

## Chapter 900 Comprehensive Shoreland District and Zoning Ordinance

900 PREAMBLE: WHEREAS, the Electors of the Town of Presque Isle, Vilas County, at adjourned annual meetings, voted on the 1st day of May, 1958 to grant village powers to the Town Board and by referendum pursuant to State Statute 60.74(7) held on the 8th day of May 1959 authorized the Town Board to adopt a Town Zoning Ordinance; this Town Zoning Ordinance has since been amended on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1979 on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1991, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1999, and on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2001. As amended per Statute 60.62 this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016, be it ordained by the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle, Vilas County, Wisconsin as follows:

900.1 PURPOSE: The provisions of this Ordinance shall be for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, comfort, prosperity, aesthetics, and general welfare of the Town of Presque Isle by maintaining safe, healthful conditions; controlling water pollution; preserving shore cover, preventing erosion of the soil, and preserving the compatibility of proposed development with existing land and water usage.

900.2 COMPLIANCE: The use of any land or water, the size, shape and placement of lots, the use, size, and placement of structures on lots, the installation and maintenance of water supply and waste disposal facilities, the filling, grading, and lagooning, dredging of any land, the cutting of shoreland vegetation, the sub-division of lots, shall be in full compliance with the terms of this Ordinance and other applicable regulations.

900.3 INTERPRETATION: In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be held to be minimum requirements and shall be liberally construed in favor of the town and shall not be deemed to be a limitation or repeal of any other powers granted by Wisconsin Statute.

900.4 SAVING CLAUSE: Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding now pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, nor any cause or causes of action accrued or existing, under any act or Ordinance repealed hereby. Nor shall any right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

900.5 VALIDITY: Should any section, clause, or provision of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

900.6 VALIDITY OF OTHER LAWS: Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to prevent the

enforcement of other laws which prescribe more restrictive limitations.

900.7 INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES REPEALED: Inconsistent Ordinances or parts thereof in force at the time that this Ordinance shall take effect are hereby repealed.

900.8 NONIMPAIRMENT OF DEEDS: It is not intended by this Ordinance to repeal, abrogate, or impair any existing deed restrictions, easements, or covenants or Ordinances, other than zoning, except where this Ordinance imposes greater restrictions, the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail.

900.9 TITLE & SCOPE: The title of this Ordinance is "The Comprehensive Shoreland District and Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Presque Isle". The provisions of this Ordinance apply to the construction, alteration, use & occupancy, location, maintenance of and additions to buildings and structures and to appurtenances such as roadways, public and private drives, and street encroachments hereafter erected, and where expressly stated, existing on land or over water in the Town of Presque Isle. As used in this Ordinance, the words "Town", "Town of Presque Isle", "Township", and "Township of Presque Isle" are synonymous.

900.10 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE: The term effective date of this Ordinance shall be upon adoption and upon public notification thereof. After the effective date of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful to maintain, occupy or use a building or structure, or part thereof, that has been erected, constructed, altered or added to in violation of the provisions of this Ordinance, and no building or structure shall be occupied or used unless it is in a safe and habitable condition.