## NOTICE TOWN OF GORDON DOUGLAS COUNTY, WISCONSIN

## ORDINANCE TO CONTROL & PERMIT ACCESS TO TOWN ROADS FROM PRIVATE PROPERTIES

WHEREAS, uncontrolled accesses to Town Roads from properties adjacent to Town Roads does create traffic and safety hazards to the general public, and

WHEREAS, permits are required for road access to state and county roads,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board institute a permit system to control road and driveway access to Town Roads under their jurisdiction, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that each permit be considered by the Town Board on an individual basis to assure the following standards, not necessarily inclusive; but subject to amendment as needs arise are complied with;

- 1. That the approaches to Town Roads afford adequate and safe visibility distances.
- 2. That the approaches to Town Roads are on grade level with the road to prevent erosion from the private property onto the Town Road, and the erosion of the Town Road shoulders onto private properties.
- 3. That the approaches to the Town Road have a minimum width of 24 feet, level and clear of all obstructions, and a minimum vertical clearance of 14 feet the entire width of said approach.
- 4. That should a culvert, within the approach, be necessary as determined from individual inspection of the site, that said culvert would be purchased by the person(s) desiring said access to the Town Road, and installed under supervision of the Town to assure proper drainage.
- 5. That the approach access distance required to meet these above specifications is considered to be 33 feet from the centerline of the existing Town Road.
- 6. That all expenses necessary to be in compliance with the above requirements is the responsibility of that person(s) requesting access to the Town Road.
- 7. That a temporary access may be granted that need not comply with the above requirements provided a permit is obtained, and under the conditions that all installation and removal of the access is the responsibility of the person(s) requesting same; and that the maximum length of time for the temporary access does not exceed 6 months from the date of issuing, at the discretion of the Town Board.
- 8. Penalty; that any violation of this Ordinance will result in the Town removing the access and restoring the road to original conditions, all costs to be charged and collected from violator(s) and/or landowner, as may be determined by the Town Board.

**BE IT FURTHER RSOLVED,** that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the Douglas County Zoning Authority with the request that all land use permits issued, which may involve Town of Gordon Roads, be noted to the effect "Town of Gordon Road Access Permit is Required".

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the fee for said permit shall be \$5.00, and that permit applications be available at the office of the Town Clerk and the office of the Highway Superintendent, but that the permit is not considered valid until a site inspection has been made by the Highway Superintendent and/or a Town Board Member, and that information and date is noted on the permit.

## Revised August 13, 2002

The Gordon Town Board changed the Permit Fee from \$1.00 to \$5.00. The original ordinance was adopted August 29, 1979. This revised copy was posted on this 20 day of 2002 at the following official posting sites: Town Hall Outdoor Bulletin Board, ICO Outdoor Bulletin Board, and J & K's Halfway House Intrance Bulletin Board.

Wendy Finstad Town Clerk