

**TOWN OF OAK GROVE – Pierce County  
ORDINANCE 2013 – 05**

In the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare, the Town Board of the Town of Oak Grove hereby ordains that Section 10.06 of the General Code of the Town of Oak Grove be amended to read as follows:

I. Sec.10.06. Burning of grass and trash restricted.

- (1) All fires regulated. No person shall kindle any fire within the town without first securing a verbal or written permit from the Town Board Chair or Supervisors who shall issue such permit subject to any conditions for the protection of life and property imposed by the Fire Chief. The permit shall allow burning of waste construction materials, such as and similar to wood and paper products and trees and vegetation resulting from land clearing; it shall not permit the burning of dry material which would be considered as health hazard.

No permit shall be valid until the permittee has notified the Pierce County Sheriff Department of the time and place of such burning. The Pierce County Sheriff Department must be notified upon termination of the burning event. The permittee and/or property owner assumes all liability of damages or costs incurred as a result of the fire. The permittee shall not leave the fire burning unattended.

- (2) Recreational bonfires regulated. Fires of this nature are subject to town burn bans but do not require a permit. Notice of burn bans are posted at the Town Hall, and on the Town Chair's voicemail.
  - a. The fire pit cannot be more than three feet in diameter.
  - b. The fire must be contained in a pit, ring, or commercial pit.
  - c. The flame cannot be more than three feet high.
  - d. The fire must be at least 20 feet from any neighboring structure or property line.
  - e. No rubbish, yard waste, or treated wood is allowed in the fire pit.
  - f. The fire shall not be left burning unattended.
  - g. The property owner assumes all liability of damages or costs incurred as a result of the fire, including the cost of all fire calls made.

II. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective upon adoption by the Town Board and publication as required by law. This Ordinance replaces the current Town Ordinance 2009 – 01.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

TOWN OF OAK GROVE:

Sarah Palodichuk, Town Chair

Attest: Jim Allen, Town Clerk

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