

ORDINANCE # 2026-04
FIRE INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS
TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY, ST. CROIX COUNTY, WI

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, has authority under Wis. Stat. §101.14(4)(b) over the inspection of public buildings in the Town for fire hazards and to enforce fire safety laws; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, finds it necessary to require the inspection of public properties and buildings for fire hazards within the Town of Pleasant Valley; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. FIRE INSPECTOR. The fire chief shall hold the office of fire inspector and may appoint one or more deputy fire inspectors, who shall perform the same duties and have the same powers as the fire inspector.

SECTION 2. DUTY OF INSPECTION. The fire inspector shall inspect once per calendar year, provided the interval between those inspections does not exceed 15 months, all public buildings, premises and thoroughfares within the fire limits and within the Town to note and cause to be corrected any conditions liable to cause fires. Repairs or alterations necessary to remove a hazardous condition shall be made within a reasonable time at the owner's expense.

SECTION 3. RECORDS AND REPORTS OF INSPECTIONS. The fire inspector shall keep a written record card of each property inspected which shall conform to the requirements of the state Department of Commerce and shall make the report of inspections required by such department.

SECTION 4. CORRECTION OF FIRE HAZARDS. When any inspection by the fire inspector or his deputy reveals a fire hazard, the inspector or his deputy may serve notice, in writing, upon the owner of the property, giving such owner a reasonable time in which to remove the hazard. If the fire hazard is not removed within the time allowed, it shall be deemed a nuisance, and the fire inspector or his deputy may have the same remedied by the Town, and the costs of such remedy shall be recovered in an action by the Town against the owner of the property and may also be entered in the tax roll as a special charge against the property.

SECTION 5. COMPLIANCE WITH FIRE INSPECTOR. No person shall deny the fire inspector or his deputy free access to any property within the Town at any reasonable time to make fire inspections. No person shall hinder or obstruct the fire inspector in the performance of his duty or refuse to observe any lawful direction given by him.

SECTION 6. FIRE INSPECTION FEE. The fee is set by the inspecting fire department or fire chief and will be paid by the property owner. On occasions where the Town is billed for the inspection, the property owner shall reimburse the Town.

SECTION 7. REVOCATION OF ANY PRECEDING ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION. This Ordinance hereby revokes and supersedes any prior Resolutions or Ordinances adopted by the Town Board relating to the subject matter herein.

SECTION 8. VALIDITY. Should any section, clause or provision of this ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect validity of the ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part declared to be invalid.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall become effective following publication and/or posting in the manner set forth in Wis. Stat. §60.80.

Adopted this 12 day of May, 2026.

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY

By: Tom Zwald
Tom Zwald, Town Chair

By: Curtis Dunn
Curtis Dunn, Supervisor

By: Dylan McHenry
Dylan McHenry, Supervisor

Attest: Mara DeBoe
Mara DeBoe, Town Clerk

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ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION

I, Mara DeBoe, being the Town Clerk of the Town of Pleasant Valley, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, hereby certify that on May 12, 2026, Ordinance No. 2026-04, was duly enacted by the Town of Pleasant Valley, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, and entered into the Town of Pleasant Valley record books.

This Ordinance was posted on the Town website (townpleasantvalley.com) and at the Town Hall, 1630 30th Ave, Hammond, on May 14, 2026.

Dated this 14th day of May, 2026

Mara DeBoe
Mara DeBoe, Town Clerk