

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that there will be a Public Hearing before the Town Board of the Town of Chester on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 7:00 pm at the Town of Chester Municipal Center located at 6307 State Route 9, Chestertown, New York regarding the Proposed Local Law Repealing and Replacing Town of Chester Local Law No. 1 of 2011 Regulating Operation of Vessels on Loon Lake.

The Proposed Local Law is available online at <https://www.townofchesterny.org/town-board.html> or by calling 518-494-5160.

At this time, the Town Municipal Center is closed to the public; therefore, this public hearing will be held via Zoom videoconference. Meeting details will be posted on the "Public Notices" tab on the Town of Chester Website: www.townofchesterny.org. All interested parties will be heard.

Any persons wishing to send communications in relation thereto to the Town Clerk, P.O. Box 467, Chestertown, NY 12817 or through email townclerk104@gmail.com, **no later than April 9, 2021, 12:00 pm noon.**

By Order of the Board

Town of Chester

Mindy Conway, Town Clerk

Dated: Tuesday, March 23, 2021

TOWN OF CHESTER

**A LOCAL LAW REPEALING AND REPLACING
TOWN OF CHESTER LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2011
REGULATING OPERATION OF VESSELS ON LOON LAKE**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CHESTER TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Purpose and Authority. The purpose of this Local Law is to repeal and replace Town of Chester Local Law No. 1 of 2011 entitled "A Local Law Regulating the Speed of Vessels in Portions of Loon Lake" to add additional regulation of the operation of vessels in Loon Lake. It is adopted pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law §10.

Section 2. Regulation of Vessel Speed in Certain Areas. No vessel shall be operated at a speed greater than 5 miles per hour in the waters of Loon Lake in the Town of Chester, New York, within 100 feet (200 feet for personal watercraft (PWC)) from any shoreline, dock, pier, float, raft or anchored vessel unless such vessel is being operated within such area for the purpose of enabling a person(s) engaged in water skiing to take off or land. The shaded area as indicated for "5 MPH Speed Zones" in the key shown in the attached map entitled Loon Lake Proposed Speed Limit Zones indicates the 100 and 200 foot limits from the shoreline. PWCs must maintain a safe speed and operating distance from other vessels.

Section 3. Regulation of Vessels Towing an Item or Person. Any motorized vessel towing an item or a person must stay a minimum of 200 feet from any shoreline, dock, float or anchored vessel unless leaving or returning to a launching or docking area.

Section 4. Regulation of Berthing and Recreating. No motorized vessel shall anchor, moor or recreate on the waters of Loon Lake within 100 feet of a dock or swim platform. This shall not apply to: (a) fishing from vessels, provided such fishing does not create a hazard to near-shore recreational activities such as swimming, or (b) emergency use of such waters.

Section 5. Penalties. Any person who violates any provision of this Local Law shall be deemed guilty of a violation and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) for the first violation and not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) for each subsequent violation.

Section 6. Repeal, Adoption and Supersession. As indicated above, Town of Chester Local Law No. 1 of 2011 entitled "A Local Law Regulating the Speed of Vessels

in Portions of Loon Lake” is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced by this Local Law which is specifically intended to supersede Town of Chester Local Law No. 1 of 2011. If there is any conflict or discrepancy between this Local Law and Local Law No. 1 of 1996, entitled “A Local Law of the Town of Chester as it Relates to Operation of Personal Watercraft“ relating to operation of PWC on any public water body in the Town, the provisions of this Local Law shall apply.

