

**VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH  
COUNTY OF BERRIEN  
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2005-65**

Adopted: August 17, 2005

Effective: September 23, 2005

**REGULATION OF WILD ANIMALS ORDINANCE**

An ordinance to regulate the feeding, sheltering and keeping of wild animals within the Village of Grand Beach and to prescribe penalties and enforcement remedies for the violation of this ordinance.

THE VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH ORDAINS:

**SECTION I  
Definitions**

1. "Wild Animal" means any non domesticated animal or any cross of an undomesticated animal.
2. "Feeding" means to provide food or other nourishment whether in a container or otherwise, where such substance is accessible to any wild animal.
3. "Sheltering" or "keeping" means to provide structures or bedding to wild animals.
4. "Burrow" means a hole dug by a small animal, such as a woodchuck or groundhog, for habitation or refuge, excluding moles or rabbits.

**SECTION II  
Exemptions**

This Ordinance shall not apply to the feeding or sheltering or keeping of wild birds, fish or amphibian.

**SECTION III  
Prohibited Conduct**

1. No owner or occupant, firm or corporation having control or management of any residence, dwelling, building, or structure shall allow the feeding of wild animals or allow structures for the keeping or sheltering of wild animals to exist on the premises over which such person, firm or corporation is the owner or exercises control or management; nor shall any person, firm or corporation allow the same to exist within any dedicated public or private street, or alley way within the limits of the Village of Grand Beach.
2. No person shall allow or permit any waste, chips, brush or other materials to accumulate on their lands, premises or building owned or occupied by them so structured or located as to constitute a shelter or bedding area for wild animals.
3. No person shall intentionally allow any burrows on their lands, premises or under their building owned or occupied by them as to constitute a shelter or bedding area for wild animals.

**SECTION IV  
Penalties**

Any person who knows or has reason to know that their action violates any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the county jail for not to exceed 90 days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

**SECTION V  
Severability**

The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any clause, sentence, word, section or provision is declared void or unenforceable for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any portion of this ordinance other than said part or portion thereof.

**SECTION VI  
Repeal**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, except that this Ordinance shall not be construed to repeal any provision in the Zoning Ordinance or the Construction Code.

**SECTION VII  
Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days following its publication after adoption.

**ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.**

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JAMES BRACEWELL, Council President

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MARY ROBERTSON, Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Grand Beach, County of Berrien, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, held on the 17th day of August ,2005, and that said Meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given, pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and that the Minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

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MARY ROBERTSON, Clerk