WEST GARDINER SHOOTING RANGE ORDINANCE

ADOPTED
17 DECEMBER 2015

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS ORDIANCE WAS ADOPTED BY MAJORITY VOTE AT THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD DECEMBER 17, 2015 AT THE TOWN HALL.

[Signature]
ANGELA PHILLIS, TOWN CLERK
ADOPTED 12/17/15
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An ordinance to establish the right of the West Gardiner Rod & Gun Club to continue to operate amid increased pressure from real estate development.

WHEREAS, it is the policy and desire of the Town of West Gardiner to support its traditions and character as it continues to evolve; and

WHEREAS, it is also the policy and desire of the Town of West Gardiner to promote the safe use of firearms; and

WHEREAS, preserving shooting ranges in town support both the aforementioned goals.

THE TOWN OF WEST GARDINER DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Maine Law MRSA 11209, which specifies the minimum distance allowed for the discharge of firearms from a building or dwelling, does not apply to any existing shooting range located in West Gardiner.

DEFINITIONS:

For purpose of the ordinance, “building” means any residential, commercial, retail, educational, religious or farm structure that is designed to be occupied by people or domesticated animals or is being used to shelter machines or harvested crops.

For purposes of this ordinance, shooting range means an area designed for the purpose of providing a place for the discharge of various types of firearms.

Dwelling – Any building or structure or portion thereof designed or used for residential purposes.

Sport Shooting Range – As used in this section, means an area designed and used for the shooting of rifles, shotguns and pistols.

Amended 12/3/2015
ARTICLE 3. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSED WEST
GARDINER SPORT SHOOTING RANGE ORDINANCE.

ADOPTED AS READ DECEMBER 17, 2015

GREGORY A. COUTURE  MERTON L. HICKEY  EARLE L. MCCORMICK

ATTEST:

ANGELA PHILLIS
TOWN CLERK