

ORDINANCE 2018 – O - 6

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 131
OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF WINTHROP HARBOR
ADDING A SECTION PROHIBITING THEFT
BY UNPAID USE OF BOAT LAUNCHING RAMP**

WHEREAS, the Village has the general police power granted by the General Assembly, including without limitation those broad powers granted in 65 ILCS 5/11-1-1, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that the Operator of the North Point Marina (as defined in §102.01 of this Code) has a protectible interest in the operation of the boat launch located at the said Marina, and expends significant funds in maintaining and operating the launch for a fee for the benefit of the public generally and for the benefit of the Village through the slip tax required by Chapter 102 of this Code, and

WHEREAS, persons who use the boat ramp without paying the Operator are deemed to be committing a theft of goods or services,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Village of Winthrop Harbor, Lake County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION ONE: Chapter 131 of the Winthrop Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended by the addition of Section 131.14 which shall hereafter read as follows:

§ 131.14 THEFT OF LAUNCHING RAMP SERVICES.

A person commits theft of launching ramp services when that person knowingly launches a boat of any kind using the boat launch located within the North Point Marina on the shore of Lake Michigan without paying the fee to the Operator of the said Marina according to the Operator’s posted schedule of fees.

SECTION TWO: The chart of penalties set forth in Section 39.07 of the Winthrop Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended by the addition of the following line item:

Section	Offense	Variable Fines (Write Max Amt)		Set Fines - Per Offense (Check In-House for Priors)			
		Fine Minimum	Fine Maximum	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
131.14	Theft of Launch Ramp Services			\$50	\$100	\$250	\$500

SECTION THREE: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WINTHROP HARBOR,
ILLINOIS, ON THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2018.

ATTEST:

DR. MICHAEL BRUNO, MAYOR

JULIE RITTENHOUSE, VILLAGE CLERK