

**MAINE PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP
STEARNS COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 5
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING SNOW-RELATED PARKING
RESTRICTIONS**

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Maine Prairie ordains:

Subdivision 1

Definitions: Definitions. For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms shall have the meaning given:

- a. Park: for purposes of this Section the term "Park" includes the terms stand, standing, stop and stopping.
- b. Person: any individual, individuals, firm, association, syndicate, co-partnership, corporation, trust or other association of persons.
- c. Town: the Maine Prairie Township in Minnesota.
- d. Vehicle: a self-propelled motor vehicle not operated on rails, including, but not limited to Commercial Vehicles.

Subdivision 2

Snow Removal. No person shall park any vehicle or other object on a public street, avenue, alley or other public way at any time after three inches or more of snow has accumulated on any public street, avenue, alley or other public way, whether the accumulation is due to new fallen snow or the drifting or blowing of snow from previous snowfalls. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle, car, truck, van, bus, trailer, camper (whether motorized or not), wagon, motorcycle, commercial vehicle, bicycle, snowmobile or other object or piece of equipment on any public street, avenue, alley or public way until public snow removal activities have been completed on that public street, avenue, alley or public way.

Subsection a. Forced Removal. If the Town Board determines that a vehicle, car, truck, van, bus, trailer, camper (whether motorized or not), wagon, motorcycle, commercial vehicle, bicycle, snowmobile or other object or piece of equipment left in a road right-of-way poses an unreasonable risk to public safety or significantly interferes with snowplowing operation, the Town Board will have the item removed from the right-of-way at the owner's expense.

Subsection b. Damage. The Town shall not be responsible for any damage or injuries caused by independent contractors performing snow or ice control operations for the Town.

Subdivision 3

Penalty for Violation. Violations of this ordinance shall constitute a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by up to the maximum penalty for a misdemeanor as provided by state law as from time to time amended, including the cost of prosecution. Each day a violation shall occur shall constitute a separate violation.

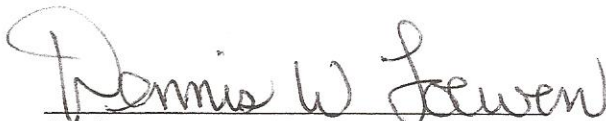
Subdivision 4

Severability. If any portion of this ordinance shall be found unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by a court of proper jurisdiction, all remaining provisions shall remain in effect and shall not be affected by the ruling on the invalid section.

Subdivision 5

Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective and enforceable upon its passage and publication.

Passed by the Town Board of Maine Prairie Township on this 14th day of October, 2014.


Chairperson


Town Clerk