

ORDINANCE 2023-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 148 OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE TO RESTRICT THE USE OF COMPRESSION BRAKING.

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds that the use of compression braking creates unreasonable noise and causes unnecessary disturbance of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the use of compression braking systems should be prohibited in certain areas of the Town except when reasonably necessary in emergency situations;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of Pleasant Springs, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 148-2 of the Town of Pleasant Springs Municipal Code is renumbered to §148-3.

Section 2. Section 148-2 of the Town of Pleasant Springs Municipal Code is recreated to read as follows:

§148-2 Engine Braking Prohibited.

(a) Definitions. As used in this section

- (1) "Engine brakes" mean any dynamic braking device (commonly referred to as "jake brakes," "Jacob's brakes," "compression brakes," "compression release brakes"), used for the purpose of slowing or stopping a motor vehicle without, or limiting, the use of wheel brakes.
- (2) "Emergency" means a situation in which there is an imminent and immediate risk of injury to a person or damage to another vehicle or property.

(b) Unlawful use of Engine Brakes. It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to use or operate or cause to be used or operated engine brakes upon County Highway N within the Town of Pleasant Springs, except where reasonably necessary in response to an emergency.

Section 3. The Town of Pleasant Springs shall reimburse the County of Dane for the cost of installing the appropriate signage along County Highway N to provide public notice of the restrictions established by this Ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective the day after publication hereof, or of a notice hereof as authorized by statute, and upon the installation of appropriate signs providing notice hereof.

Adopted this 7 day of November, 2023.

TOWN OF PLEASANT SPRINGS

By: Richard P. Green
Richard Green, Town Chair

ATTEST:

Maria P. Hougan
Maria P. Hougan, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: 4-0

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