

**TOWN OF MARSHFIELD
FOND DU LAC COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**Ordinance Amending Town of Marshfield
Ordinance Regulating Public Nuisance**

Recitals

A. According to studies including, but without limitation, *Application of Liquid Animal Manures Using Center Pivot Irrigation Systems* published by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension, the application of manure by center pivot manure distribution systems offers a large potential for significant odor release during short periods of time.

B. The use of center pivot irrigation systems for spreading manure has not been extensively used in the State of Wisconsin, but it has been proposed for use by certain producers.

C. The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection Livestock Siting Expertise Committee's Odor Subcommittee has noted that many farms using alley flush systems generate the highest incidence of odor complaints and that alley flush systems offer a large potential for significant odor release.

D. The significant odor released as a result of center pivot manure distribution systems and alley flush systems creates a public nuisance, and the regulation of the use of those devices is necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Marshfield, upon proper notice, ordains the following amendments to the Town of Marshfield Ordinance Regulating Public Nuisance:

Section III(a)(11) is created to read:

The use of any center pivot manure distribution system or of any alley flush system. For purposes of this section "center pivot manure distribution system" refers to a system for spreading manure that involves spreading the manure in liquid form through nozzles attached to a pivoting arm located in a farm field. "Alley flush system" refers to a manure flush/lagoon treatment system that recycles wastewater for manure alley flushing and land application of lagoon liquid.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2012.

TOWN OF MARSHFIELD

By:

John Bord, Town Chairman

Attest:

Marlene J. Sippel, Town Clerk