TOWN OF RIB LAKE ORDINANCE

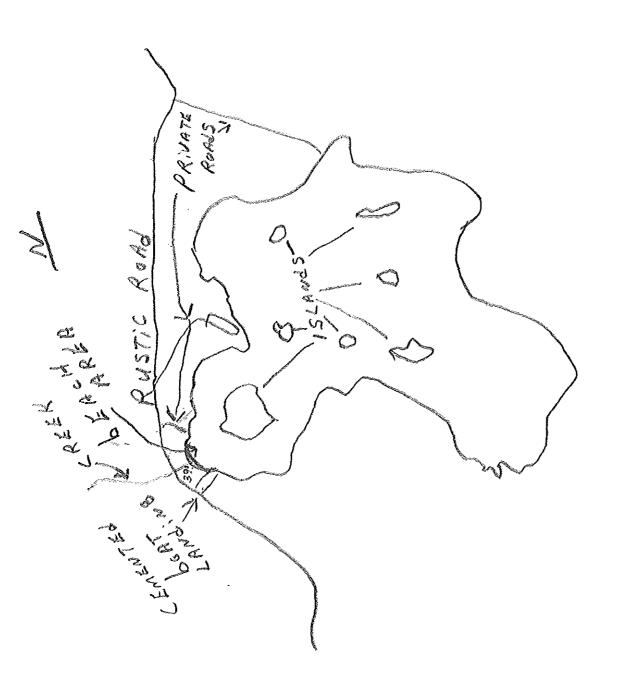
A Sole Ordinance to Regulate Water Traffic Boating and Water Sports upon the Waters of South Harper and North Harper Lake located in the Town of Rib Lake and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof:

The Town Board of the Town of Rib Lake, Taylor County, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

- Sec. 1. <u>Intent</u>. The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and capability of the water resource.
- Sec. 2. <u>Applicability and Enforcement</u>. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the waters of both North Harper Lake and South Harper Lake within the jurisdiction of the Town of Rib Lake. The provisions of this ordinance shall be enforced by the officers of the Town of Rib Lake, Harpers Lakes Association (Water Safety Patrol), and Taylor County Sheriff's Department.
- Sec. 3. <u>Definitions in this Ordinance</u>. A. "Swimming Zone" means any authorized area of water established by regulatory markers to designate a swim area.
- B. "Slow-no-Wake" means that speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control on both North and South Harper Lakes.
- Sec. 5. <u>Speed Restrictions</u>. No boat may operate at a speed in excess of slow-no-wake during the hours before 9:00 a.m. and after the hour of 7:00 p.m. as found in ss. 30.66(2) as found in Wisconsin Statutes.
- Sec. 6. <u>Controlled Areas</u>. No boat or skier shall approach the "Swimming Zone" marked by buoys located on the far north end of South Harper Lake, along Rustic Road, within 100 feet at a speed in excess of "Slow-no-Wake" as found in ss. 30.68(7) of Wisconsin Statutes.
- Sec. 7. <u>Boats Excluded Area</u>. The following area shall be a "Boat Excluded Area" and marked by two swim area buoys: Buoy number one (1) will be placed 120 feet south of the concrete boat landing on the north shore of South Harper Lake. Buoy number two (2) will be placed 100 feet due east of buoy number one and 120 feet south of the large red pine located on the east end of the swimming area.
- Sec. 8. <u>Penalties</u>. Wisconsin State Boating Penalties as found in Wisconsin Statutes ss. 30.80(1) and (2) are adopted.

