

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1

TOWN OF DEERFIELD
DANE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

AN ORDINANCE TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE TOWN'S URBAN FOREST

Intent and Purpose
Pruning Restrictions
Damage to Trees on Public Property
Penalty for violation

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Trees are a valuable resource, which enhance the aesthetics of the Town, prevent soil erosion, filter airborne pollutants, reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide, produce oxygen, improve water quality, reduce noise pollution, and contribute significantly to property values, quality of life, and our sense of community. It is hereby declared to be the policy of the Town of Deerfield to regulate maintenance and removal activities upon specific varieties of trees within the Town to promote the public welfare and reduce the spread of harmful insects and disease affecting trees.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the Wisconsin Statutes, including Wis. Stat. 60.22, the Town Board of the Town of Deerfield hereby ordains as follows:

Pruning and Removal Restrictions

In an effort to control the spread of Oak Wilt, pruning, cutting or other wounding of Oaks is prohibited from April 1 until October 15 of any year without written permission from the Town of Deerfield Board. During the period from April 1 until October 15, if wounding occurs or pruning is necessary in response to an emergency, such as storm damage, an arborist approved tree wound dressing shall be applied immediately to each wound. The cut surface of stumps from living non-infected Oaks shall be immediately painted with a wound dressing.

Effective Date of Ordinance. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and posting or publication pursuant to law. The above and foregoing ordinance was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Deerfield at its meeting held on October 14, 2024.

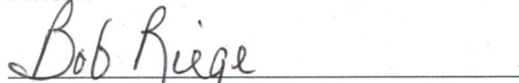
TOWN OF DEERFIELD – approvals



Mike Schlobohm – Town Chair

Posted on: 10-15-2024

Attest:



Bob Riege – Town Clerk