

TOWNSHIP OF MARATHON  
COUNTY OF LAPEER, STATE OF MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-1  
ADOPTED: MARCH 28, 2019  
EFFECTIVE: APRIL 28, 2019

**PROHIBITION OF RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS ORDINANCE**

An ordinance to provide a title for the ordinance; to define words; to prohibit marihuana establishments within the boundaries of Marathon Township pursuant to Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951, *et seq.*, as may be amended; to provide penalties for violation of this ordinance; to provide for severability; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith; and to provide an effective date.

THE TOWNSHIP OF MARATHON  
LAPEER COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDAINS:

**SECTION I TITLE**

This ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the Marathon Township Prohibition of Marihuana Establishments Ordinance.

**SECTION II DEFINITIONS**

Words used herein shall have the definitions as provided for in Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951, *et seq.*, as may be amended.

**SECTION III NO MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS**

Marathon Township hereby prohibits all marihuana establishments within the boundaries of the Township pursuant to Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951, *et seq.*, as may be amended.

**SECTION IV VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES**

1. Any person who disobeys neglects or refuses to comply with any provision of this ordinance or who causes allows or consents to any of the same shall be deemed to be responsible for the violation of this ordinance. A violation of this ordinance is deemed to be a nuisance per se.
2. A violation of this ordinance is a municipal civil infraction, for which the fines shall not be less than \$100 nor more than \$500, in the discretion of the Court. The foregoing sanctions shall be in addition to the rights of the Township to proceed at law or equity with other appropriate and proper remedies. Additionally, the violator shall pay costs which may include all expenses, direct and indirect, which the Township incurs in connection with the municipal civil infraction.

3. Each day during which any violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.
4. In addition, the Township may seek injunctive relief against persons alleged to be in violation of this ordinance, and such other relief as may be provided by law.
5. This ordinance shall be administered and enforced by the Ordinance Enforcement Officer of the Township or by such other person (s) as designated by the Township Board from time to time.

#### **SECTION V SEVERABILITY**

The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any clause, sentence, word, section or provision is hereafter declared void or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the remainder of such ordinance which shall continue in full force and effect.

#### **SECTION VI REPEAL**

All ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

#### **SECTION VII EFFECTIVE DATE**

This ordinance shall take effect April 28, 2019.

At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Township of Marathon held on March 28, 2019, Sandi Glesenkamp moved for adoption of the foregoing ordinance and Dale Fuller supported the motion.

Moorhouse AYE

Glesenkamp AYE

Johnson AYE

Fuller AYE

Hollis AYE

The Supervisor declared the ordinance adopted.

Dawn Johnson, Township Clerk, certifies the forgoing resolution was made and passed by the Marathon Township Board at a special meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

  
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Dawn Johnson, Clerk