

ORDINANCE #21
AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE SURFACE USE OF
KNIFE LAKE, KANABEC COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Be it ordained and enacted by the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners, State of Minnesota, that these amendments following, by this act, hereby replace and nullify those like numbered clauses now existing and a part of Kanabec County Ordinance No. 21, or are newly enacted sections which, upon their enactment, become a part of Kanabec County Ordinance No.21.

Section 1.: PURPOSE, INTENT AND APPLICATION: As authorized by Minnesota Statutes 86B.201, 86B.205 and 459.20, AND Minnesota Rules 6110.3000 - 6110.3800 as now in effect and as hereafter amended, this Ordinance is enacted for the purpose and with the intent to control and regulate the use of the waters of Knife Lake in Kanabec County, Minnesota, said bodies of water being located entirely within the boundaries of Kanabec County, to promote its fullest use and enjoyment by the public in general and the citizens of Kanabec County in particular; to insure safety for persons and property in connection with the use of said waters; to harmonize and integrate the varying uses of said waters; and to promote the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Kanabec County, Minnesota.

Section 2.: DEFINITIONS: Terms used in this ordinance related to boating are defined in M.S. § 86B.005.

Section 3.: There shall be and is hereby established a No Wake Zone on Knife Lake, Kanabec County, Minnesota, between the area near the inlet and outlet of Knife River on Knife Lake, Kanabec County, Minnesota.

Section 4.: The Kanabec County Sheriff's Office shall place buoys in the channel northeasterly from the Kanabec County SAH 19 bridge approximately 1,000 feet, and in Knife River west of its inlet to Knife Lake approximately 400 feet .

Section 5.: No one shall operate a watercraft in the area of the buoys near the inlet or outlet of Knife River to Knife Lake at a speed which causes a wake, or 5 knots, whichever is slower.

Section 6.: ENFORCEMENT: The Primary responsibility for enforcement of this ordinance shall rest with the Kanabec County Sheriff's Department. This, however, shall not preclude enforcement by other licensed peace officers.

Section 7.: EXEMPTIONS: All authorized Resource Management, Emergency and Enforcement Personnel, while acting in the performance of their assigned duties are exempt from the foregoing restrictions.

Section 8.: PENALTIES

Subd. 1. First offense in one year shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor with a minor

penalty of \$200.00.

Subd. 2. A subsequent violation with in a given year shall be guilty of a misdemeanor with a maximum penalty of a \$1,000 fine and 90 days in jail or both.

Section 7.: EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall be in effect from and after the date of its publication which is June 21, 2012.