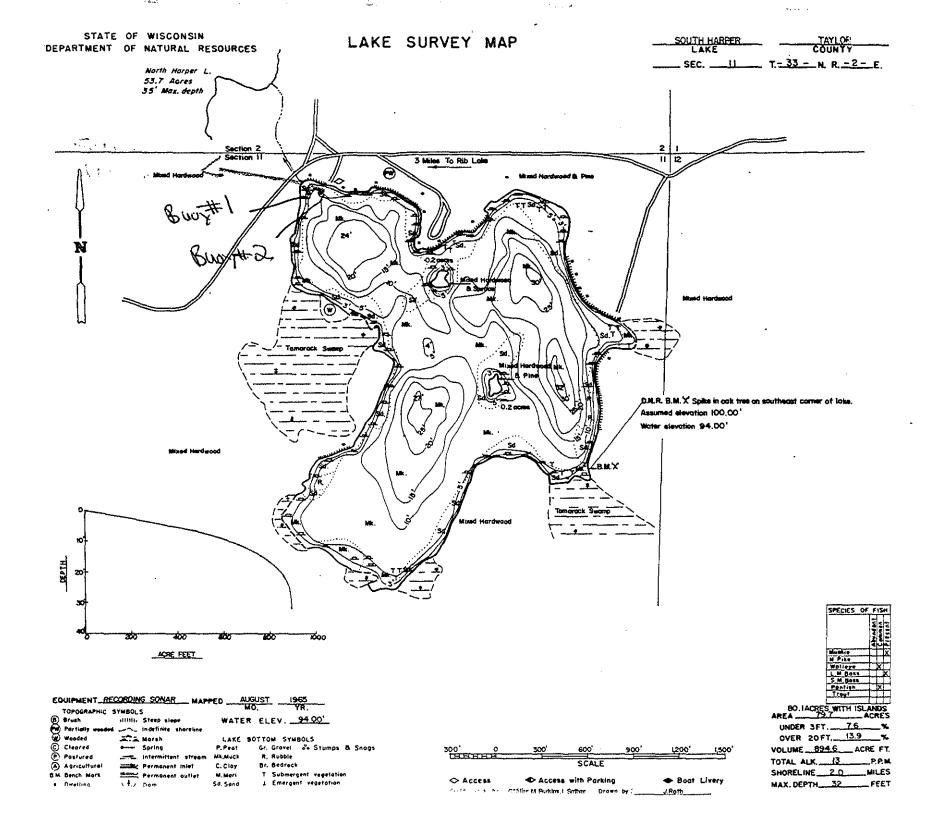
Sec. 9.	Effective Date.	This section	will become	effective upon	passage	and the da	y after	publication
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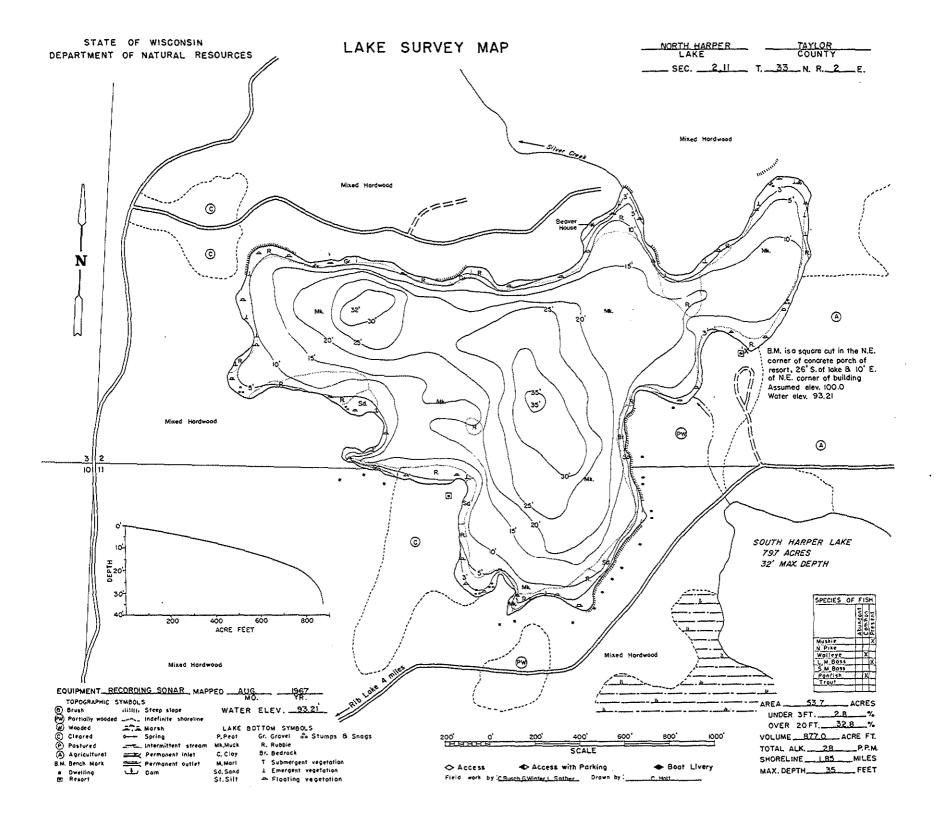
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CONDITION REPORT

The local conditions necessitating this regulation is that South Harper Lake is 80.1 acres and North Harper Lake is 53.7 acres. Both have many cottages on their shores. Also, both lakes are very well suited to swimming, water skiing, and fishing, which creates a very dangerous situation during the evening hours when people are swimming and fishing.

We, the Town of Rib Lake, along with the direction of the Harper Lakes Association, feel this is an unhealthy, dangerous situation that would be corrected by this ordinance.

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