

**TOWN OF GRANT
ORDINANCE RELATING TO
ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS
FOR VIOLATIONS OF TOWN ORDINANCES
NO. # 530- 2008**

The Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Grant, Portage County, does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1 - STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Section 66.0113 of Wisconsin Statutes, the Town Board hereby elects to use the citation method of enforcement of town ordinances described herein, or in a separate ordinance, including those for which a statutory counterpart exists. The Town Board reserves the right to use any legal process other than or in addition to the citation method of enforcement.

SECTION 2 - FORM OF CITATION

The citation shall contain the following:

- (a) The name and address of the alleged violator;
- (b) The factual allegations describing the alleged violation;
- (c) The time and place of the offense;
- (d) The section of the ordinance violated;
- (e) A designation of the offense in such manner as can readily be understood by a person making a reasonable effort to do so;
- (f) The time at which the alleged violator may appear in court;
- (g) A statement which in essence informs the alleged violator:

1. That a cash deposit based on the schedule established by this or other town ordinance may be made which shall be delivered or mailed to the Clerk of Court prior to the time of the scheduled court appearance.
 2. That is a deposit is made, no appearance in court is necessary unless the defendant is subsequently summoned.
 3. That if a cash deposit is made and the alleged violator does not appear in court, he will be deemed to have entered a plea of no contest, and submitted to a forfeiture which applicable penalty assessment, or if the court does not accept the plea of no contest, a summons will be issued commanding him to appear in court to answer the complaint.
 4. That is no cash deposit is made and the alleged violator does not appear in court at the time specified, the court may issue a summons or warrant for the defendant's arrest or consider the non-appearance to be a plea of no contest and enter judgment, or an action may be commenced to collect the forfeiture.
- (h) A direction that if the alleged violator elects to make a cash deposit, the statement which accompanies the citation shall be signed to indicate that the statement required under Section 2(g) above has been read. Such statement shall be sent or brought with the cash deposit;
- (i) A statement that if the court finds that the violation involves an offense that prohibits conduct prohibited by state statute punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, and that the violation resulted in property damage or physical injury to a person other than the

alleged violator, the court may summon the defendant into court to determine if restitution shall be ordered under Section 800.093, Wis. Stats.

(j) Such other information as the town deems necessary.

SECTION 3 - SCHEDULE OF DEPOSITS

The following schedule of cash deposits is established for use with citations issued under this ordinance.

<u>ORDINANCE TITLE</u>	<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>DEPOSITS & COSTS</u>
Ordinance #1-97	Failure to obtain building permit as required	\$100.00 plus current court costs per Chapter 814, Wis. Stats.
Amended Zoning Ordinance (last amended December 1, 2006)	All Zoning Ordinance violations	\$100.00 plus current court costs per Chapter 814, Wis. Stats.

Deposits shall be made in cash, money order or certified check to the Clerk of Circuit Court who shall provide a receipt therefore.

SECTION 4 - ISSUANCE OF CITATION

At the direction of the Town Board, the following officials shall issue citations with respect to those specified ordinances which are directly related to their official responsibilities:

<u>ORDINANCE TITLE</u>	<u>ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL</u>
Ordinance #1-97	Building Inspector, Zoning Administrator
Zoning Ordinance	Zoning Administrator or Town Board member

SECTION 5 - PROCEDURE

Section 66.0113(3) Wisconsin Statutes relating to violator's options and procedures on default is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference.

SECTION 6 - NONEXCLUSIVITY

A. OTHER ORDINANCE

Adoption of this ordinance does not preclude the Town Board from adopting any other ordinance or providing for the enforcement of any other law or ordinance relating to the same or other matter.

B. OTHER REMEDIES

The issuance of a citation hereunder shall not preclude the Town Board or any authorized office from proceedings under any other ordinance or law or by any other enforcement method to enforce any ordinance, regulation or order.

SECTION 7 - SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this ordinance is invalid or unconstitutional, or if the application of this ordinance to any person or circumstances is invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application.

SECTION 8 - EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication on posting as provided by law.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Grant, Portage County, Wisconsin, on 16th day of April, 2008.

Vote for: 3 against: 0

Sharon Schwab
Sharon Schwab, Town Chairperson

Dick Kertis
Dick Kertis, Town Supervisor

James Wendels
James Wendels, Town Supervisor

Posted within 30 days of passage*
on Jun 6, 2008 at the
following public locations:

Town Hall
Transfer Station
Oak + Townline Rd.

Vicky Zimmerman
Vicky Zimmerman, Town Clerk

*As an alternative to posting, one publication in a general circulation newspaper may be used.