



Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 1st REGULAR SESSION OF THE 10th SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF ISABELA HELD AT PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, ILAGAN CITY, ISABELA ON JULY 02, 2019.

PRESENT:

FAUSTINO G. DY III	Provincial Vice Governor & Presiding Officer
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RANDOLPH JOSEPH P. ARREOLA	Member (3 rd District)
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AN ORDINANCE ENACTING THE INTERNAL RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE 10TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF ISABELA

Sponsored by: **HON. DELFINITO EMMANUEL L. ALBANO**
Board Member, 1st District & Majority Floor Leader

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Isabela in its session duly assembled.

INTERNAL RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF ISABELA

CHAPTER 1- COMPOSITION

SECTION 1. The composition of this Sanggunian shall be as provided by existing law, specifically under Rule XVII of the Rules and Regulations Implementing the Local Government Code of 1991.

CHAPTER II - OFFICERS

-THE VICE-GOVERNOR

SECTION 2. The Vice-Governor shall be the Presiding Officer of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and as such, shall exercise such powers and perform such duties and functions embodied in Article II, Section 466 of R. A. 7160, the Rules Implementing R.A. 7160, and other laws relative to his position.

Nagkaisa para sa Isabela

SECTION 3. As Presiding Officer the Vice Governor is hereby allowed to be a Chairman of any standing committee. He shall, however, be an ex-officio member of all the standing committees of the Sanggunian. He may be elected chairman of any special or ad hoc committee that the Sanggunian may organize for a specific purpose.

SECTION 4. The Presiding Officer shall be entitled to vote, only to break a tie. He may make brief remarks on matters pertaining to pending debatable questions without expressing himself for or against the question. He may, however, temporarily yield the chair to a temporary presiding officer to enable him to take part in any debate.

SECTION 5. He shall exercise such other powers and functions as may be provided for by law, ordinance, or resolution.

-THE TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER

SECTION 6. In the event of the inability of the regular presiding officer to preside at a session, the Floor Leader shall designate a temporary presiding officer.

SECTION 7. The Sanggunian shall keep an official record of the ranking of its members to determine the hierarchy of succession to the position of regular Presiding Officer in the event of a permanent vacancy in the office or incapacity of the Vice Governor, as provided for by the Local Government Code;

SECTION 8. At the start of the term and assumption to office of the elected and qualified members of the Sanggunian, and for the purpose of selecting a successor in case of permanent vacancy in the Office of the Vice Governor, Section 44 of the Local Government Code shall govern;

-THE FLOOR LEADER

SECTION 9. There shall be elected by the Sanggunian from among its members a "Floor Leader" who shall facilitate the orderly conduct of every business and deliberations on the floor. In his absence, the presiding officer shall appoint from among the members a Temporary Floor Leader.

SECTION 10. In coordination with the Committee on Rules, he shall supervise the preparation of the agenda by the Secretary and determine the inclusion of necessary matters therein;

-THE ASSISTANT FLOOR LEADER

SECTION 11. There shall be an assistant floor leader who shall be elected from among the members present.

-THE SECRETARY

SECTION 12. The Sanggunian shall have a Secretary who shall be appointed by the vice-governor with the concurrence of the Sanggunian. He shall exercise the powers and perform the duties embodied in R.A. 7160, the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. 7160, and other duties as the Sanggunian may designate.

-OTHER OFFICERS

SECTION 13. The Sanggunian Panlalawigan may, when necessary, create positions for other officers as it may deem proper.

CHAPTER III- DUTIES OF MEMBERS

SECTION 14. Every member shall make a full disclosure of his financial and business interests as required of him under Art. 104 Rule XVII of the Rules and Regulations Implementing the Local Government Code of 1991.

SECTION 15. Every member shall attend all regular and special sessions unless he/she is prevented from doing so by reason of sickness or other unavoidable circumstances provided that, as a general rule, previous notice thereto shall be sent to the Sanggunian thru the Presiding Officer or the Secretary.

SECTION 16. As a general rule, every member is required to vote on every question or proposed measure being voted upon by the Sanggunian. Abstentions may only be allowed if it can be shown that the member concerned has a pecuniary or personal interest, either directly or indirectly on the matter being acted upon by the body.

