

## Agenda

**RESOLUTION # 11-2024  
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #06-2025**

**CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 9.58 TOURIST ROOMING HOUSE OF THE  
ONEIDA COUNTY ZONING AND SHORELAND PROTECTION ORDINANCE**

## Resolution to amend Chapter 9, Article 5, Section 9.58 Tourist Rooming House

## Resolution offered by the Planning and Development Committee

10 Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the  
11 Planning and Development Committee

13 Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

15           **WHEREAS**, the Planning & Development Committee, having considered Ordinance  
16 Amendment #06-2025, which was filed June 5, 2025 (copy attached) to amend Section 9.58 of  
17 the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance, and having given notice  
18 thereof as provided by law and having held a public hearing thereon August 20, 2025, pursuant  
19 to § 59.69(5), Wisconsin Statutes, and having been informed of the facts pertinent to the  
20 changes which are as follows:

22        WHEREAS, on June 23, 2025, the Planning and Zoning Department sent a memo (copy  
23 attached) to all of the Oneida County Town Clerks and Chairpersons discussing the proposed  
24 ordinance amendment and including the current language. Out of the 21 townships in Oneida  
25 County, eight responded with four towns in opposition and four towns in support of the  
26 ordinance amendment; and

28           **WHEREAS**, on August 20, 2025, the Planning and Development Committee held a  
29 public hearing and the adjoining landowners were provided with a written notice of the change  
30 and there were 10 public comments received, 9 people spoke concerning the proposed  
31 changes; and

33           **WHEREAS**, the Planning and Development Committee has carefully studied the  
34 proposed changes after listening to comments made at the public hearing and recommends  
35 denial.

37                   **WHEREAS**, the Planning & Development Committee, being fully informed of the facts  
38 and after full consideration of the matter, made the following findings and recommendation,  
39 which the Oneida County Board of Supervisors has determined are reasonable:

1. The Planning and Development Committee would like to acknowledge the housing shortage and concerns that many townships and constituents have concerning this issue.
2. The Planning and Development Committee would like to acknowledge the concerns that many townships and constituents have concerning with protecting the single family zoning district.

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3. The Planning and Development Committee would recommend creating an additional zoning district for towns to adopt that would like to allow no more than one (1) rental per seven (7) day period.

**WHEREAS**, on September 16, 2025, the Oneida County Board of Supervisors voted on the Denial Report with 12 "Nays," 3 "Ayes," and 6 absent. The Denial Report was not accepted.

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 59.69(5)(e)5m, the Oneida County Board of Supervisors refused to deny the Petition as recommended by the Planning and Development Committee. Therefore, the Planning and Development Committee drafted an ordinance amendment to effectuate the Petition, and is reporting the ordinance amendment back to the Oneida County Board of Supervisors, in which they may enact or reject the ordinance amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES  
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Chapter 9 of the General Code of Oneida County, Wisconsin follows [additions noted by underline, deletions noted by strikethrough]:

## 9.58 TOURIST ROOMING HOUSE (4-2019, 8-2020,7-2022,1-2024)

#### D. Tourist Rooming House Requirements

3. A tourist rooming house shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Tourist rooming house rentals of six (6) consecutive days or less are prohibited. shall be limited to no more than one (1) rental per seven (7) day period in the following zoning districts:
  - (1) District #1B Forestry
  - (2) District #1C Forestry
  - (3) District #02 Single Family
  - (4) District #08 Manufacturing/Industrial
  - (5) District #15 Rural Residential

The County Clerk shall, within seven (7) days after adoption of Ordinance Amendment #06-2025 by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors, cause a certified copy thereof to be transmitted by mail to the Town Clerks of Oneida County and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Planning and Development Committee  
this 13th day of November, 2025.

Vote Required: Majority =  2/3 Majority =  3/4 Majority =

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96  
 97 The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes  No  as reviewed by  
 98 the Corporation Counsel, Mark, Date: 11/17/25

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 100 Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Planning and Development Committee  
 101 this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025.

