

**ORDINANCE NO: 53**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PUBLIC NUISANCES AFFECTING PEACE AND SAFETY**

The Town Board of the Town of Grand Rapids, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows with regard to its Town Ordinances:

**53.1 Public Nuisances Affecting Peace and Safety**

No person shall, within the Town, cause or create a public peace or safety nuisance, or permit such nuisance to remain on the premises owned or occupied by him, so as to unreasonably disturb or interfere with the peace, comfort, and repose of owners or possessors of real property.

**53.2 Noise Caused by Vehicles**

No operator of any motor vehicle shall use or activate a compression brake within the Town of Grand Rapids, except in an emergency situation.

**53.3 Definitions**

“Compression Brake” shall mean any braking system of a motor vehicle that modifies engine valve operation to use engine compression to slow the motor vehicle and shall include brakes commonly referred to as “Jake Brakes” or “Engine Brakes”.

**53.4 Emergency**

Emergency situations are defined as circumstances which could not reasonably be foreseen by an alert motor vehicle operator, and the operator is attempting to avoid a collision.

**53.5 Exemption**

Emergency vehicles shall be exempt from this ordinance.

**53.6 Penalties**

Any person or persons who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance or fail to comply therewith, or who shall violate or fail to comply with any order made hereunder, shall, upon conviction, be subjected to a forfeiture per Ordinance 39 “Schedule of Fees and Forfeitures” together with the costs of prosecution.

**This ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its passage and publication as provided by law.**

**HISTORY**

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**Dated**

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