

Dance Hall Ordinance
Town of Duluth, St. Louis County, Minnesota
Ordinance No. 1

An Ordinance regulating the establishment and operation of public Dance Halls and places where public dancing may be held in the Town of Duluth, St. Louis County, Minnesota.

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The Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Duluth does hereby Ordain:

Article I. Title

This Ordinance may be known and may be cited as the Town of Duluth Dance Hall Ordinance, 1975, Ordinance No. 1

Article II.

Public dancing in commercial establishments, taverns, dance halls or dance pavilions, within the Town of Duluth shall not be permitted unless the owner or operator thereof shall have first obtained a license for such dancing from the Clerk of the Town of Duluth.

Article III.

Application for such permits shall be upon such forms as shall be prescribed and approved by the Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Duluth.

Article IV.

As a condition precedent to the issuance of any such license, the applicant shall consent to the inspection of the premises at any time by the Town Constable and/or the Fire Department of the Town of Duluth.

Article V.

The license fee for dance halls or public dances shall be as follows:

For one dance- - - - - \$1.00
Annual License- - - - - \$5.00

Article VI.

A Town Constable shall be in attendance at all public dances. Arrangements for the attendance of such Town Constable shall be made by the operator or sponsor of such dance with a Town Constable, and the compensation of such Town Constable shall be in accordance with such rate and schedule as the Town Board of Supervisors shall establish by resolution.

Article VII.

Such licenses and permits as shall be issued may be subject to review upon complaint of any member of the Town Board, any Town Constable, or three or more citizens, and such complaint shall be heard by the Town Board of Supervisors only with its approval. If it shall hear such complaint it may thereafter, if it deems

such complaint justified, cancel such permit and license and such license holder shall not again be eligible for a dance hall license for a period of one (1) year. Complaints may be made on the grounds that the establishment is a public nuisance, that vagrants are permitted to remain on the premises, that one or more assaults have been had or made upon the premises, or that repeatedly patrons have been guilty of the commission of misdemeanors upon said premises.

Article VIII.

Nothing contained herein shall affect dances in commercial restaurants and bars.

Article IX.

Any person who violates this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00)

Article X.

This Ordinance shall take effect after its passage and publication.

Dated this 8th day of January 1975

Town Clerk: *Dorothy Blomquist*

Chairman: *Orrin H. Moe*

Supervisor: *Walter Johnson*

Supervisor: *Alvera Pierson*