102 Consent Agenda Item: YES  NO

106 **Fiscal Impact**

Offered and passage moved by:

107  
 108  Included in  
 109 Resolution  
 110  Attached  
 111  
 112  N/A

	Aye	Nay	Abstain
<u>Scott Holewinski</u> Supervisor (Scott Holewinski)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Dan Hess</u> Supervisor (Dan Hess)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Bob Almekinder</u> Supervisor (Bob Almekinder)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>UNDEP ROTEST</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Billy Fried</u> Supervisor (Billy Fried)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Mitchell Ives</u> Supervisor (Mitchell Ives)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

124        Ayes

125        Nays

126        Absent

127        Abstain

128        Adopted

129 by the County Board of Supervisors this        day                   , 2025.

130        Defeated

131 Tracy Hartman, County Clerk

132 Scott Holewinski, County Board Chair

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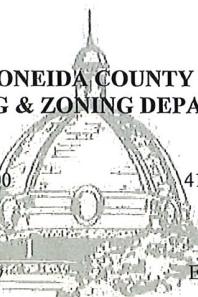
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**Memorandum**

**To:** Oneida County Town Clerks and Chairpersons  
**Cc:** Planning and Development Committee  
**From:** Karl Jenrich, Director   
**Date:** June 23, 2025  
**Re:** Ordinance Amendment #06-2025 to amend Chapter 9, Article 5, Section 9.58 Tourist Rooming House of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance

All,

County Board District #13 Supervisor Collette Sorgel is proposing an Ordinance Amendment to Section 9.58, Tourist Rooming House. The ordinance amendment could allow one (1) rental per seven (7) day period in the following zoning districts:

1. District #1B Forestry;
2. District #1C Forestry;
3. District #02 Single Family;
4. District #08 Manufacturing/Industrial; and
5. District #15 Rural Residential

Currently, Section 9.58(D)(3)a prohibits tourist rooming house rentals of six (6) consecutive days or less in the districts listed above. I have enclosed both the current language and the Petition with the proposed language for your reference.

The Planning and Development Committee would like the towns' input on this matter. If your town has any comments, please send them prior to the public hearing to zoning@oneidacountywi.gov. You will also have a chance to provide public comments at the public hearing. Once a public hearing is scheduled, you will receive notice of that. The public hearing will tentatively be scheduled for August 20, 2025.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached at 715-369-9176 or kjenrich@oneidacountywi.gov.

Thank you.

**Agenda****PETITION**

To: Oneida County Board of Supervisors  
 Oneida County Clerk, Courthouse  
 P.O. Box 400  
 Rhinelander, WI 54501

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK  
 ONEIDA COUNTY  
 JUN 05 2025  
 ONEIDA COUNTY CLERK

PETITION NO. D6-2025  
 RECEIPT NO. N/A  
 FEE PAID N/A-CB Supervisors  
 DATE REC'D 6-5-25

Please choose one of the following (1 or 2 below):

1. The undersigned hereby petitions the Oneida County Board of Supervisors to change the zoning district classification of the following described land in the Town of \_\_\_\_\_

Oneida County, Wisconsin, from \_\_\_\_\_ zoning district to \_\_\_\_\_ zoning district:

Insert property description. Attach map.

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 ONEIDA COUNTY  
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Reason for rezone:

2. The undersigned hereby petitions the Oneida County Board of Supervisors to amend Chapter 9, Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance as follows:

Insert proposed language or attach a separate sheet.

See attached

Reason for the amendment:

Respectfully submitted on the 5 day of June 2025 by:

Owner name:	Agent name:
	<u>Collette Sorgel, District #13 Supervisor</u>
Address:	Address:
	<u>6463 Cedar Crest Lane</u>
City/State/Zip:	City/State/Zip:
	<u>Three Lakes, WI 54562</u>
Telephone No:	Telephone No:
	<u>715-477-0001</u>
Signature	Signature
	<u>Collette Sorgel</u>

Revised 6/2025

**Agenda****NOTICE TO PETITIONERS**

Procedures to rezone/amend this ordinance are required to comply with the provisions of statute and administrative rule as described in Section 9.86 of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance.

1. You are required to pay a fee in the amount of \$600.00 payable to Oneida County Planning and Zoning at the time your petition is filed.
2. Petitions shall be filed with the County Clerk at least two weeks in advance of the County Board meeting at which your petition will be considered.
3. Notice of Public Hearing on your petition will be published as a Class II Notice under Chapter 985, Wisconsin Statutes. You or your agent are required to attend the hearing and will be notified of the time and location.
4. You must provide a (plat/wetland/floodplain) map with the boundaries of any area you wish to rezone clearly depicted.
5. The criteria which the Planning & Development Committee must consider in order to reach a decision on your petition are stated in the ordinance:

Section 9.86 – Floodplain & Comprehensive  
 Section 9.91 (F) – Shoreland – Wetland

You must provide a written statement to the committee addressing each of these criteria as they relate to your proposed amendment/rezoning.

