ORDINANCE

The County Board of Otter Tail County ordains:

I. General Provisions

A. Title: This Ordinance from the date of its passage shall be entitled:

THE INDIAN LAKE OF DEAD LAKE TOWNSHIP
WATER SURFACE USE ORDINANCE

B. Purpose: The purpose of this Ordinance shall be to enhance the public health, safety and general welfare by regulating and limiting all boats operated, placed or maintained in or upon Indian Lake in Dead Lake Township.

C. Legal Authority: This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §86B.201-86B.211 and Minnesota Rules 6110.3000 - .3800 entitled regulation of surface water use.

II. Definitions

A. Words and phrases when used in this Ordinance have the meanings as set out in Minnesota Statute §86B.005.

B. “Indian Lake” (56-327) is that body of water which bears that name and is located in Sections 33 and 34 of Dead Lake Township, wholly within the boundaries of Otter Tail County, Minnesota.

III. Limitation on Boats and Boating

No person shall operate, place or maintain any motorboat in or upon Indian Lake equipped with any motor other than an electric trolling motor.

IV. Enforcement

The primary responsibility for enforcement of this Ordinance shall rest with the Otter Tail County Sheriff's Department. This, however, shall not preclude enforcement by other licensed peace officers.

V. Exemptions.

All authorized resource management, emergency and enforcement personnel, while acting in the performance of their assigned duties are exempt from the foregoing restrictions.
VI. Notification

It shall be the responsibility of Otter Tail County to provide for adequate notification of the public, which shall include placement of a sign at each public watercraft access outlining essential elements of the Ordinance, as well as the placement of any other necessary buoys and signs.

VII. Penalties

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished as is authorized by Minnesota Statute for misdemeanors.

VIII. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication.