

**NOTICE OF BUBBLER ORDINANCE ADOPTION**  
**ORANGEVILLE TOWNSHIP**  
**BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

On APRIL 2, 2019, the Township Board for Orangeville Township adopted a new Ordinance that will be applicable on Gun Lake within Orangeville Township called the "Orangeville Township Bubbler Ordinance." A summary of that new Ordinance is as follows:

**Section 1 - TITLE**

The Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Orangeville Township Bubbler Ordinance."

**Section 2 - LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; PURPOSE**

This section contains various findings by the Orangeville Township Board, as well as specifying several purposes for the Ordinance. In general, the Township Board finds that bubblers at lakes can be dangerous, adversely affect property values and have significant other negative impacts. Some of the purposes of the Ordinance include lessening dangers, enhancing public safety and winter navigability, protecting the environment of Gun Lake and other matters.

**Section 3 - DEFINITIONS**

This section defines the words or phrases bubbler, bubbler system mechanism, lake and marina for purposes of the Ordinance.

**Section 4 – PROHIBITION ON BUBBLERS**

Except as allowed in Section 5 of the Ordinance, the use of bubblers in or on Gun Lake is expressly prohibited.

**Section 5 – COMMERCIAL MARINAS AND BUBBLERS**

The Ordinance allows the limited and regulated use of bubblers for lawful commercial and other marinas on Gun Lake subject to various regulations, requirements and conditions. This section indicates

which commercial and other marinas can use bubblers, the allowed scope of usage, how bubblers can be used, insurance requirements, life saver requirements, required Township permits, revocation of Township bubbler permits and various other matters and regulations regarding commercial and other marinas and the use of bubblers.

#### Section 6 - SEVERABILITY

Should a court invalidate any provision of the Ordinance, the remainder of the Ordinance shall remain in effect.

#### Section 7 – PENALTIES; ENFORCEMENT

A violation of the Ordinance is a municipal civil infraction. This section also addresses fines and other penalties, subsequent offenses, aiding and assisting, Township remedies, the nature of the remedies, who may enforce the Ordinance, the fact that a violation of the Ordinance is a nuisance *per se* and various other matters regarding the enforcement of the Ordinance and the penalties and remedies thereunder.

#### Section 8 - EFFECTIVE DATE

The new Ordinance shall become effective upon the expiration of 30 days after this notice appears in the newspaper.

A full copy of the new Ordinance may be reviewed, inspected or purchased at the Orangeville Township offices located at 7350 Lindsey Road, Plainwell, Michigan 49080 during normal business hours (Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.) or by contacting the Township Clerk at (269) 664-4522. The Ordinance shall take effect upon the expiration of 30 days after this notice appears in the newspaper. Any questions should be directed to the Township Clerk.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mel Risner  
Orangeville Township Clerk  
(269) 664-4522