Section 7. Severability. If any part of this Local Law is declared invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect or impair in any way any other provision and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

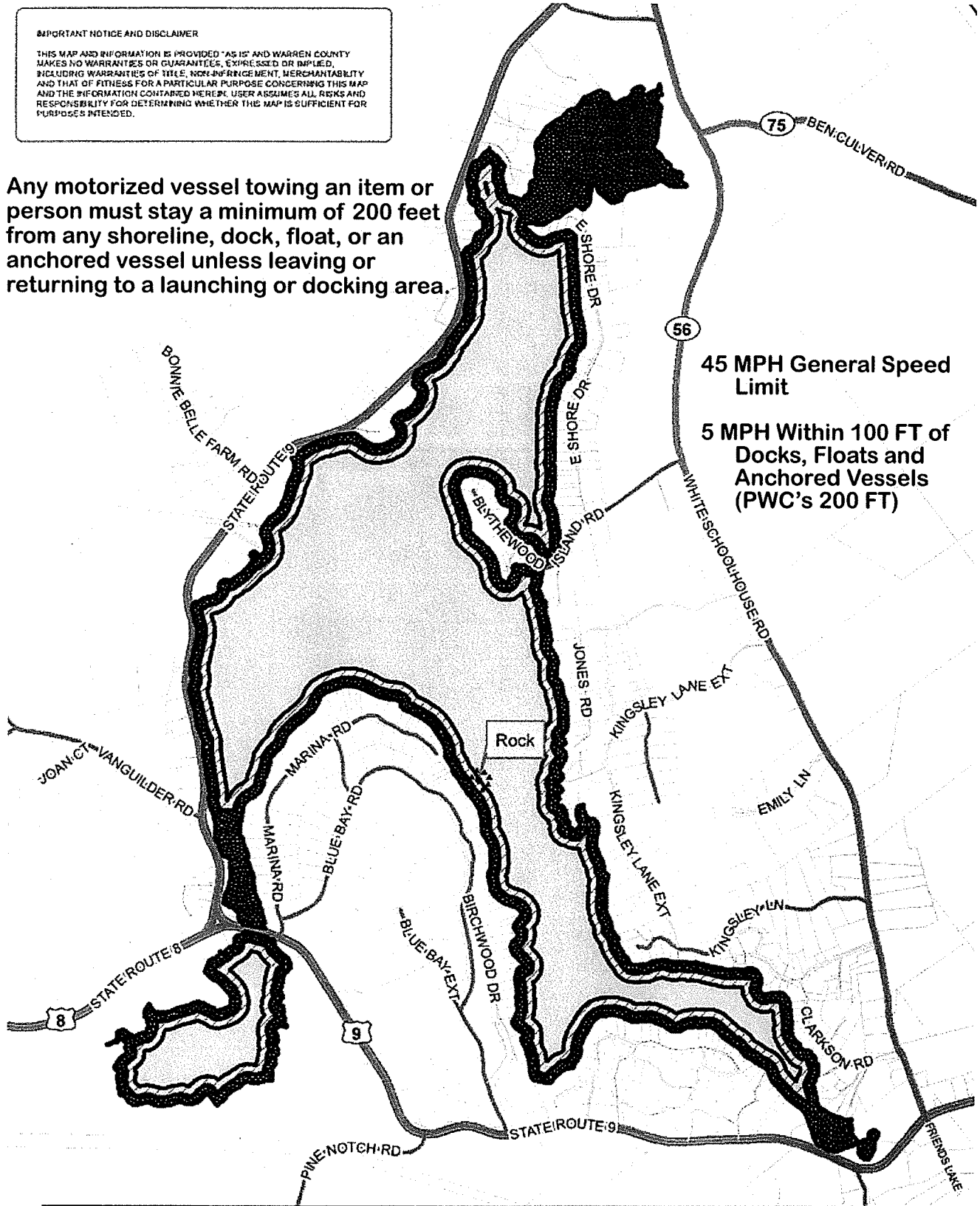
Section 8. Effective Date. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing by the Department of State as provided Municipal in Home Rule Law.

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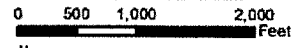
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45 MPH General Speed Limit
5 MPH Within 100 FT of Docks, Floats and Anchored Vessels (PWC's 200 FT)

- 5 MPH 100 Ft All Vessel Buffer
- 5 MPH 200 Ft PWC & Ski/Towing Buffer
- TAX PARCELS
- LOON LAKE

LOON LAKE
SPEED LIMIT ZONES



Map prepared by the Warren County GIS Program in February 2011

