TOWN OF PHELPS VILAS COUNTY, WISCONSIN ORDINANCE NO. 2010-03

A SOLE ORDINANCE TO REGULATE BOATING UPON THE WATERS OF IMOGENE LAKE AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

The Town Board of the Town of Phelps, Vilas County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Applicability and Enforcement

- a. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the waters of Imogene Lake.
- b. This ordinance shall be enforced by the officers of the Town of Phelps.

Section 2. Intent

The intent of this ordinance is to protect the ecology of Imogene Lake by designating the entire 66 acre lake as a "SLOW-NO-WAKE, ELECTRIC TROLLING MOTOR ONLY" lake. The objective of this protective program under the ordinance is to reduce the disturbance to vegetation and substrate in the shallow and shoreline areas of the lake and to address the "Highly Sensitive" lake classification given this seepage lake (no inlet and no outlet) under the Vilas County Lake Classification System.

Section 3. State Boating and Safety Laws Adopted State boating laws as found in Sections 30.50 to 30.71, Wis. Stats., are adopted by reference.

Section 4. Motor Boat Prohibited Lake

No person shall operate a motorboat, as defined in 30.50(6), Wis. Stats., that is propelled by internal combustion engine or engines on the waters of Imogene Lake with the exception of natural resource personnel conducting fish surveys or loon banding. Electric motors only are permitted on said waters.

Section 5. Definitions

Siow-No-Wake means that speed at which a watercraft moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control.

Section 6. Posting Requirements

In conformity with section 30.77(4), Wis. Stats, this ordinance shall be posted at all public access points on Imogene Lake.

Section 7. Penalties

Wisconsin state boating penalties, as found in Section 30.80, Wis. Stats., and deposits as established in the Uniform Deposit and Bail Schedule by the Wisconsin Judicial Conference, are hereby adopted by reference and all references to fines amended to forfeitures and all references to imprisonment deleted.

Section 8. Severability

The provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed severable, and it is expressly declared that the Town Board would have passed the other provisions of this ordinance, irrespective of whether or not one or more provisions may be declared invalid. If any provision of this ordinance or the application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section 9. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and the day following its publication.

Adopted this the 11th day of October, 2010.

Town of Phelps, Vilas County, Wisconsin

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