

ORDINANCE NO.

The Town Board of the Town of Stephenson do ordain as follows:

1: Intent. The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public needs and the capability of water resources.

2: Time Restriction. Motor boat operation, including water skiing, in excess of slow-no-wake shall be permitted only between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. All motor boats are restricted to the speed of slow-no-wake between the hours of 5:00 P.M. and 10:00 A.M. "Slow-no-wake" is defined as the slowest possible speed so as to maintain steerage.

3: Tow Lines: Any tow rope shall not exceed seventy-five (75) feet in length.

4: Traffic Lane.

A) Except as provided in Sub-section C of Section 4, a person may operate a motor boat within one hundred (100) feet of any dock, raft, pier, or buoyed restricted area on any lake at a speed in excess of slow-no-wake speed.

B) No person may operate a motor boat repeatedly in a circuitous course around any other boat, or around any other person who is swimming, if such circuitous course is within two hundred (200) feet of such boat or swimmer; nor shall any boat or water skier operate or approach closer than one hundred (100) feet to any skin divers flag or any swimmer unless the boat is part of the skin diving operation or is accompanying the swimmer, or unless physical conditions make compliance impossible.

C) No boat towing persons engaged in water skiing, aqua planing or similar activity on any lake shall engage in such activity within one hundred (100) feet of any occupied anchored boat or marked swimming area or public boat landing, except where pickup and drop areas are established and marked with regulatory markers.

5: Direction. All motor boats shall operate in a counter-clockwise direction between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

6: Negligent Operation. No person shall operate or handle a motor boat in such a manner as to unreasonably annoy, unnecessarily frighten or endanger the occupants of his motor boat or other boats. No person shall operate or handle a motor boat at any time in a careless, negligent, or reckless manner so as to endanger the life or property of another.

7: Lakes Affected. This ordinance shall apply only to the following lakes, to-wit: Left Foot Lake, Little Newton Lake and Big Newton Lake. *Whitcomb*

8: Definition. For the purpose of this ordinance, "motor boat" means any boat propelled by machinery, whether or not such machinery is the principle source of propelltion. *Defined in town Ord. 200-10*

9: Penalty. Any person who violates this ordinance shall forfeit not more than \$50.00 or, in default of payment, shall be imprisoned not more than thirty days. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

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Chairman

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Clerk