

TOWNSHIP OF MARATHON

Noise Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 06

An ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 84-1 and adopt a new Noise Ordinance.

THE TOWNSHIP OF MARATHON HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Repeal of Ordinance No. 84-1.

The Township hereby repeals Ordinance No. 84-1 in its entirety.

Section 2. Adoption of New Noise Ordinance.

The Township hereby adopts a new Noise Ordinance to read as follows:

A. GENERAL. No person shall at any time cause a noise to be created which by its loud or continuous nature is a nuisance to persons occupying nearby properties. This section shall not apply to farm or business operations which are carried on in an area properly zoned for that activity, providing that the activity causing the noise is necessary to the farm or business operation.

B. MOTOR VEHICLES. No motor vehicle which creates excessive noise shall be operated upon the public roads or other public property located within the Township. For purposes of this section, the term "excessive noise" shall be deemed to mean noise louder than that which would be created if the motor vehicle was equipped with a standard muffler system in good working order.

C. OFF-ROAD VEHICLES. No trail bike, snowmobile, or other vehicle which is not licensed for use upon public roads shall be operated within the Township unless it is equipped with a muffler which effectively prevents loud noises therefrom.

D. NIGHT DISTURBANCES. No excessive noise shall be made on any private property within the Township between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. This section shall include noises created by phonographs, radios, stereo equipment, musical instruments, loud parties, etc. For purposes of this section, the term "excessive noise" shall be deemed to mean any noise which is audible beyond the property lines of the property on which the noise originates and which is audible beyond such property lines at a level louder than the noise caused by ordinary conversation.

E. DOGS. No person shall permit any dog which is harbored on his premises to create a nuisance by loud, frequent or habitual barking, howling, or other noise.

F. WAIVER. Permission to waive the provisions of this ordinance may be granted by the Township Board for specific events or social occasions.

G. PENALTY. Any person who shall violate a provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor which shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.

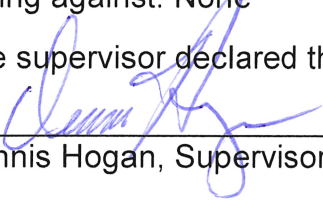
Section 3. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect thirty days after publication.

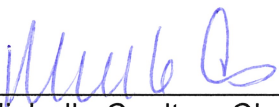
Voting for: Sickner, Hogan, Coultas, Hollis and Glesenkamp

Voting against: None

The supervisor declared the ordinance adopted.



Dennis Hogan, Supervisor



Michelle Coultas, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No.2024 - 06 which was enacted by the Marathon Township Board of Trustees at a regular meeting held on September 11, 2024.



Michelle Coultas
Township Clerk