

TOWN OF KNOWLTON, MARATHON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

ORDINANCE NO. 6

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SANITATION,  
WELFARE AND PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF KNOWLTON

The Town Board of the town of Knowlton, do hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1 – POLICY.

It is declared to be the policy of this ordinance to protect the public lands, to protect and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the people of this Town, to provide for the conservation of the soil and soil resources of this Town, to control and prevent soil erosion, to preserve natural resources, to preserve wildlife, to protect the tax base and to preserve the public peace and good order of this Town.

SECTION 2 – LARGE PUBLIC GATHERING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS.

No person, firm, or corporation shall conduct, establish, or manage any type of public gathering whatsoever including, but not limited to by reason of enumeration herein, any public dance, amusement park, carnival, street fair, music festival, or event or other like public gathering or any activity which is an adjunct to such gathering for which it can be reasonably anticipated that more than 500 persons will be in attendance at any one time, without first securing a license as provided herein.

SECTION 3 – LICENSE REQUIREMENTS.

Application for such a license shall be made to the Town Board by written application to the Town Clerk. The issuing of licenses shall be controlled by the Town Board. Such license shall be granted subject to the following conditions:

- (a) No license shall be issued unless proper application has been made, at least six (6) weeks prior to the date of the proposed scheduled event.
- (b) No license shall be issued unless a fee has been filed with the Town board at least two (2) weeks prior to the date of the event. Such fee shall be determined by the Town Board, after a public hearing, which public hearing shall be within ten (10) days after the date of filing the license application. Notification of the said public hearing shall be published as a Class 1 notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town at least five (5) days prior to the date set for the said hearing. Any interested party may appear at the said public hearing, at which hearing the

Town Board shall determine the anticipated costs of the public gathering to the town and whether or not adequate health and sanitary facilities are available at the proposed gathering site and whether such gathering would be in compliance with Wisconsin law. The Town Board at such hearing, shall set such fees shall be sufficient to approximate as nearly as possible, all costs and expenses which will be incurred by the Town as a result of the said gathering. Such fee shall be held by the Town and shall be used as reimbursement to the Town for all expenses incurred as a result of the said event. Any excess fee shall be returned to the applicant. Any additional costs or expenses which accrue to the town as a result of the gathering, will be paid directly to the Town by the promoter.

- (c) No such license shall be issued unless proof that an adequate security force is sufficient to maintain the peace and good order of the event or gathering and to enforce all laws which will be in attendance at the event. The cost of such security force is to be paid out of the fee filed as provided in sub (b) hereinabove. The security force is to be under the control and administered by proper law enforcement officers of this county and state.
- (d) No such license shall be issued until proof that adequate health and sanitary facilities will be provided, such facilities to be in all respects in compliance with Wisconsin law and applicable health and sanitary conditions.
- (e) In no event, shall any license be issued less than two (2) weeks prior to the date of such event or gathering.

#### SECTION 4 – APPLICANT NOTIFICATION.

The applicant for such a license shall be notified in writing, of the time and date of the public hearing and a copy of this ordinance shall be furnished to him with such notification, at least five (5) days prior to the date set for said hearing.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1978.

ADOPTED: May 8, 1978

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