

## **No. 04-24- Short-Term Rental Properties Ordinance**

### **Section 1: Purpose**

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish specific regulations for short-term rental properties within the Town to promote community welfare, ensure public safety, and maintain the quality of life for residents.

### **Section 2: Quiet Hours**

In order to preserve the peace and tranquility of residential neighborhoods, all short-term rental properties shall observe designated quiet hours.

#### **A. Quiet Hours:**

All occupants of short-term rental properties must adhere to quiet hours from 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM daily. During these hours, all noise levels must be minimized to avoid disturbance to neighboring residents.

#### **B. Compliance:**

The owner of the short-term rental property shall be responsible for informing all guests of the quiet hours policy and ensuring adherence. Failure to comply with the quiet hours may result in penalties, including potential fines or revocation of the rental permit.

### **Section 3: Parking Restrictions**

In order to ensure the safety and accessibility of roadways, no parking shall be allowed on public roads overnight. **No parking on private roads is allowed day or night because of pedestrian traffic and for the fact that most private roads are made for single traffic only.**

#### **A. No Overnight Parking:**

Guests staying at short-term rental properties are prohibited from parking on public roads between the hours of 11:00 PM and 6:00 AM. Guests must utilize designated parking areas or driveways associated with the rental property.

#### **B. Compliance:**

The owner of the short-term rental property shall inform all guests of the overnight parking restrictions and ensure compliance. Failure to adhere to this parking policy may result in penalties, including fines and potential revocation of the rental permit.

### **Section 4: Annual Application Fee**

To fund the enforcement of regulations and ensure the proper administration of short-term rentals, an annual application fee shall be instituted.

#### **A. Application Fee:**

An annual application fee of \$50 shall be required for all short-term rental properties operating within the Town. This fee must be submitted with the application for a rental permit and shall be renewed annually.

## **Section 5: Compliance with State Code Inspections**

All short-term rental properties must meet state and local health and safety standards to ensure the safety and well-being of all guests and neighboring residents.

### **A. State Code Compliance:**

All short-term rental properties must be compliant with state code inspections and requirements. Proof of compliance with state and local safety regulations must be submitted at the time of application for the rental permit and upon renewal.

## **Section 6: Enforcement and Penalties**

Failure to comply with the provisions outlined in this ordinance may result in penalties, including fines, suspension, or revocation of the short-term rental permit, as determined by the Town officials.

## **Section 7: Room Tax**

Ordinance No. 9-04 Pursuant to Section 66.0615, Wis. Stats., the Town has enacted and imposes a room tax ordinance. The room tax rate is 3 percent (3%) of the rental price of the room lodging. Quarterly the person liable for this tax needs to sent to the town of Belle Plaine the town keeps 30% of the tax and 70% is sent to Shawano Country Tourism. January, February and March of each calendar year needs to be reported and paid by April 15<sup>th</sup>. April, May and June need to be reported and paid by July 15<sup>th</sup>. July, August and September needs to be reported and paid by October 15<sup>th</sup>. October, November and December needs to be reported and paid by January 15<sup>th</sup>. Any person who is subject to pay tax hereunder shall pay interest at the rate of (1%) per month on the unpaid balance of any tax not paid by its due date. The collection of this tax may be enforced by the means set forth in Section 66.0615(2), Wis. Stats. and may be amended from time to time. Please see Ordinance No. 09-04 for the Complete Room Tax Ordinance.

## **Section 8: Boating and Town Regulations**

Renters should be aware of boating regulations if they are renting on one of the Town of Belle Plaine's Cloverleaf, Long and Shoenrock lakes. Safety is very important to local residents and visitors.

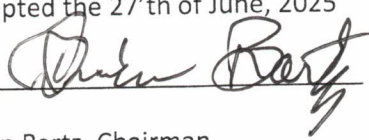
Town regulations should also be made aware of to the renters so that they can comply with dog, garbage, parking and other regulations as mentioned prior in this ordinance. A copy of boating and town regulations should be posted in each of the rental properties.

## **Section 9: Effective Date**

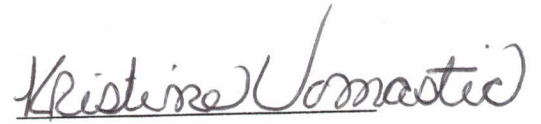
This ordinance shall be taking effect upon approval and posting on the Belle Plaine Town Hall Door and on the town website in June 2025 but not enforced until January 2026.

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Adopted the 27'th of June, 2025

  
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Alvin Bartz, Chairman

  
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Attest: Kristine Vomastic, Clerk