**Shoreland-Wetland Rezoning/Amendment Criteria**

Section 9.91 (F)(2) A wetland, or a portion thereof, in the Shoreland-Wetland district shall not be rezoned if the proposed rezoning may result in a significant adverse impact upon any of the following:

1. Storm and flood water storage capacity.
2. Maintenance of dry season stream flow, the discharge of groundwater to a wetland, the recharge of groundwater from a wetland to another area, or the flow of groundwater through a wetland.
3. Filtering or storage of sediments, nutrients, heavy metals or organic compounds that would otherwise drain into navigable waters.
4. Shoreline protection against soil erosion.
5. Fish spawning, breeding, nursery or feeding grounds.
6. Wildlife habitat.
7. Areas of special recreational, scenic or scientific interest, including scarce wetland types.

Section 9.91 (F)(3) If the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has notified the committee that a proposed amendment to the Shoreland-Wetland District may have a significant adverse impact upon any of the criteria listed in Section 9.91 (F)(2) of this ordinance, that amendment, if approved by the County Board, shall contain the following provision: "This amendment shall not take effect until more than thirty (30) days have elapsed since written notice of the County Board's approval of this amendment was mailed to the DNR. During that 30-day period the DNR may notify the County Board that it will adopt a superseding Shoreland Ordinance for the county under sec. 59.692 (6), Wis. Stats. If the DNR does so notify the County Board, the effect of this amendment shall be stayed until sec. 59.692 (6), Wis. Stats., adoption procedure is completed and otherwise terminated."

## ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #06-2025

## CHAPTER 9

## ARTICLE 5 – Additional Types of Uses

## SECTION 9.58 – Tourist Rooming House

Additions noted by underline; deletions noted by ~~strike~~

Section 9.58 remains the same except:

## 9.58 TOURIST ROOMING HOUSE (4-2019, 8-2020,7-2022,1-2024)

## D. Tourist Rooming House Requirements

3. A tourist rooming house shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Tourist rooming house rentals of six (6) consecutive days or less are prohibited shall be limited to no more than one (1) rental per seven (7) day period in the following zoning districts:
  - (1) District #1B Forestry
  - (2) District #1C Forestry
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  - (4) District #08 Manufacturing/Industrial
  - (5) District #15 Rural Residential

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## E. Location

1. Chicken/duck coops and pens shall not be located closer than fifty (50) feet to any lot line.
2. Chicken/duck coops and pens shall not be located closer than seventy-five (75) feet from the ordinary high water mark (OHWM) of any lake, river or stream.
3. Chicken coops and pens, pursuant to this section are allowed in District #2 - Single Family Residential, District #4 – Residential and Farming, District #10 – General Use, District #14 – Residential and Retail and District #15 – Rural Residential.
4. Minimum lot size is one acre.

## F. Other Provisions

Poultry are still allowed in District #4 - Residential and Farming, District #10 - General Use, District #14 - Residential and Retail, and District #15 - Rural Residential pursuant to the requirements in those sections.

9.57 MORATORIUM ON LIVESTOCK FACILITIES LICENSING (2-2020,2-2021,9-2021)  
Removed from ordinance as moratorium expired March 1, 2022)

## 9.58 TOURIST ROOMING HOUSE (4-2019, 8-2020,7-2022,1-2024)

## A. Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to ensure the quality of tourist rooming houses operating within the county is adequate for protecting public health, safety and general welfare, including establishing minimum standards of space for human occupancy and for an adequate level of maintenance; determining the responsibilities of owners, operators, and resident agents offering these properties for tourists, for collection of taxes, to protect the character and stability of all areas within the county; to provide minimum standards necessary for the health and safety of persons occupying or using buildings, structures or premises; and provisions for the administration and enforcement thereof.