SECTION 17. Abstention, if ever allowed, shall not be considered in computing the majority vote. Since abstention is not a vote and it does not count either way. Mere silence and abstention are not the equivalent of affirmative votes or of negative votes. (Quien Vs. Serina, 17 SCRA 567, 1996; Ortiz Vs. Posadas, 55 Phil. 741; CIS p. 761). This rule does not apply in voting for elective positions, if a member is qualified.

CHAPTER IV - SESSIONS

SECTION 18. All sessions of the Sanggunian, whether regular or special, shall be held at the Session Hall of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan at the FND Hall (Amphitheatre), Capitol Building, Alibagu, Ilagan Isabela, at least once a week, every Tuesday at 9:00 A.M. It shall be public unless a closed door session is required by an affirmative vote of a majority of the Sanggunian members present, for reasons of security, decency or morality. No two (2) sessions, whether regular or special, may be held in a single day. ***Sessions to be held outside and / or other than the regularly designated venue within the Philippines on Official Business maybe held with the concurrence of the majority of the members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in the interest of public service.***

SECTION 19. When public interest so demands, special sessions may be called by the Governor, by the Vice Governor, or by a majority of the members of the Sanggunian.

SECTION 20. A written notice to the Sanggunian members stating the date, time and purpose of the special session shall be served personally or left with a responsible member of his household at his office or regular place of residence at least twenty four (24) hours before the holding of the session.

SECTION 21. Unless otherwise concurred in by two-thirds (2/3) votes of the members present, there being a quorum, no other matter may be considered at a special session except that those stated in the notice.

CHAPTER V - QUORUM

SECTION 22. All Members of the Sanggunian are enjoined to attend, on time, all regular or special sessions as well as committee hearings

SECTION 23. Members are required to wear appropriate attire in attending regular and special sessions.

SECTION 24. A majority of all the members of the Sanggunian shall constitute a quorum to transact business. Should a question of quorum be raised during a session, the presiding officer shall immediately proceed to call the roll of the members and thereafter announce the result. A request or motion to determine the presence of a quorum does not need a "second", and is not debatable.

Section 24-A. The Vice Governor –Chairman shall be included in determining a quorum.

SECTION 25. No session shall be suspended or adjourned except when so directed by the Sanggunian but the presiding officer may, in his discretion declare a recess in short intervals, or suspend or adjourn the session in cases of emergency or when the same becomes unruly or uncontrollable.

CHAPTER VI – ORDER OF BUSINESS

SECTION 26. The agenda shall provide the following order of business:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **NATIONAL ANTHEM AND INVOCATION**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SESSION.**
5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**
6. **QUESTION HOUR (OPTIONAL)**
7. **CALENDAR OF BUSINESS**
 - A. First Reading
 - 1) Referral of ordinances, resolutions and executive orders for review.
 - 2) Proposed ordinances & resolutions
 - 3) Petitions, requests and other communications.
 - B. Second Reading
 - 1) Unfinished Business
 - 2) Business of the Day
 - 3) Committee Reports on Reviewed Measures
 - 4) Committee Reports on Regular Measures
 - C. Third Reading
8. **UNASSIGNED BUSINESS (uncalendared)**
9. **PRIVILEGE HOUR**

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS (if any)

11. ADJOURNMENT

SECTION 27. In coordination with the Floor Leader and the chairman of the Committee on Rules, the Secretary, shall prepare the Calendar of Business and a copy thereof shall be furnished to every member of the Sanggunian not less than one (1) day before the regular session. For the foregoing purpose, the Presiding Officer shall cause the Office of the Secretary to the Sanggunian shall provide suitable administrative support or secretarial services to the Committee on Rules;

SECTION 28. The so-called “three-reading principle” which is adopted in legislative bodies shall be adhered to by the Sanggunian.

SECTION 29. - The Referral of Business shall be considered under the item “**First Reading**”, and shall consist of:

- a) Referrals to committees for review of resolutions, ordinances, and executive orders from the city and municipalities, for the purpose of determining whether these are valid in accordance with Section 56 of RA 7160.
- b) Proposed ordinances/resolutions emanating from the Sanggunian Panlalawigan itself;
- c) Referral to committees of communications, petitions, and requests addressed to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, or to the Vice Governor in his capacity as presiding Officer of the Sanggunian, for appropriate action.

