

TOWN OF JOHNSTOWN
ORDINANCE #2001-3
BURNING RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS, The escape of forest, brush or grass fires is a threat to human life and property, and a heavy expense to the taxpayers and town to control.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the policy of the Town Board shall be:

A. That no person shall set any fire upon any land in the Town of Johnstown without first obtaining a burning permit from the town chairman or either of the town supervisors and **MUST** notify the Polk County Sherriff's Department (715-537-3106) and the Barron County Sherriff's Department (715-485-8300), except for the purpose of warming the person or cooking food.

B. That no such burning permits will be issued at times when the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has determined that it is imprudent to set fires upon any land within the town. Call 1.888WIS.BURN (947-2876) or dnr.wi.gov/wisburn to check for daily restrictions.

That only legal materials are to be burned: Brush, Leaves, Needles, Grass, Clean Wood, Unrecyclable Paper, Unrecyclable Cardboard. **ALL OTHER MATERIAL IS ILLEGAL TO BURN.**

That fires must be attended at all times.

That burning is allowed on Sunday's and Holiday's by special permit only, issued by a Town Board Member.

C. That no such burning permit shall be required when snow covers the ground.

D. That no permit will be required to burn rubbish in a barrel, trash can or other enclosed burner if a heavy wire screen or cover is used to prevent burning material or embers from blowing out.

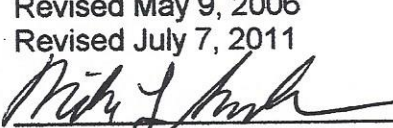
F. There shall be no cost involved to obtain a required burning permit, which can be obtained by contacting any board member and obtaining a copy of the "Burning Restrictions" from one of the following places: Town Hall, County Line Bar, Kiosk at County Road "T" and "G" or on The Pipe Lake Web site <http://www.pipelakes.org/johnstown..>

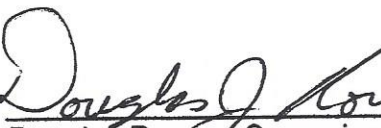
G. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that it shall also be the policy of the Town Board to assess the full amount of the manpower charge portion of the fire department response to any occurrence where an intentionally set fire gets out of control and spreads requiring such response. The town will continue to absorb the equipment portion of the charges as part of the contractual agreement with the fire department.

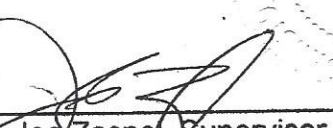
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