

Madison Valley Public Library
Public Participation Policy

- The Madison Valley Public Library Board invites and welcomes public input at its meetings. The Board generally meets the first Friday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Library Community Room. Meetings are posted on the Library Bulletin Board and at www.ennislib.org 48 hours prior.
- There is an opportunity at every Library Board meeting for public comment; visitors will be recognized and introduced by the Chair during the public comment period. Visitors will be asked to state name, address, and group affiliation (if appropriate) for minute taking purposes. Depending on time constraints, the Chair may impose a time limit per individual for public comment.
- It is recommended that anyone wishing to have a specific item on the agenda notify the Director at least 1 week before the meeting so that time may be reserved for such input. Comments may be given orally or in writing. Written comments should be submitted to the Library Director at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.
- Persons addressing the Board are expected to observe a level of civility and decorum appropriate for a public meeting. The Chair or other presiding officer may terminate any presentation deemed not to adhere to these standards.
- All meetings are held in open session in accordance with Montana's open meeting laws. MCA §§ 2-3-201 through 2-3-221.

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