freedom of Information Commission (dated 12/13/06, case #FIC 2005-617), the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Seymour hereby adopts the following rules effective September 5, 2012:

1. Any Town of Seymour public proceedings may be recorded, photographed, broadcast, or recorded for broadcast including, but not limited to, audio or video recording;
2. Any recording, radio, television, or photographic equipment may be so located within the meeting room as to permit the recording (broadcasting either by radio, or by television, or by both), or the photographing of the proceedings of such public agency;
3. The photographer and its personnel, or the person recording the proceedings, is required to handle the photographing, broadcasting, or recording as inconspicuously as possible and in such a manner as to not disturb the proceedings of the public agency;
4. Video recorders are to be operated without artificial lighting other than that normally present in the meeting room;
5. Use of still cameras is permitted provided flash attachments are used with discretion and do not present an unnecessary disruption of the proceedings;
6. Microphones for audio recording may be placed on any table or podium from which board members, staff members, town counsel or members of the public speak, provided that such microphones are in place before the meeting is called to order and promptly removed during recess or after adjournment of the meeting;
8. All persons who are recording, photographing, or broadcasting may not block the view of any persons in attendance; and
9. Any recording, photographing, or broadcasting equipment must be fully set up and in position before the meeting is called to order.
10. Any person speaking at a public meeting of the Board has no right to privacy, and that persons who attend and verbally participate in public meetings must expect to have their statements and images recorded.

9/4/12
Date


Kurt Miller, First Selectman, Town of Seymour