

BARRON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 18

**Ordinance Amending Barron County General Code
Entitled Parks and Recreation**

The Barron County Board of Supervisors ordains as follows

1 **WHEREAS**, the Property Committee is recommending an Amendment to Chapter
2 42 to create the attached Parks and Recreation Section of Chapter 42.43 addressing
3 concerns raised by individuals grazing livestock in the County Forest without permission;
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6 **WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the Property Committee that the Barron
7 County Board of Supervisors adopt this Ordinance amending Chapter 42 and create Section
8 42.43 of the Barron County General Code as follows:
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10 “No person shall keep, maintain or graze any livestock, including but not
11 limited to horses, cattle, sheep, pigs or poultry on any County property
12 including County Forest Land and County Parks unless so designated or
13 authorized.”
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15 **WHEREAS**, this Ordinance was approved by the Property Committee on August
16 27, 2026 on a vote of 6-0, with Bartlett, Eby, Fowler, Heller, Krug & Moen voting in favor,
17 Schradle absent and no members voting against.
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19 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** that the Barron County Board of
20 Supervisors does hereby amend Chapter 42, and create Section 42.43 of the Barron County
21 General Code as follows:
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23 “No person shall keep, maintain or graze any livestock, including but not
24 limited to horses, cattle, sheep, pigs or poultry on any County property
25 including County Forest Land and County Parks unless so designated or
26 authorized.”
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28 **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this Ordinance shall be effective upon its
29 adoption and publication and that publication of this ordinance may occur through posting
30 in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
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OFFERED THIS 14th day of September, 2026.

Number of readings required: One (☒) Two (☐) Vote required for passage: Majority (☒) 2/3 Entire Board (20) (☐) Source of funding: Budgeted (☐) General Fund (☐) Grant (☐) Contingency (☐) Other (☒) Details: N / A Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$ - 0 - - Future years total amount: \$ - 0 - - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ - 0 - - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ - 0 - Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department _____ Michelle Drury, Finance Director Approved as to form by: _____ Jeffrey French, Administrator _____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel	_____ Dana Heller, Property Committee Chair (The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.) Board Action: Adopted (☒) Failed (☐) Tabled (☐) Motion: (Cook/Eby) to approve. Corporation Counsel Muench gave an overview of the request and the need for an ordinance amendment. Corporation Counsel Muench also answered various questions from the Board. Carried with 27 Yes and 2 Absent (Langman & Schradle).
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