

TOWN OF GREENVILLE
ORDINANCE REGULATING FARM ANIMALS

ORDINANCE 11

WHEREAS, the Town of Greenville Town Board has been granted village powers by the electors at a duly noticed annual town meeting, in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes Section 60.10 (2) (c), and has the power granted to village in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes Section 60.22 (3).

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest and welfare to regulate the keeping of farm animals in certain areas in the Town of Greenville, as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Greenville, Outagamie County, Wisconsin does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1 STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Section 60.22 (3) the Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Greenville, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, hereby regulates the keeping of farm animals in certain areas in the Town of Greenville, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, as described herein.

SECTION 2 PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate the keeping of farm animals within certain areas in the Town of Greenville, Outagamie County, Wisconsin.

SECTION 3 DEFINITIONS

- a. "Farm animals": are defined as horses, cows, pigs, goats, sheep, ducks, chickens, geese. etc.
- b. "Owner" shall include owner, owners, tenants, lessees and/or occupants.

SECTION 4 RESTRICTIONS ON FARM ANIMALS:

- a. No farm animal shall be raised, harbored, cared or provided for on any parcel of land in the Town of Greenville in the following areas:
 - i. Within the boundaries of the Greenville Sanitary District.
 - ii. Within any platted subdivision.
 - iii. Within any residential zoned area.
 - iv. **Three (3) acres minimum of land required for one (1) horse or pony plus one (1) acre for each additional horse or pony.**

SECTION 5 SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS:

Farm animals may be kept in the areas as set forth in Section 4 if a special exception is granted. The special exception shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance 7.11, Special Exceptions, in the Greenville Zoning Ordinance. The procedure set forth in said section shall be followed. The Special Exception shall be decided upon as set forth in Ordinance 7.11 by the Planning Commission, with right of appeal to the Board of Appeals.

SECTION 6 PENALTY:

The Town of Greenville does hereby determine that the keeping of said animals in the above described areas is a nuisance. Any person violating this ordinance shall be notified by certified mail by the appropriate official from the Town of Greenville, to remove the farm animal within a five (5) day period. If the farm animal is not removed with said five (5) day period, the Town shall assess a penalty of \$50 for each day that the farm animal remains after the five (5) day period. Further, the Town shall proceed in the Circuit Court for Outagamie County to obtain an injunction removing said farm animal. The Town shall seek an order for removal of said farm animal, and the farm animal shall be destroyed, and the cost of removal and destruction of said farm animal shall be assessed against the owner of the real estate on which the farm animal is located. The Town shall further collect its costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, for all action under this ordinance.

SECTION 7 EFFECTIVE DATE:

This ordinance shall become effective the day after publication as provided by law.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville, on the 21st day of January, 1998.

Filed this _____ day of October,
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