

**TOWN OF PINE LAKE
ONEIDA COUNTY**

**ORDINANCE FOR THE REGULATION AND USE OF
FIREARMS, OTHER WEAPONS AND FIREWORKS (2023)**

The Town Board of the Town of Pine Lake, Oneida County, Wisconsin, has the authority under ss. 66.0409(3)(b), 60.22(1), and 943.13(1m)(c)4, Wis. Stats., to adopt this ordinance.

SECTION I. DEFINITIONS.

- a). **Firearm.** Any weapon which acts by force of gunpowder
- b). **Other Dangerous Weapon.** Includes air guns, BB guns, bow and arrow, crossbow, slingshot, blowgun and other similar weapons
- c). **Carry.** To go armed with firearms, etc.
- d). **Sport Shooting Range.** An area designed and operated for the practice of weapons used in hunting, skeet shooting and similar sport shooting.
- e). **Peace Officer.** Any person vested by law with a duty to maintain public order or to make arrests for crime, whether that duty extends to all crimes or is limited to specific crimes. "Peace officer" includes a commission warden and a university police officer, as defined in s.175.42(1)(b).
- f). **Wisconsin law enforcement officer.** Any person employed by this state or any political subdivision of this state, for the purpose of detecting and preventing crime and enforcing laws or ordinances and who is authorized to make arrests for violations of the laws or ordinances he or she is employed to enforce.

SECTION II. REGULATION AND USE OF FIREARMS AND OTHER WEAPONS

- a). **Discharging firearms and other weapons.** No person except a peace officer and/or Wisconsin law enforcement officer shall discharge any firearm or other dangerous weapon within 200 yards of adjoining property owner's residence, except where said use is required for the protection of person or property.
- b). **Intoxicated person.** No person in a state of intoxication shall go armed in the town with any firearm, whether loaded or unloaded.
- c). **Town buildings and property.** The carrying of firearms in any part of any building or property owned, occupied, or controlled by the town, excluding any building or portion of a building under s.175.60(16)(a), Wis stats., is prohibited. The town shall provide notice to all actors not to enter or remain in the building while carrying a firearm. The town shall post and maintain a sign in a prominent place near each of the entrances to the part of each building to which the prohibition applies.

SECTION III. USE OF EXPLOSIVES

No person except a licensed explosives expert shall use high explosives within the Town without the permission of the Town Board. No person shall store high explosives in the Town of Pine Lake.

SECTION IV. SALE AND USE OF FIREWORKS

Section 167.10 Wisconsin Statute exclusive of penalty provisions, is adopted by reference and made a part of this code.

SECTION V. FIREWORKS PERMITS

The applicant for any fireworks permit shall pay the sum as found in the Schedule of Fees and Penalties and payable to the Town of Pine Lake. Each applicant shall be required to provide proof of insurance or an indemnity bond with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.00 prior to issuing the permit as allowed in Section 167.10(3)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

SECTION VI. ISSUING AGENTS

Pursuant to Section 167.10(3)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes – the Town of Pine Lake Fire Department or Town Clerk are designated as the issuing agents.

SECTION VII. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTY

This ordinance may be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the state of Wisconsin.

Violation of the provision of the Sections and Subsections of this ordinance shall be punished by a forfeiture as stated in the Schedule of Fees and Penalties.

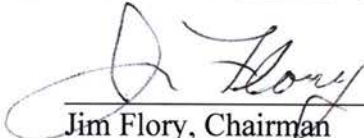
SECTION VIII. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

SECTION IX. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance is effective on publication or posting.


Adopted this 20th day of Sept., 2023.



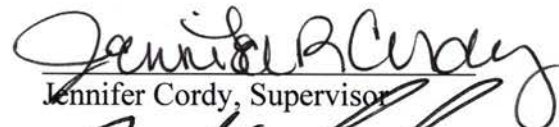
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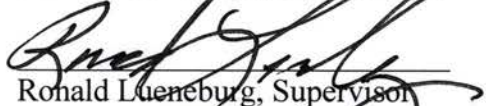
Brian Gehrig, Supervisor



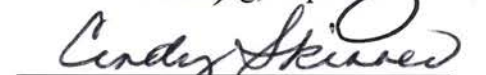
Timothy Oestreich, Supervisor



Jennifer Cordy, Supervisor



Ronald Lueneburg, Supervisor



Attest by: Cindy Skinner, Clerk