

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF MILLE LACS
PRINCETON TOWNSHIP**

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - 1

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 300 ZONING
ORDINANCE AS IT RELATES TO ALLOWANCES FOR
RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND CAMPGROUNDS INCLUDING
THE ADDITION OF DEFINITIONS TO SECTION 200:020, ADDING
SECTION 300:157 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND
CAMPGROUNDS THAT WOULD ALLOW FOR CAMPGROUNDS
AS A CONDITIONAL USE IN THE AC AGRICULTURE
CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND THE RR RURAL RESIDENTIAL
DISTRICT, AND ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR SEASONAL
RECREATIONAL VEHICLE USE**

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PRINCETON TOWNSHIP
ORDAINS:**

SECTION 1. Section 200:020 is amended to add the definition of Campground, Recreational Camping and Recreational Vehicle:

“Campground” An area, whether public or privately owned, used on a daily, nightly, weekly, or longer basis for the accommodation of five (5) or more tents or recreational camping vehicles.”

“Recreational Camping” The recreational use of land for camping purposes whether by tent, fish house or recreational vehicle, or a structure of less than seven hundred fifty (750) square feet, provided there are four (4) or fewer units on a parcel.

“Recreational Vehicle” A vehicle that is built on a single chassis, is four hundred (400) square feet of less when measured at the largest horizontal projection, is designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck or a car and is designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use. For the purposes of these provisions, the term recreational vehicle shall be synonymous with the term travel trailer/travel vehicle.

SECTION 2. Section 300:157 Recreational Vehicles and Campgrounds is added as follows:

1. Campgrounds shall be allowed only with a Conditional Use in the AC-Agriculture Conservation District, and the RR Rural Residential District, subject to the conditions found below:
 - a. Sewage treatment and wells are provided in compliance with the requirements of Mille Lacs County and Minnesota Rules 7080-7083 or successor rules.
 - b. Tents, recreational vehicles, or fish houses shall comply with the setback requirements of the subject site zoning district.
 - c. A minimum lot area equal to two thousand (2,000) square feet for each recreational vehicle shall be required.
 - d. In shoreland districts, campgrounds shall not exceed twenty-five (25) percent impervious surface coverage.
 - e. A plan for solid waste and recycling disposal shall be provided.
 - f. A plan for lighting shall be provided.
 - g. If applicable, the campground owner or operator shall obtain and maintain a Minnesota Department of Health License.
 - h. Each camping parcel shall have a County-issued 911 address and sign.
2. One (1) recreational vehicle (not to include mobile homes or park trailers) is permitted for seasonal use on a lot with a permanent dwelling or without a permanent dwelling unit provided that the following conditions are met:
 - a. The provisions of this Section do not apply to homeowners who are storing a recreational vehicle on their property.
 - b. Only one (1) such unit is allowed per lot for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days in the same calendar year.
 - c. One (1) recreational vehicle, owned by a non-resident, guest, or visitor, may be parked or occupied by said guest or visitor on property in which a permanent dwelling unit is located for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days in the same calendar year.
 - d. There shall be no on-site disposal of human sewage or grey water on the parcel. Human sewage or grey water shall be collected and

disposed of in a manner consistent with the Minnesota Rules 7080-83 or successor rules and the Mille Lacs County Subsurface Sewage Treatment Ordinance.

- e. The recreational vehicle must have a current license attached in accordance with state law.
 - f. Placement of the unit shall comply with all lake, river, and setback requirements for a principal structure in the applicable zoning district.
 - g. Items used for recreational camping that are left in place permanently must be kept structurally sound, weather tight, and vermin proof.
3. An extension of the time limitations for an additional thirty (30) day period, or a request to allow for two or more recreational vehicles may be granted by the Board of Supervisors.


SECTION 3. The Planning Commission of Princeton Township held a public hearing at their May 1, 2023, meeting, took comments from the public, and recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve amendments to Chapter 300, Zoning Ordinance as it relates to allowances for recreational vehicles and campgrounds including the addition of definitions to Section 200:020, adding Section 300:157 recreational vehicles and campgrounds that would allow for campgrounds as a conditional use in the AC Agriculture Conservation district and the RR Rural Residential District, and establish standards for seasonal recreational vehicle use.

SECTION 4. The Board of Supervisors of Princeton Township held the first reading of this Ordinance at their May 16, 2023, meeting and second reading at their June 20, 2023, meeting.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and publication.


ADOPTED this 20th day of June 2023 by the Board of Supervisors of Princeton Township.

PRINCETON TOWNSHIP



Eugene Stoeckel, Board Chair

ATTEST:



Terry Pflieger, Town Clerk