

ORDINANCE NO. 674

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 26, ARTICLE I, SEC.26-2 OF THE WAUSHARA COUNTY CODE

WHEREAS, the Waushara County Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance 31 restricting hunting near certain town roads, which is codified as Chapter 26, Article I, Section 26-2 of the Waushara County Code; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff has advised that he has received reports of people hunting on County owned property where communication towers are located; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff is concerned about the cost associated with replacing and/or repairing communication equipment damaged by stray bullets or people hunting on such property; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute Section 29.038(2)(b) allows the County to adopt an ordinance prohibiting hunting/trapping on any property owned or leased by the County; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee has reviewed the matter and shares the concerns of the Sheriff.

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain as follows, amending Chapter 26, Article I, Section 26-2 of the Waushara County Code:

Sec. 26-2. – Hunting **& trapping** ~~bear or deer~~ **prohibited**, penalty for violation of section.

- (a) ~~It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt deer or bear in any manner or at any time from within 200 feet from any lettered or numbered town road, upon which the town is receiving state gas tax money, in the county during the gun deer season.~~
- (b) **All Hunting and Trapping activities are prohibited on all property owned by the County.**
- (c) Any person who violates, disobeys, neglects or refuses to comply with, or to restrict the enforcement of the provisions of this section, shall, upon conviction, forfeit not less than ~~\$10.00~~**\$50.00**, nor more than ~~\$25.00~~**\$500.00** for each offense, together with the costs of prosecution and ~~shall~~ **may** be imprisoned in the county jail until such forfeiture and costs are paid, but in no case to exceed 30 days for each violation.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect upon publication.

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Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____ [X] Voice Vote

☒ Approved and adopted this 21st day of March, 2023

☐ Denied this 21st day of March, 2023.

Approved as to Form:

/s/ Ruth Zouski
Ruth Zouski
Corporation Counsel

Submitted by:

/s/ John Jarvis
John Jarvis, Chair
Public Safety Committee

Attest:

/s/ Megan Kapp
Megan Kapp
Waushara County Clerk

Signed by:

/s/ John Jarvis
John Jarvis, Chair
Waushara County Board of Supervisors