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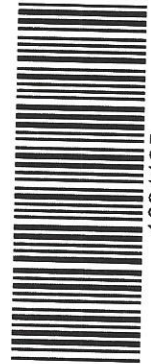
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MAINE PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP  
COUNTY OF STEARNS  
STATE OF MINNESOTA

ORDINANCE NO. 20-22-01

AN INTERIM ORDINANCE ENACTING A MORATORIUM ON THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF ANY NEW VACATION/PRIVATE HOME RENTALS IN  
ALL ZONING DISTRICTS IN MAINE PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP

THE TOWN BOARD OF MAINE PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1. Intent.** It is the intent of this Interim Ordinance to allow Maine Prairie Township to study and review its Ordinances to determine what changes, if any may be required in the regulation of Vacation/Private Home Rentals and to make appropriate changes in the same in order to protect the value of properties within Maine Prairie Township, to insure proper land use controls, and to facilitate compatibility between such property and the surrounding property.

**Section 2. Authority and Purpose.** The Township Board is empowered by Minn. Stat. § 462.355, Subd. 4 to pass an interim ordinance, applicable to all or a portion of its jurisdiction, for the purpose of protecting the planning process and the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens.

**Section 3. Temporary Prohibition.** For one year after the effective date of this ordinance, or until such earlier time as the Maine Prairie Township Board determines by resolution that the reasons for the moratorium no longer exist, no new vacation/private home rental uses shall be established or modified within any zoning district in Maine Prairie Township, nor shall the Township accept any new applications or process any applications for the establishment of any new Vacation/Private Home Rentals in any zoning district in Maine Prairie Township.

**Section 4. Exceptions.** Specifically exempted from this prohibition are all completed applications for new vacation/private home rental uses that have been submitted to Stearns County Environmental Service Offices, provided that final approval has been given to such applications prior to the effective date of this Ordinance.

**Section 5. Misdemeanor.** Any person, persons, firm or corporation violating any provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 609.02, Subd. 3, or as subsequently amended, plus costs of prosecution.

**Section 6. Injunctive Relief.** In the event of a violation of this ordinance, the Township may institute appropriate actions or proceedings, including requesting injunctive relief to prevent, restrain, correct, or abate such violations.

**Section 7. Separability.** It is hereby declared to be the intention that the several provisions of this ordinance are separable in accordance with the following: if any court of competent jurisdiction shall adjudge any provision of this ordinance to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect any other provisions of this ordinance not specifically included in said judgment.

**Section 8. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and shall remain in effect until one year after the effective date, unless a shorter period of time is approved by proper resolution of the Maine Prairie Township Board.

**PASSED** by the Township Board of the Maine Prairie Township this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

**MAINE PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP**

  
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John Wicker, Chair

  
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Lori Hunt, Clerk

