

IONIA TOWNSHIP

ORDINANCE NO. 3-22

HUNTING PROHIBITION ORDINANCE

An Ordinance to prohibit hunting upon Township property; to provide penalties for the violation of the Ordinance; and to establish an effective date.

THE TOWNSHIP OF IONIA, IONIA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

Section 1. Title.

This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Ionia Township Hunting Prohibition Ordinance.

Section 2. Prohibition.

No person (any natural person, firm, association, d/b/a, co-partnership, corporation, or limited liability company) may hunt or trap or attempt to hunt or trap any animal or bird on any real property owned and controlled by the Township. This prohibition shall not apply to persons authorized in writing by the Township Supervisor to hunt or trap animals or birds in the interest of public safety.

Section 3. Penalty.

- (a) Any person violating or permitting to be violated any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed responsible for a civil infraction.
- (b) Any person responsible for a civil infraction under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punishable upon a first conviction by a fine not more than \$100.00, and responsible for a second infraction within a period of one year by a fine of not more than \$200.00, and for a third or any subsequent infraction within a one year period by a fine of not more than \$500.00.
- (c) Each person shall be responsible for a separate offense for each and every day during which any violation of any provision of this Ordinance is committed, continued, or permitted by such person, and the person shall be punishable accordingly.

- (d) The Township Supervisor is authorized to designate particular officers or employees of the Township who shall be authorized to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Severability.

This Ordinance and its various parts, sections, subsections, sentences, phrases, and clauses are severable. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, phrase, or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected.

Section 5. Administrative Liability.

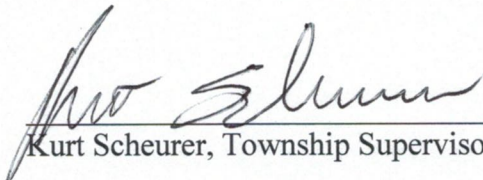
No officer, agent, or employee of the Township, or member of the Township Board, shall be personally liable for any damage that may accrue to any person as a result of any act, decision, or other consequence or occurrence arising out of the discharge of duties and responsibilities pursuant to this Ordinance.

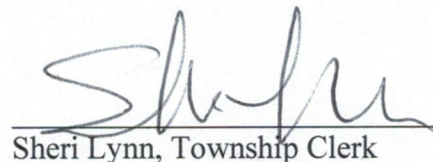
Section 6. Repeal.

All ordinances or their parts which are in conflict in whole or in part with any of the provisions of this Ordinance as of the effective date of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict, except that terms defined in this Ordinance for purposes of interpretation, administration, and enforcement of this Ordinance will in no manner repeal, modify, or otherwise change the definition of any such terms as used in other Township ordinances.

Section 7. Effective Date.

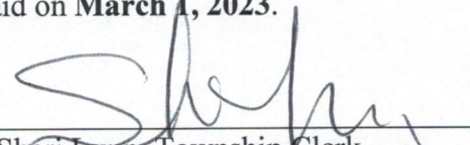
This Ordinance was approved and adopted by the Township Board of Ionia Township, Ionia County, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on **February 13, 2023**, and it is ordered to take effect 30 days after publication in the **Ionia County Shopper's Guide**, a newspaper with general circulation in the Township.


Kurt Scheurer, Township Supervisor


Sheri Lynn, Township Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, **Sheri Lynn**, the Clerk for the Township of Ionia, Ionia County, Michigan, certify that the foregoing Ionia Township Hunting Prohibition Ordinance was adopted at a meeting of the Ionia Township Board of Trustees held on **February 13, 2023**. The following members of the Township Board were present at that meeting: **Scheurer, Lynn, Harp, Pitchford and McCoy**. The following members of the Township Board were absent: **none**. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board with members of the Township Board **Scheurer, Lynn, Harp, Pitchford and McCoy** voting in favor and **none** members of the Township Board voting in opposition. The full text or a summary of the Ordinance was published in the **Ionia County Shopper's Guide** on **March 4, 2023**. A certified copy of the Ordinance was sent to the Ionia County Clerk, by first-class mail with postage pre-paid on **March 1, 2023**.



Sheri Lynn, Township Clerk