## B. Exemptions

The following operations are exempt from complying with the requirements of this article:

1. A private boarding or rooming house, ordinarily conducted as such, not accommodating tourists or transients.
2. A hotel, motel, or resort license issued by the State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP),

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pursuant to §97.605, Wis. Stats., or a designated local health department pursuant to §97.625, Wis. Stats., directly or through its agent.

3. Bed and breakfast establishments.

**C. Definitions**

1. The following definitions and conditions apply unless specifically modified:
  - a. **Corporate Entity:** A corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or sole proprietorship authorized to conduct business in this state.
  - b. **Department:** Oneida County Planning and Zoning Department.
  - c. **Dwelling:** A detached structure or part thereof designed or used as a residence or sleeping place and includes a manufactured home, but does not include boarding or lodging houses, motels, hotels, tents, or tourist cabins.
  - d. **Dwelling Unit:** A room or group of rooms constituting all or part of a dwelling, which are arranged, designed, used or intended for use as a living quarters for one family.
  - e. **Owner:** The owner of a short-term rental.
  - f. **Permit:** Administrative Review Permit issued under Article 3, Section 9.36 - Procedure for Administrative Review Permits.
  - g. **Person:** Shall include a corporation firm, partnership, association, organization, and any other group acting as a unit as well as individuals including a personal representative appointed according to law. Whenever the word person is used in any section of this article prescribing a penalty or fine as to partnerships or associations, the word shall include the partners or members hereof, and as to corporations, shall include the officers, agents, or members thereof who are responsible for any violation of such section.
  - h. **Resident Agent:** An owner meeting the qualifications for a resident agent as set forth in section 9.58(G) or a person appointed by the owner of a tourist rooming house to act as agent on behalf of the owner.
  - i. **State:** State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, or its designee.
  - j. **Tourist or Transient:** A person who travels from place to place away from his or her permanent residence for vacation, pleasure, recreation, culture, business, or employment.
  - k. **Tourist Rooming House (TRH):** Any lodging, place, tourist cabin, or cottage where sleeping accommodations are offered for pay to

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tourist or transients, or to persons who stay or intend to stay for thirty (30) days or less.

#### D. Tourist Rooming House Requirements

1. No person may operate a tourist rooming house without an Administrative Review Permit (ARP).
2. Every tourist rooming house shall be operated by a resident agent.
3. A tourist rooming house shall meet the following minimum requirements:
  - a. Tourist rooming house rentals of six (6) consecutive days or less are prohibited in the following zoning districts:
    - (1) District #1B Forestry
    - (2) District #1C Forestry
    - (3) District #02 Single Family
    - (4) District #08 Manufacturing/Industrial
    - (5) District #15 Rural Residential
  - b. Maximum occupancy for a tourist rooming house served by a Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System (POWTS) is limited to the number of occupants for which the POWTS was designed, or the occupancy granted by the State tourist rooming house license, whichever is less.
  - c. Maximum occupancy for a tourist rooming house served by a public sewage facility is limited to the number of occupants authorized by the State tourist rooming house license issued by the State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection in accordance with Wisconsin Administrative Code ATCP 72.
  - d. Off-street parking of 1.1 parking space for each bedroom in compliance with Article 7, Section 9.77(E).
  - e. On-street parking is prohibited, unless allowed by the governmental entity having jurisdiction over the public road.
  - f. No recreational vehicles, campers, tents, or other temporary lodging arrangements shall be permitted onsite as a means of providing additional accommodations for paying guests or other invitees.
  - g. Compliance with all state, county, and town regulations.
  - h. Signage. Signage shall not exceed twelve square feet. No other signage is permitted on site or any adjoining lake or water body. A sign permit is required pursuant to Article 7, Section 9.78(A)(2).
  - i. Advertising the availability of the rental may take place only after all town, county, and state permits and licenses have been obtained.
  - j. Trash and garbage removal shall be provided on a weekly basis. Such service shall be evident by a contract with a licensed garbage

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hauler or, if not contracted, by name of a private party responsible for weekly trash removal.

- k. Each tourist rooming house shall comply with all other provisions of Chapter 9 of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance.
- l. No outdoor activity shall occur between the hours of 10:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m.
- m. The maximum occupancy allowed on a property being rented as a tourist rooming house shall not exceed the allowed maximum occupancy of the tourist rooming house.
- n. The total combined number of vehicles and trailers allowed on site shall not exceed the allowed number of bedrooms in the tourist rooming house, plus one.