SECTION 30. - The “**Second Reading**”, in the Calendar of Business, refers to item or items scheduled for deliberation proper on and shall include the following:

- 1) Unfinished Business
- 2) Committee Reports on Reviewed Measures
- 3) Committee Reports on Regular measures
- 4) Business of the Day

SECTION 31. At the **Third Reading**, merely the title of the proposed resolution or ordinance is read and the measure voted upon without amendments or debate. However, upon a majority vote of the Sanggunian, resolutions, ordinance and other measures for third reading may be remanded to the Committee for second reading.

SECTION 32. “**Unassigned Business**” refers to the list of proposed legislative measures reported out by the committee but not calendared for discussion as the dates have not yet been determined by the Committee on Rules (p. 125, Local Legislator’s Tool Kit, Local Government Academy, 2004).

SECTION 33. The Chairman may inform the members of other important matters concerning the Sanggunian under the item “**Announcements**”;

SECTION 34. The item "Adjournment" means to end the session. A motion to adjourn is out of order if there are still matters to be taken up in the calendar of business; The motion from the Floor Leader signifies to the members that all calendared matters have been taken up;

SECTION 35. The Order of Business shall contain a brief description of each item of business to be taken up during the session, indicating the origin, in the case of communications, endorsements, petitions, memorials and memoranda; the name of the author, in the case of motions, resolutions, ordinances and executive orders from the component cities of the province.

SECTION 36. The consideration of unfinished business shall be resumed at the start of the deliberation proper of each succeeding session until such unfinished business is finished or otherwise disposed of.

SECTION 37. - On motion to suspend the rules, any item of business may be taken away from their fixed order, and any urgent matter, not included in the order of business, may be considered forthwith by the Sanggunian.

SECTION 38. When the measure to be acted upon by the Sanggunian is "certified as urgent" by the Governor, the Floor Leader shall immediately inform the presiding officer of its priority over all other items of the calendar of business, and shall forthwith move for its inclusion in the appropriate item in the agenda without need of the suspension of the Rules;

SECTION 39. A member who desires to deliver a privilege may refuse to be interpellated by the members of the sanggunian.

CHAPTER VII – VOTES AND VOTING

SECTION 40. - Voting in the Sangguniang shall be done by raising hand or by roll call. In taking the vote, the affirmative shall be taken first, then the negative and lastly, the abstention.

SECTION 40-A. When voting nominally, the Secretary shall call the roll of the members in alphabetical order, and as each name is called, the member shall announce his vote by saying YES or NO, as the case maybe, or ABSTAIN or PRESENT, if not voting. Any member may explain his vote not to exceed 3 minutes. Once the roll call is finished, no request shall be entertained by the Chair to record a vote.

SECTION 41. - To adopt appropriation ordinance or any proposition contracting, indebtedness or increasing an existing indebtedness of the province, the affirmative vote of at least 2/3 (two thirds) of all members of the Sanggunian is necessary. Other measures shall prevail upon the majority vote of the members present at any meeting duly called and held.

SECTION 42. - No member can vote on a question in which he or any member of his family within the third degree of consanguinity has a direct or personal pecuniary interest.

SECTION 43. - A member may change his vote only before the chair announces the result of the voting, thereafter, a member may change his vote only by consent.

SECTION 44. - A member who arrives late at the meeting shall be permitted to vote, provided the result of the voting has not been announced yet by the Chair.

SECTION 45. - No motion, except to question the presence of quorum, shall be entertained during the voting.

SECTION 46. All members of the Sanggunian shall be required to exercise voting as he is representing the people and not necessarily his own self, and as such he shall be required to take a stand, one way or the other, on every issue or measure submitted for decision of Sanggunian.

SECTION 47. Except as otherwise provided in this Internal Rules of Procedure and existing laws, rules and regulations, a vote by a "simple majority" shall prevail on other measures, motions or propositions provided there is a quorum. In parliamentary parlance, the term "simple majority" means one-half plus one ($1/2 + 1$) of the total votes cast by the members present there being a quorum. It might be less than the majority of the entire membership.

