THE TOWN OF WARREN

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 5-2-5

Police Power of the Department Investigation of Fires

Section 5-2-5 of the Ordinances of the Town of Warren are hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec.5-2-5 Police Power of the Department Investigation of Fires

(a) Police Authority at Fires

- (1) The Chief and assistants or officers of the Village of Roberts Town of Warren Joint Fire Protection Association Fire Department in command at any fire are hereby vested with full and complete police authority at fires Any officer of a Fire Department may cause the arrest of any person failing to give the right of way to the Fire Department in responding to a fire
- (2) The Fire Chief may prescribe certain limits in the vicinity of any fire within which no persons excepting firefighters and law enforcement officers and those admitted by order of any officer of the Fire Department shall be permitted to come The fire official in charge of an emergency scene shall have the authority to establish fire line barriers to control access in the vicinity of such emergency and to secure any street or alley No unauthorized person may cross such fire line barriers
- (3) The Chief shall have the power to cause the removal of any property whenever it shall become necessary for the preservation of such property from fire or to prevent the spreading of fire or to protect the adjoining property and during the progress of any fire he/she shall have the power to cause the removal of all wires or other facilities and the turning off of all electricity or other services where the same impedes the work of the Fire Department during the progress of a fire

(b) Fire Inspection Duties

- (1) The Fire Chief shall be the Fire Inspector in the Town of Warren and shall have the power to appoint one or more deputy Fire Inspectors and shall perform all duties required of the Fire Inspectors by the laws of the State and rules of the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services Commerce particularly Sec 101.14 Wis. Stats.
- (2) While acting as Fire Inspector pursuant to Sec 101.14 Wis. Stats the Fire Chief or any officers of their Fire Department designated by the Fire Chief shall have the right and authority to enter any building or upon any premises in the Town of Warren all reasonable hours for the purpose of making inspections or investigations which under the provisions of this Code of Ordinances he/she may deem necessary. Should the Fire Inspector find that any provisions of this Code relating to fire hazards and prevention of fires are being violated or that a fire hazard exists which should be eliminated it shall be his/her duty to give such directions for the abatement of such conditions as he/she shall deem necessary and if such directions be not complied with to report such noncompliance to his/her Fire Chief and to the Town Board for further action.
- (3) The Fire Chief is required by himself/herself or by officers or members of the Fire Department designated by him/her as fire inspectors to inspect all buildings, premises and public thoroughfares except the interiors of private dwellings for the purpose of ascertaining and causing to be corrected any conditions liable to cause fire or any violations of any law or ordinance relating to the fire hazard or to the prevention of fires. In accord with Wis. Adm. Code Sec. SPS 314.01(13)(b)7, fire inspections of all public buildings and places of employment in the town shall be conducted at least once per calendar year or more often as is ordered by the fire department, provided, however, that the interval between each such inspection shall not exceed fifteen (15) months
- (4) Written reports of inspections shall be made and kept on file in the office of Fire Chief in the manner and form required by the Wisconsin Department Safety and Professional Services. .A copy of such reports shall be filed with the Fire Chief
- (c) Fire Inspectors Handbook. The Fire Inspectors Handbook COMM is hereby adopted and made part of this Code of Ordinances by references

State Law Reference: Sec 101.14(2), W18 Stats.
ADOPTED, 2014.
TOWN OF WARREN
Michael Kamm, Board Chair
Attest:

Deina Shirmer, Town Clerk