

Town of Phelps

Resolution No 2024-06

Fire Chief Authorized to Conduct Fire Inspection Program

WHEREAS, the Town of Phelps Fire Department is staffed with volunteer firefighters and shares in the nationwide crisis of encouraging and retaining qualified candidates to volunteer and be an active member of the organization; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Phelps has several businesses, like many others in our area after the COVID 19 pandemic, struggle in finding and retaining adequate help which forces them to change their hours of operation frequently, making it difficult to gain access to these properties for the purpose of inspections; and

WHEREAS, many businesses have seasonal hours and shut down after our busy season, due to our economy predominately being driven by tourism, making it more difficult to do bi-annual inspections, non-overlapping 6-month period per calendar year, as required under SPS 314.01(1)(13)3 Wisconsin Administrative Code; and

WHEREAS, SPS 314.01(1)(13)5 Wisconsin Administrative Code states in part; "General exception for other municipalities...inspected at least once per calendar year, provided the interval between those inspections does not exceed 15 months; and

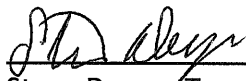
WHEREAS, the Town of Phelps FIRE PROTECTION Ordinance 2015-03 Section 12(1)a. states in part; "The Fire Department will include one or more fire inspectors as approved by the Town Board to conduct a fire inspection program"; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board and the Fire Chief understand the importance of these inspections and will continue to make every effort to conduct bi-annual Fire Inspections whenever possible.

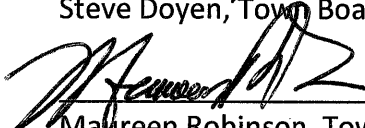
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Phelps will hereby Authorize the Fire Chief to conduct the Fire Inspection Program and require annual Fire inspections which shall occur at least annually and shall not exceed 15 months between these inspection intervals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board will Amend Ordinance 2015-03 FIRE PROTECTION to reflect these changes.

Adopted this 13th day of November 2024.


Steve Doyen, Town Board Chairman


Steve Waier, Town Board Supervisor


Maureen Robinson, Town Board Supervisor


David Selby, Town Board Supervisor


Jeremy Ryan, Town Board Supervisor

Attest: 
Sheryl Ward, Clerk/Treasurer