An Ordinance to regulate the use of the Grand Haven Township Hall by persons, firms, corporations, organizations, and individuals; to prescribe penalties for the violation thereof. To permit exemptions from this Ordinance.

THE TOWNSHIP OF GRAND HAVEN, OTTAWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN
ORDAINS:

12.0410 ARTICLE I: TITLE

12.0411 Sec. 1 TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Township Hall Ordinance.
(Ord. no. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976)

12.0420 ARTICLE II: REQUEST FOR USE OF TOWNSHIP HALL

12.0421 Sec. 1 PERMIT REQUIRED

No persons, firms, corporations, organizations, or individuals shall use the Grand Haven Township Hall for any meeting, gathering, or other purpose without first obtaining a written permit signed by the Township Supervisor, or in his absence, the Township Clerk.
(Ord. no. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976)

12.0422 Sec. 2 REQUESTS IN WRITING

All requests for the use of the Township Hall shall be in written form, on an application provided by the Township Clerk. (Ord. no. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976)

12.0423 Sec. 3 APPLICATION INFORMATION

The applications shall provide the following information:

1. Name and address of the persons, firms, corporations, organizations, or individuals requesting permission to use the Township Hall.

2. Purpose of the intended use.

3. Date and time of the intended use.

4. Length of time of the intended use.
12.0430  ARTICLE III: USES PERMITTED

12.0431  Sec. 1  USES PERMITTED

The Township Hall may be used for any and all of the following:

1. Regular and special meetings of civic, political, labor, school organizations, and corporations.

2. Meetings of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, YMCA, and other similar organizations.

3. Meetings of church and fraternal organizations.

4. Citizens groups meetings provided that the applicant is a bona fide resident of the Township of Grand Haven.

5. Individual and family gatherings provided that the applicant is a bona fide resident of the Township of Grand Haven.

(Ord. No. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976)

12.0440  ARTICLE IV: RENTAL FEES

12.0441  Sec. 1  FEE

There shall be a rental fee of twenty-five dollars ($25) per day payable in advance for the use of the Township Hall. This fee shall be charged to any individual, firm, corporation, or family.

(Ord. No. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976)

12.0442  Sec. 2  EXEMPTIONS

Recognized organizations such as service clubs, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Chamber of Commerce, shall not be subject to a rental charge.

(Ord. No. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976)

12.0450  ARTICLE V: USES NOT PERMITTED

12.0451  Sec. 1  DISRUPTIVE USES

No person, firms, organizations, or individuals shall be permitted to use the Township Hall when in the judgment of the Township Supervisor, or in his absence the Township clerk, the said use shall be disruptive to the normal day to day
operation of the Township.
(Ord. No. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976)

12.0452 Sec. 2 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

No alcoholic beverages shall be permitted on the premises.
(Ord. No. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976)

12.0460 ARTICLE VI: EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE

12.0461 Sec. 1 EXEMPTIONS

The following are exempted from the provisions of this Ordinance:

1. All Township Boards, Commissions, and Committees organized under appropriate statutory authority, or by direction of the Township Board

2. The area wide Fire Departments

3. The area wide Recreation Committee

4. Boards organized by Ottawa County

5. Michigan Townships Association
   (Ord. No. 9 eff. Jan 19, 1976)

12.0470 ARTICLE VII: PENALTIES

12.0471 Sec. 1 PENALTIES

Any person, firm, or corporation which violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction. The sanction for a violation of this ordinance shall be a civil fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00), plus costs and other sanctions. Increased civil fines may be imposed for repeated violations of this ordinance by a person, firm, or corporation. A "repeat violation" of this ordinance is a second or subsequent violation of this ordinance committed by a person, firm or corporation within six (6) months of a prior violation of this ordinance, and for which the person, firm, or corporation admits responsibility or is determined to be responsible. The sanction for a violation of this ordinance which is a first repeat violation shall be a civil fine of not less than two hundred fifty dollars (250.00), plus costs and other sanctions. The sanction for a violation of this ordinance which is a second or subsequent repeat violation shall be a civil fine of not less than five hundred dollars ($500.00), plus costs and other sanctions
12.0472  Sec. 2  PROSECUTION

The Township Supervisor, Township Superintendent (Township Manager), and the Township Attorney are authorized to issue municipal civil infractions citations for violations of this ordinance.
(Ord. no. 9 eff. Jan. 19, 1976, amend. by Ord. no. 220, eff. June 11, 1995)

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