#### E. Tourist Rooming House Administrative Review Process

1. All applications for a Tourist Rooming House Administrative Review Permit and Renewal shall be filed with the zoning director on forms provided. Applications must be filed by the owner of the tourist rooming house or by the resident agent. Each applicant shall certify that the tourist rooming house that is the subject of the application can meet the requirements set forth in section 9.58(D).
2. An application for a Tourist Rooming House Administrative Review Permit shall include the following and shall not be considered complete until all of the following are submitted:
  - a. Floor plan and requested maximum occupancy.
  - b. Site plan including available onsite parking.
  - c. POWTS information.
  - d. Designation of the resident agent.
  - e. Certification from the owner and resident agent that the property meets the requirements of section 9.58(D).
  - f. The application fee.
3. Permits shall be valid for a period of one year from January 1 to December 31. If a permit is granted after November 1 of a permit year, that permit will extend to December 31 of the following year.
4. Renewal applications shall be filed by November 1. The purpose of annual renewal is to review compliance with the conditions of permit approval, resident agent eligibility and contact information of the owner and resident agent. Pursuant to Section 9.82(D)(2), if the permit holder fails to submit a renewal application by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year following the year in which the renewal is due, the Zoning Administrator shall revoke the permit.

#### F. Application Review Procedure

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A Tourist Rooming House Administrative Review Permit shall follow the procedure for administrative review permits as specified in Article 3, Section 9.36 - Procedure for Administrative Review Permits.

#### G. Resident Agent

1. A resident agent and/or his/her designee is required for all tourist rooming houses.
2. Resident agent shall meet the following requirements:
  - a. Be an adult person residing in or within a twenty-five (25) mile radius of the location of the tourist rooming house or a corporate entity with offices located within a twenty-five (25) mile radius of the tourist rooming house that is the subject of the application.
  - b. Be authorized by the owner to act as the agent for the owner for: (i) the receipt of service of notice of violation of this article's provisions; (ii) service of process pursuant to this article; and (iii) to allow the county to enter the property permitted under this article for inspection and enforcement.

#### H. Nontransferable

Any permit issued under this article is nontransferable. The holder of any permit or license shall notify the zoning director in writing of any transfer of the legal control of any property covered by the permit.

#### I. Fees

The application fee, and renewal fees, as periodically designated by the county board, shall be paid when the applications are filed.

#### J. Enforcement and Penalties

1. Enforcement and penalties as specified by Article 8, Section 9.82 of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance.
2. If the Administrative Review Permit is revoked, the owner may apply for a new license after a twelve (12) month revocation period.

#### K. Conditions on Permit

The department shall have the authority to place reasonable conditions on a permit when necessary to meet the requirements of Section 9.58(D) with regard to the matters set forth in this article.

9.59 [Reserved for future use]

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#### Memorandum

**To:** Oneida County Board of Supervisors  
**Cc:** Chad Lynch, Corporation Counsel; Tracy Hartman, Oneida County Clerk & Administrative Coordinator; Planning and Development Committee  
**From:** Karl Jennrich, Director  
**Date:** November 13, 2025  
**Re:** Ordinance Amendment #06-2025 authored by the Town of Three Lakes and District #13 Supervisor Collette Sorgel, agent, to amend Chapter 9, Article 5, Section 9.58 Tourist Rooming House of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance.

All,

On June 5, 2025, Oneida County District #13 Supervisor, Collette Sorgel, proposed an ordinance amendment to amend Chapter 9, Article 5, Section 9.58 Tourist Rooming House of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance. In particular, Supervisor Sorgel wanted to amend Section 9.58(D)(3)(a) to allow one (1) rental in a seven (7) day period in the following zoning districts:

1. District #1B Forestry
2. District #1C Forestry
3. District #02 Single Family
4. District #08 Manufacturing/Industrial
5. District #15 Rural Residential

Currently, Section 9.58(D)(3)(a) prohibits tourist rooming house rentals of six (6) consecutive days or less.