CHAPTER XIII- COMMITTEES

SECTION 48. A committee constitutes one or more persons appointed, designated, or elected by the Sanggunian to consider, investigate, or take action on matters or subjects referred to it. A committee shall be composed of one chairman, one vice chairman and members as needed.

SECTION 49. The committee shall have the following powers:

- a) To consider, investigate or take action on matters or subjects referred to them.
- b) To create sub-committees and assign to the latter such function as may be necessary.
- c) To conduct inquiries in aid of legislation.
- d) Such other powers as may be granted by the Sanggunian.

SECTION 50. The Sangguniang, by way of this ordinance shall create not later than the adoption of this Internal Rules of Procedure, the following mandatory standing (a.k.a. regular) committees, and elect the members therein:

1. COMMITTEE ON AGRARIAN REFORM
2. COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
3. COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL
MANAGEMENT

4. COMMITTEE ON AWARDS/CITATIONS/ACCREDITATION
5. COMMITTEE ON BARANGAY AFFAIRS
6. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S AFFAIR
7. COMMITTEE ON COASTAL DEVELOPMENT
8. COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, TRADE AND INDUSTRY
9. COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
10. COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION & CULTURAL AFFAIR
11. COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND GOOD GOVERNMENT
12. COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND APPROPRIATION
13. COMMITTEE ON GAMES AND AMUSEMENT
14. COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SANITATION
15. COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, SUBDIVISION AND LAND USE CLASSIFICATION
16. COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS
17. COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLE (IP)
18. COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND INVESTIGATION
19. COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT
20. COMMITTEE ON LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS
21. COMMITTEE ON LIVELIHOOD AND COOPERATIVES
22. COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT
23. COMMITTEE ON MARKET AND SLAUGHTERHOUSE
24. COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL APPROPRIATIONS
25. COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ECOLOGY
26. COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS & MIGRANT WORKERS WELFARE
27. COMMITTEE ON POWER, ENERGY AND FRANCHISING
28. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SECURITY AND ORDER
29. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
30. COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZEN'S AFFAIR
31. COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL WELFARE AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITY (PWD)
32. COMMITTEE ON SPORTS AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
33. COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
34. COMMITTEE ON TOURISM
35. COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
36. COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S AFFAIRS
37. COMMITTEE ON GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT
38. COMMITTEE ON ANTI DRUG ABUSE

SECTION 51. The different standing committees have fifteen (15) days to submit their reports to the Sanggunian on any matter referred to them, extendible for meritorious reasons.

SECTION 52. A Committee that fails to submit its report on a particular question within the prescribed period, may, through motion, be discharged by the Sanggunian from further consideration of said measure or question. The sanggunian may, through the same motion, assign the measure or question to another committee or submit the question to the Sanggunian as a Committee of the Whole.

SECTION 53. A Committee Report shall be adopted formally and the members signing the report shall be presumed to have concurred in the report and shall be precluded from opposing it on the floor, unless he/she has entered his/her objections to the Committee Report or, in lieu thereof, has filed with the Secretary his dissenting vote in writing before the report is submitted to the Sanggunian in open session. A majority of the members objecting/dissenting to a report shall be deemed a negative report.

SECTION 54. The committee report consisting of the findings/recommendations of the majority of a committee shall be made by its chairman, or if he/she dissents with the majority opinion, by any committee member concurring therein and duly designated for the purpose. If the recommendation is favorable, this shall be communicated to the Committee on Rules through the Secretary who shall calendar the measure for second reading, under the item, "Committee Reports" otherwise it shall be considered a negative report. Committee Reports shall be rendered, first, by the standing committees listed in the Rules of the Sanggunian, then by the special committees, in the order of their creation.

SECTION 55. - All Committees shall report to the Sanggunian on every matter referred to them by the Presiding Officer. When a measure is referred to two or more standing committees, the Committees concerned may submit a joint or separate report thereon.

