

Town of Lac du Flambeau

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ORDINANCE 99-02

RESOLUTION OF GENERAL APPLICATION
POLICY REGARDING HANDLING OF ANONYMOUS COMPLAINTS
OF VIOLATIONS OF TOWN ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, the Town of Lac du Flambeau has adopted numerous ordinances which are reasonably related to the protection of the health, safety and welfare of residents and taxpayers alike;

WHEREAS, the Town of Lac du Flambeau has employed several persons charged with the investigation and enforcement of the Town's Ordinances;

WHEREAS, the Town's employees are not always able to observe, detect or investigate potential violations of the Town's Ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Lac du Flambeau hereby adopts the following policy regarding complaints from anonymous sources concerning Town Ordinances:

Section 1. The Town shall recognize a complainant's wishes to remain anonymous in the event the complainant requests the same.

Section 2. Complainant who wishes to remain anonymous must provide sufficient facts and information in order to permit an investigation by Town employees.

Section 3. All anonymous complaints which contain adequate information will be investigated by Town employees to determine whether violations of Town Ordinances have occurred. Town employees are expressly permitted to obtain information without requiring names of informants and are expressly granted the authority to investigate such anonymous complaints and that all records created in response to such complaints shall so indicate. There shall be no

Supervisor
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prosecution of ordinance violations which cannot be verified by independent investigations conducted by Town employee.

Section 4. Nonexclusivity: Adoption of this ordinance in no way precludes the adoption of any other ordinance relating to the same or any other similar matter. The issuance of a citation under this ordinance in no way precludes proceeding under any other law or ordinance relating to the same or any other similar matter.

Section 5. Severability: If any provision of this ordinance is invalid or unconstitutional, or if the application of this ordinance to any person or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the provisions or application of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application.

Section 6. Effective Date: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force upon its passage and publication.

DATE: October 20, 1999

Francis P. Chartier
Francis P. Chartier, Chairman

Mike Christensen
Mike Christensen, Supervisor

Matthew E. Gaulke
Matthew E. Gaulke, Supervisor

ATTEST: I, Virginia Schwanebeck, being the duly elected Clerk of the Town of Lac du Flambeau, Vilas County, Wisconsin, attest to the following vote taken on the 20th day of October, 1999.

Aye 3 Nay 0

Virginia Schwanebeck
Virginia Schwanebeck, Town Clerk

published &
effective
10-29-99