

**TOWN OF JACKSONPORT
DOOR COUNTY, WI
ORDINANCE NO. 01-2020
REQUIREMENT FOR FIRE INSPECTIONS**

The Town Board of the Town of Jacksonport, Door County, WI, pursuant to its village powers and section SPS 314.01 (13), Wis. Administrative Code, in order to preserve and protect the public interest, welfare, and public safety, do ordain as follows:

(1) **Building Inspections.**

(a) The town fire chief shall inspect or cause to be inspected at least twice each year all buildings and premises, except the interior of private dwellings, for the purpose of ascertaining and causing to be corrected any conditions liable to cause fire or any violations of the provisions or intent of any ordinance of the town or county affecting the fire hazard and exits in accordance with WI Admin Code SPS 314.01(13).

(b) The town board may contract with the Sturgeon Bay WI Fire Department or other qualified Fire Department to perform such inspections.

(2) **Correction of hazardous conditions.**

(a) *Combustible material; obstructions.* Whenever any inspector shall find in any building or upon any premises combustible waste material or explosive matter which is so situated as to endanger property or shall find in any building or structure obstructions to or on fire escapes, stairs, passageways, doors or windows liable to interfere with the operations of the fire department or egress of occupants in case of fire, he/she shall order the same to be removed or remedied, in accordance with § 66.0413, Wis. Stats.

(b) *Defective buildings.*

(1) When any inspector shall find any building or other structure which for want of repairs, lack of sufficient fire escapes, automatic or other fire alarm apparatus or fire extinguishing equipment, or by reason of age or dilapidated conditions or from any other cause, is especially liable to fire and which is so situated as to endanger other property or the occupants thereof, and whenever such inspector shall find conditions or materials in any building dangerous to the safety of such building or the occupants thereof, he/she shall order such dangerous conditions or materials to be removed or remedied.

(2) If in any existing building exits are necessary or where repairs to any structural part of such building or structure are required, the fire inspector shall notify the building inspector, who shall re-inspect such building or structure for compliance, and thereafter instituting the proper enforcement action and remedies as may be required.

(c) *Orders.*

(1) *Service.* Any orders under this section shall be served in writing upon the occupant and owner of the premises. If the owner or occupant of the premises cannot be found, such written order shall be affixed in a conspicuous place on the entrance door to such building or structure or on the premises. Thereafter a copy of such order shall be mailed to the owner and occupant addressed to their last known post office address. No person shall remove such affixed notice without the written consent of the fire chief.

(2) *Compliance.* Any such order shall forthwith be complied with by the owner and occupant of such building, structure or premises. The owner or occupant may within 24 hours appeal to the fire chief for a review of such order, who shall thereafter as soon as possible file his/her decision. Unless such order is revoked or modified by the fire chief, it shall remain in full force and be complied with within the time fixed in such order.

(d) *Inspection fees; Special Charge.*

(1) If after a regular fire inspection, violation(s) of this ordinance or of the fire codes applicable to the building are noted and order(s) are issued which require a re-inspection, and the owner fails to comply with any order prior to the time of re-inspection, a fee of \$75.00 shall be due and payable. If the inspector returns to the property for a second or subsequent re-inspection and all of the violations have not been corrected, then an additional fee of \$75.00 shall be due and payable for each such additional re-inspection.

(2) Re-inspection fees that are not timely paid after invoice is mailed to the owner of the property affected by the violation(s) shall be entered on the tax roll as a special charge against the property pursuant to section 66.0627, Wis. Stat., and subject to Chapter 74, Wis. Stat. for the collection and settlement thereof.

(3) Exceptions.

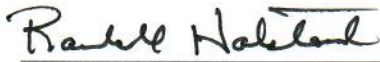
(a) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, whether exempted above, or whether exempted by the terms of WI Adm. Code SPS 314.01 (b), (c) (5) to (8), and (d), if any building or structure is especially liable to fire and is so situated as to endanger other buildings or property or contains any combustible or explosive material dangerous to the safety of any building or premises or the occupants thereof, or endangering or hindering firefighters in case of fire, such building or structure shall be subject to these orders and this ordinance so far as may be necessary to protect adjoining or other buildings and their occupants and firefighters.

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(4) Effective Date.

Following passage by the Town Board, this ordinance shall take effect the day after the date of publication or posting as provided by Section 60.80, Wis. Stats.

Adopted this 28th day of January, 2020



Randall Halstead, Town Chairman



Tim Bley, Town Supervisor



Tom Wilson, Town Supervisor

ATTEST:



Theresa Cain-Bieri, Town Clerk-treasurer

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VOTE: Ayes _____ Noes _____