SECTION 56. - Special or ad hoc committees may be created by the Sanggunian for special purposes and as the need for them arises. They shall cease to exist as soon as they have submitted their reports. They are subject to the same rules governing standing committees.

SECTION 57. - Whenever vacancy occurs in any of the standing committees, the same may be filled in by a majority vote of all members of the Sanggunian.

SECTION 58. No person other than members of the Sanggunian shall be made a member of any regular committee.

SECTION 59. No member shall participate in the committee's deliberations if he/she has a direct or indirect personal or pecuniary interest on the matter being handled by that committee.

SECTION 60. No Tax ordinance or revenue measure shall be enacted by this Sanggunian in the absence of a public hearing duly conducted by the committee concerned.

SECTION 61. A majority of all the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum to do business.

CHAPTER IX – LEGISLATION

SECTION 62. Legislative actions of a general and a permanent character shall be enacted in the form of an ordinance while those which are ministerial or administrative in nature, or of temporary character shall be adopted in the form of resolutions.

SECTION 63. Proposed ordinances or resolutions shall be submitted to the secretary in writing and shall contain an assigned number, a title or caption, an enacting or ordaining clause, and the date of effectivity. In addition, every proposed ordinance shall be accompanied by a brief explanatory note containing the justification for its approval. The brief explanatory note shall be signed by the author or authors and submitted to the Secretary who shall include them in the agenda for the next session.

THREE READINGS

SECTION 64. Before an ordinance or a resolution may be finally voted upon by the Sanggunian, it shall undergo three readings as follows:

- a) First reading, which shall consist of the reading of the secretary of the title of the proposed ordinance or resolution and the name of its author or authors after which it shall be referred by the presiding officer to the appropriate committees without debate.
- b) Second reading, at which the proposed ordinance or resolution after having been sponsored on the floor by the committee chairman or by any committee chairman or by any committee member designated for the purpose, shall be read in full in the manner recommended by the committee or committees, whereupon the measure shall be subjected, first, to debate, and then to amendments, and to all proper parliamentary motion.
- c) All resolutions/ordinances calendared on second reading shall be accompanied with a draft containing the title of the measure and name of principal authors and co-authors.
- d) Third reading, at which merely the title of the proposed resolution or ordinance is read and the measure voted upon without amendments or debate. However, upon a majority vote of the Sanggunian, resolutions or ordinance for third reading may be remanded to the Committee for second reading.
- e) All resolutions calendared on third reading shall be presented in its final form.

SECTION 65. No ordinance or resolution shall be considered on second reading unless reported out by the proper committee, except those certified as urgent by the governor or by at least three-fourths (3/4) of the members of the Sanggunian.

SECTION 66. The secretary shall prepare copies of the proposed ordinance or resolution in the form it was passed on second reading, a copy of which shall be distributed to each member of the Sanggunian at least 24 hours before it is voted upon for final approval.

SECTION 67. The procedures set forth under Section 64 hereof, shall be followed and observed except when the Governor certifies, or when three fourths (3/4) of all the members of the Sanggunian attest to the urgency of a proposed ordinance or resolution.

SECTION 68. In a proposed ordinance or resolution resulting from a consolidation or substitution made by a committee, there shall be named as authors therein every member who had signed the proposed ordinance or resolution which were consolidated or substituted in the order shown therein.

SECTION 69. In case of an erroneous reference of a measure to a committee, the same may be corrected at a subsequent meeting after the reading of the minutes containing the referral, by a majority of the Sanggunian, upon motion of the chairman of the committee claiming the erroneous reference.

SECTION 70. Motions may be presented in writing and considered according to the rules prescribed for ordinances and resolutions, provided, however, that any motion, which in the opinion of the Sanggunian may be voted upon without reference to any committee may be considered immediately for final action. An urgent motion, if substantive in character and presented orally shall, if approved, shall be written out by the secretary in resolution or ordinance form, as the case may be.

SECTION 71. Any legislative matter, duly certified by the governor as urgent, whether or not it is included in the calendar of business, and without the need of suspending the rules, be presented and considered by the Sanggunian at the same meeting. An urgent matter is one which involves great public interests, the delay of which shall prejudice essential government activities.