2017 Assembly Bill 64 enacted 2017 Wisconsin Act 59 and implemented Wis. Stat. § 66.1014, which prohibits municipalities from enacting an ordinance prohibiting the rental of a residential dwelling for seven (7) consecutive days or longer. The bill became effective September 21, 2017. Prior to the 2017 Wisconsin Act 59, Chapter 9, Article 2, prohibited rentals of 30 consecutive days or less in certain zoning districts. As a result of the 2017 Wisconsin Act 59, the Oneida County Board of Supervisors adopted Section 9.58 Tourist Rooming Houses of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance. As part of that process, the Planning and Development Committee solicited input from all of the towns in Oneida County and held public hearings on November 28, 2018, April 3, 2019, and June 5, 2019. As a result of the towns' input and public comments, rentals of six (6) consecutive days or less were prohibited in the following zoning districts:

1. District #1B Forestry
2. District #1C Forestry
3. District #02 Single Family
4. District #08 Manufacturing/Industrial
5. District #15 Rural Residential

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Additionally, short-term rentals of less than six (6) consecutive days are allowed in the following zoning districts:

1. District #1A Forestry
2. District #3 Multiple Family Residential
3. District #4 Residential and Farming
4. District #5 Recreational
5. District #6 Business B-1
6. District #7 Business B-2
7. District #10 General Use
8. District #11 Shoreland-Wetland District
9. District #14 Residential and Retail

Furthermore, the County required other regulations to be applied to tourist rooming houses, such as parking, occupancy limits, outside activity hours, and required the issuance of a tourist rooming house administrative review permit. More recently, the department and the County Board are requiring renewals of the tourist rooming house permits.

Supervisor Collette Sorgel had the ability to file an amendment to request an ordinance amendment of Chapter 9, Article 5, Section 9.58, pursuant to Section 9.86(C). Section 9.86 mimics the language as laid out in Wis. Stat. § 59.69(5)(e)(S).

The Oneida County Planning and Development Committee did solicit the towns' input and held a public hearing on Supervisor Sorgel's ordinance amendment, and then recommended denial of the ordinance amendment. The Planning and Development Committee drafted a Denial Report and submitted it to the Oneida County Board of Supervisors, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.69(5)(e)(4), which states: *"As soon as possible after the public hearing, the agency shall act, subject to subd. 3., on the petition either approving, modifying and approving, or disapproving it. If its action is favorable to granting the requested change or any modification thereof, it shall cause an ordinance to be drafted effectuating its determination and shall submit the proposed ordinance directly to the board with its recommendations. If the agency after its public hearing recommends denial of the petition it shall report its recommendation directly to the board with its reasons for the action. Proof of publication of the notice of the public hearing held by the agency and proof of the giving of notice to the town clerk of the hearing shall be attached to either report. Notification of town board resolutions filed under subd. 3. shall be attached to either such report."*

On August 19, 2025, the Oneida County Board of Supervisors voted on the Denial Report with 12 nays, 3 ayes, and 6 absentees. As such, the Denial Report was not accepted. Wis. Stat. § 59.69(5)(e)(S) states: *"Upon receipt of the agency report the board may enact the ordinance as drafted by the zoning agency or with amendments, or it may deny the petition for amendment, or it may refuse to deny the petition as recommended by the agency in which case it shall rerefer the petition to the agency with directions to draft an ordinance to effectuate the petition and report the ordinance back to the board which may then enact or reject the ordinance."*

The Oneida County Planning and Development Committee has no choice, but to resubmit this ordinance amendment to the Oneida County Board of Supervisors. Although the Planning and Development Committee is resubmitting the ordinance amendment back to the Oneida County Board of Supervisors, pursuant to Wisconsin statute, it does not reflect support from the various supervisors on the Planning and Development Committee to change Section 9.58(D). The Oneida County Board of Supervisors have the ability to enact or reject the ordinance amendment, as proposed by Supervisor Collette Sorgel.

One of the reasons the Planning and Development Committee rejected the amendment is a town, including Three Lakes, can rezone parcels or property to allow for short-term rentals, less than six (6) consecutive days. It may be a cumbersome process, but it is a process that would involve all property

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owners affected by allowing short-term rentals less than six (6) days. By changing Section 9.58(D)(3)(a), Oneida County would be impacting all towns that do not want to see the change. If you have any questions or concerns prior to the meeting, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached at 715-369-6176 or [kjennrich@oneidacountywi.gov](mailto:kjennrich@oneidacountywi.gov).

Thank you.