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To: Elected Officials and Candidates for future elections in
Menominee Town/County/Reservation

Re: County Zoning Ordinance rules related to campaign signs

There appears to be an increasing amount of campaign signs within the Town and County right-of-ways for recent elections. This letter serves as notice to all candidates for future local elections. Section 30 of the Menominee County Zoning Ordinance states:

30.030 General Sign Provisions.

D. Signs Within Right-Of-Ways. No signs other than governmental signs shall be erected or temporarily placed within any public right-of-way.

30.040 Permitted Signs. The following signs shall be allowed without a permit; **in the front yard**, excluding visual triangle areas; and as regulated in the subsections as follows:

D. Campaign Signs. Election campaign or referendum signs, not exceeding six (6) square feet in area, may be placed on the first day for circulation of nomination papers or the period beginning on the day on which the question to be voted upon are submitted to the electorate and shall be removed fourteen (14) days after the day of election or referendum. In residential districts, no such sign may be electrical, mechanical, or have audio auxiliary.”

The entire Ordinance, as well as Section 30, can be viewed on the County website at:

<http://www.co.menominee.wi.us/departments/?department=1101cdbdb756&subdepartment=1f30e4ea241c>

All non-government signs placed within Town or County road right-of-ways, to include State Highways 47/55, will be removed promptly upon notice and kept at the County Zoning Office for five business days. The candidate may pick up the sign during this time to be placed in accordance with the Ordinance. Signs not picked up within this timeframe will be disposed of properly.

Please also note that the Menominee Tribe’s Zoning code, Chapter 625-217.D. also includes the same prohibition on non-governmental signs within the right-of-way.



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