ORDINANCE NO. 282

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND RECREATE ORDINANCE NO. 204 CONCERNING FIREARMS AND OTHER WEAPON REGULATIONS IN THE VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE

WHEREAS, historically, the Village has regulated firearms and other weapons through Ordinance No. 10, subsection 801(1) & (2), and Ordinance No. 38, and Ordinance No. 73, all of which have been repealed by prior enactments, and recreated within Ordinance No. 204 on or about May 21, 2002; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of Ordinance No. 204, the State of Wisconsin has significantly modified and limited local authority with respect to hunting with bow and arrow or crossbow, open carry of firearms, and concealed carry of firearms, among other changes in applicable laws; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board for the Village of Oconomowoc Lake hereby intends to modify its regulations of firearms and other weapons in order to comply with current State laws.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Village Board of the Village of Oconomowoc Lake, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Ordinance No. 204 passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oconomowoc Lake on or about May 21, 2002, is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

(1) <u>Discharging and Carrying Firearms and Other Weapons Regulated</u>. Except as hereinafter provided, no person shall fire or discharge any firearm, spring or air-gun of any description, or other weapon, including a bow and arrow or slingshot, within the Village of Oconomowoc Lake.

(2) Exceptions:

- (a) Law enforcement officers duly designated by the Village, County. State or Federal authorities.
- (b) Shotguns may be fired on private skeet or trap shooting grounds, provided a written permit is first obtained from the Village Board. The application for permit must be accompanied by the written consent of the property owners whose lands immediately adjoin

- the property upon which the skeet or trap shooting ground is to be located.
- (c) Discharge of shotguns used as signaling devices for boat races on Oconomowoc Lake.
- (d) Hunting with a bow and arrow or crossbow is permitted as allowed by Wisconsin Statutes Section 29.038(3)(b)(3) as follows. No person shall hunt with a bow and arrow or crossbow within 100 yards from a building located on another person's land, provided that this prohibition does not apply if the person who owns the land on which the building is located allows the hunter to hunt within 100 yards of the building. Any person who hunts with a bow and arrow or crossbow must discharge the arrow or bolt from the respective weapon toward the ground, such as from a tree stand.
- (e) Slingshots and air rifles also may be discharged upon an owner's property, or upon the property of another with written permission of the property owners, provided the same are fired at targets provided for that purpose. The targets must be located so as to protect the property and safety of other persons.
- (f) Weapons classified and used for purposes of rodent eradication, provided written permission for such use is first obtained from the Police Chief or his designee.

SECTION 2: SEVERABILITY.

The several sections of this ordinance are declared to be severable. If any section or portion thereof shall be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unlawful or unenforceable, such decision shall apply only to the specific section or portion thereof directly specified in the decision, and shall not affect the validity of any other provisions, sections or portions thereof of the ordinance. The remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. Any other ordinances whose terms are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to those terms that conflict.

<u>SECTION 3</u>: <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and posting or publication as provided by law.

Dated this	2/5+	_day of	November	, 2016.
			VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE	

Joe Birbaum, Village President

ATTEST:

Jennifer A. Moore, Village Clerk/Treasurer