SECTION 72. Every ordinance or resolution shall take effect upon compliance with the requirements embodied in R.A. 7160 and its Implementing Rules.

SECTION 73. All measures shall be filed and recorded, and the proposed, as well as approved ordinances and resolutions shall, likewise be recorded and consecutively numbered throughout the fiscal year.

Section 73-A. Record of Proceedings - The Sanggunian shall keep a "journal and record" of its proceedings which may be published upon resolution of majority of members thereof.

Section 73-B. Minutes - In addition to the "journal of proceedings" which is required by the law (RA 7160) to be kept, the sanggunian, thru its Secretary, shall also record its proceeding in the form of a "minutes" which shall be submitted by the secretary to the Sanggunian for appropriate action.

CHAPTER IX- APPROVAL AND VETO POWER

SECTION 74. The approval of an ordinance by the Governor, or the exercise of his veto power shall be governed by the following rules:

- a. Every ordinance enacted by the Sanggunian shall be presented to the Governor for his approval. If he approves the same he shall affix his signature on each and every page thereof, otherwise, he shall veto it and return the same with his objections forthwith to the Sanggunian, which may proceed to reconsider the same. The Sanggunian may override the said veto by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all its members thereby making the ordinance or resolution effective for all legal intents and purposes;
- b. The veto shall be communicated by the Governor to the Sanggunian within fifteen (15) days; otherwise, the ordinance shall be deemed approved as if he had signed it.

- c. The Governor may veto any ordinance of the Sanggunian on the ground that it is "*ultra vires*" or prejudicial to the public welfare and interest, stating his reasons therefore in writing.
- d. The Governor shall have power to veto any particular item or items of an appropriation ordinance, an ordinance or resolution adopting a local development plan and public investment program formulated by the local development council, or an ordinance directing the payment of money or creating liability. In such a case, the veto shall not affect the item or items which are not objected to. The vetoed item or items shall not take effect unless the Sanggunian overrides the veto in the manner as provided in this section. Otherwise, the item or items in the appropriation ordinance of the previous year corresponding to those vetoed, if any shall be deemed re-enacted.

SECTION 75. The Governor may veto an ordinance or resolution only once. The Sanggunian may override the said veto by two-thirds (2/3) vote of all its members, thereby making the ordinance or resolution effective even without the approval of the local chief executive.

CHAPTER X – DECORUM

SECTION 76. A member desiring to speak must first raise his hand and address the chair "Mr. Chairman" or Mr. Presiding Officer. Only upon recognition by the chair may he/she be allowed to speak.

SECTION 77. No member shall be allowed to interrupt another member who has the floor, except to raise a "point of order" or a "question of privilege". When a member raises a "point to order", he/she must state his/her point concisely and definitely, citing the reasons therefore, such as procedural lapses, irrelevant arguments or improper language. "Question of privilege", that is, a question pertaining to the rights, privileges, character, or reputation of the Sanggunian, or of any of its members, may be raised anytime. Whenever "points of order" or "question of privilege" are raised, the Chair shall decide the matters raised without debate, although he may consult the body for opinion.

SECTION 78. - Before addressing the Sanggunian a member may raise his/her hand even without standing, to signify to the Floor Leader his/her request, and to invite the attention of the Chairman that he/she desires to speak. The member can speak only after a member has yielded the floor. When two or more members raise their hands at the same time, the member whose name is called first by the chair shall be entitled to the floor. The presiding officer shall be the only authority to recognize any member by announcing the latter's name as a sign of recognition. The Floor leader shall assist the Chairman in this regard. The Presiding Officer shall be addressed as "Mr. Chairman", or its equivalent, while the members of the board shall be referred to by their official title, "The Honorable Board Member _____", or the Gentleman from the _____ district, or the "Honorable _____".

CHAPTER XI - DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

SECTION 79. The Sanggunian may, in its discretion, exercise its inherent authority to censure, reprimand, or expel, exclude from the session hall or suspend a member for not more than sixty days, for disorderly behavior, or unjustifiable absences for four (4) consecutive sessions, Provided, however, that the suspension or expulsion shall require the concurrence of at least, two thirds (2/3) vote of all members, Provided, further, that a member convicted by a final judgment of imprisonment for at least (1) year of any crime involving moral turpitude shall be automatically expelled from the Sanggunian. For purposes of this section, disorderly behavior may refer to acts that obstruct, delay, or impede the business of the day.

