

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
DOUGLAS COUNTY
TOWN OF OAKLAND**

ORDINANCE NO 2012-2

REVISED 2022-12

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES

PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY

The purpose of this ordinance is to warn and protect the traveling public when the road is unsafe to travel or the roadbed is significantly deteriorated. The Town Board of the Town of Oakland, Douglas County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority under s. 86.06, Wis. Stats. to adopt this ordinance. This ordinance, adopted by a majority of the town board on a roll call vote with a quorum present and voting and proper notice having been given, establishes the authority to close roads as follows:

SECTION 1 – THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE:

The town chairperson, or his or her designee, may close any town road or portion thereof. The conditions causing closure, may include, but are not limited to, safety to the public, weakness of the roadbed due to deterioration, climate conditions, flooding, fires, vehicle accidents, construction, or other special or temporary conditions.

SECTION 2 - THE ERECTION OF SIGNS:

The town chairperson, or his or her designee, shall erect signs as required under s. 86.06, Wis. stats. The restrictions are in effect immediately upon erection of signs.

SECTION 3 - PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS:

No person shall operate any vehicles on the highways of the Town of Oakland in violation of road closure without a written special permit issued as below and any violation shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Section 86.06, Wisconsin Statutes.

In addition, the town board may seek injunctive relief from a court of record to enjoin further violations.

SECTION 4 - PERMIT TO ALLOW ROAD USE:

The Town Chairman, or his or her designee, shall be authorized to issue a special permit granting a person the privilege of using a closed road as specified. A permit must

be applied for in writing. Special permits may be issued only on an occasional basis for a non-routine traffic where no other practical alternative exists.

SECTION 5 – EXCLUSIONS:

Persons having dwellings, traveling to businesses, or needing access to animals or pasture, may be exempt from the closure. Signs such as “local traffic only”, “residential traffic only” or the equivalent will indicate this exemption.

Municipal owned vehicles, road maintenance equipment, Fire and EMS vehicles are exempt from the closure.

SECTION 5 – SEVERABILITY:

If a court of competent jurisdiction adjudges any section, clause, provision or portion of this ordinance unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions shall not be affected.

This ordinance is effective on [publication or posting or December 13, 2022.

The town clerk shall properly post or publish this ordinance as required under s. 60.80, Wis. stats.

Adopted this 13th day of December, 2022

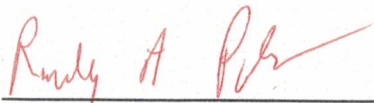
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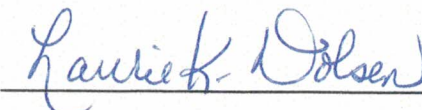
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