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TOWN OF BRADLEY ORDINANCE # 000674

SECTION 1: TITLE

An Ordinance creating Chapter 10 of the "Town of Bradley General Code", regulating boating upon certain waters in the Town of Bradley.

SECTION 2: AMENDMENT

A) The "Town of Bradley General Code" Chapter 10 is created as follows:

Chapter 10: AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE BOATING UPON CERTAIN WATERS IN THE TOWN OF BRADLEY,

10.10 Applicability and Enforcement.

A. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to certain navigable waters in the Town of Bradley.

B. This chapter may be enforced by the Town Board; or those designated by the Town Board for such purposes; the Town's employees, or agents; and by any duly authorized law enforcement officer.

10.20 Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide for the public's health, safety or welfare, including the public's interest in preserving the state's natural resources, as they may relate to boating and speed of operation in the Town of Bradley. In enacting this ordinance, the town board has taken into account various factors that include all of the following:

- A. The type, size, shape and depth of the body of water and any features of special environmental significance that the body of water has.
- B. The amount, type and speed of boating traffic on the body of water, and boating safety and congestion.
- C. The degree to which the boating traffic on the body of water affects other recreational uses and the public's health, safety and welfare, including the public's interest in preserving the state's natural resources.

10.30 Authorization. The town board is authorized to enact such ordinance pursuant to s. 30.77 Stats.

10.40 Definitions.

- A. "Slow-No-Wake" means the speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control.
- B. The definitions contained in s. 30.50 Stats., as amended from time to time, are adopted by reference herein, as if set forth at length.

10.50 Controlled Area.

No person shall operate a boat faster than "slow-no-wake", in the following waters in the Town of Bradley:

The channel area connecting the North end of Deer Lake to Bridge Lake in the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 1; and the E 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 2, all in Township 35 North, Range 6 East.

10.60 Posting Requirements.

The Town of Bradley shall place and maintain a copy of this ordinance at all public access points on Deer Lake and Bridge Lake, within the jurisdiction of the Town, and at the Town Hall.

10.70 Penalties.

Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall forfeit not more than \$50.00 for the first offense, and shall forfeit not more than \$100 upon conviction of the same offense a second or subsequent time within one year, as measured from date of violation.

10.80 Severability.

The provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed severable. If any provisions of this ordinance or the application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provisions to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.

SECTION 4: This proposed Ordinance was submitted to the Department of Natural Resources for advisory review, as required by s. 30.77 Stats., on 7-1, 2000.

This ordinance was passed on the 14 day of August, 2000.

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Condition Report for Slow No Wake Zone
Between Deer Lake and Bridge Lake

1. The request is being made because the narrows in that area are 16 feet wide and approximately three feet deep during high water. During low water (as now exists) the channel is approximately 12 feet wide and 16" deep. At no time is it wide enough for boats and sea-dos to be passing through at regular speeds. . Warnings have been given by the DNR in the past, but that has not alleviated the problem. On weekends there are in excess of 50 watercraft going through the narrows at unsafe speeds. There are six piers plus a handicap ramp protruding into the channel, which these watercraft cannot stay the legal distance from considering the width of the channel.
2. By having a "slow no wake zone" in this channel should slow down the watercrafts speed.
3. There are no negative effects as the width of the channel is too narrow at high water for watercraft to legally navigate unless they are at "no wake " speed.
4. Public health, safety and the welfare of the landowners and boaters are at risk without this ordinance. This will protect all from possible accidents.
5. Everyone in the area that have been approached concerning this ordinance were in favor of the buoys being placed in the channel as they all have safety concerns