CHAPTER XII - REVIEW POWER

SECTION 80. All ordinances and resolutions, and executive orders of component cities and municipalities submitted to the Sanggunian for review shall be recorded by the secretary, who shall forthwith include the same in the agenda for referral the succeeding session.

SECTION 81. The Committee on Rules shall recommend the Committee to which a measure may be assigned by the presiding officer for the review, with the concurrence of the Sanggunian.

SECTION 82. When a committee has reported out on the measure assigned to it, the Secretary shall transmit the favorable action to the Committee on Rules, who, in coordination with the Floor Leader, shall cause the inclusion of the same in the calendar of the next session for "Second Reading", during which time the said "Report" may be adopted or rejected. Should there be an objection from a member who is not a member of the reporting committee, the measure shall be subjected to a period of debate and other motions, after which the Sangguniang shall vote to validate or invalidate the same;

SECTION 83. All reviewed measures from lower Sanggunian reported out on "Second Reading", where the reports have been unanimously approved and adopted shall be recorded as Finished Business, without passing through a "third reading" phase, and thereafter the Secretary shall transmit the approval and validation of the measure by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to the respective municipality or city of origin. Invalidated measures shall likewise be forthwith returned with the recommendation and findings of the Committee showing the reason for their invalidation;

SECTION 84. The Sanggunian has thirty (30) days after receipt of copies of ordinances and resolutions, to act thereon. If no action is taken by the Sanggunian within the said period, the same shall be presumed consistent with law, and therefore, valid. The thirty day (30) reglamentary period shall be interrupted by the assignment of the measure to a committee for review.

SECTION 85. Under its power to review, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, shall either officially approve or disapprove the following:

1. All Ordinances;
2. Resolutions approving the Local Development Plan;
3. Resolutions approving Public Investment Programs formulated by the Local Development Council;

The comment, "Noted", is insufficient, but may be ascribed to ordinary resolutions;

CHAPTER XIII - INVITATIONS AND SUMMONSES

SECTION 86. All invitations, summonses and subpoenas to government agencies or individuals, whether natural or juridical, shall be coursed through the secretary, bearing the approval of the Sanggunian if the appearance is before the plenary, or by a majority of the members, if the appearance is before the committee.

CHAPTER XIV – SUPPLEMENTARY RULES

SECTION 87. The rules of procedures and parliamentary practices of the Philippine Congress and books dealing on this subject written by Filipino authors, particularly by Antonio Orendain Reynaldo Fajardo and Reverendo M. Dihan, and the Local Legislator's Tool Kit 2004 Edition, published by the Local Government Academy shall serve as authorities in supplementary character of the Sanggunian but only in so far only as they are not incompatible with the rules and procedures adopted herein.

CHAPTER XV - REPEALING CLAUSE

SECTION 88. All other ordinances and resolutions inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed or amended accordingly.

CHAPTER XVI - EFFECTIVITY

SECTION 89. - This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Sanggunian.



RESOLVED FINALLY, to furnish copies of this ordinance to the **HON. RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Provincial Governor, The HON. FAUSTINO G. DY III, Provincial Vice Governor,** and the **Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan;** the **Provincial Director ENGR. CORAZON D. TORIBIO, CESO V, DILG Capitol, Alibagu, Ilagan, Isabela,** the **Regional Director JONATHAN PAUL M. LEUSEN, JR. CESO III, DILG, Regional Office No. 02, Tuguegarao City** for their information and guidance.

ENACTED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN, PROVINCE OF ISABELA IN ITS REGULAR SESSION HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF JULY, 2019.

I HEREBY ATTEST TO THE GENUINENESS AND AUTHENTICITY of the foregoing Ordinance:


ATTY. FRANCIS JAMES E. MEER
Secretary, Sangguniang Panlalawigan

ATTESTED:


FAUSTINO G. DY III
Provincial Vice Governor & Presiding Officer 

APPROVED:


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Provincial Governor 