## VILLAGE OF CHENEQUA ORDINANCE NO. 2022-04-11-03

# AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 6.5(4)(a)(i) OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO REGULATE DRY OR ROCK RIVER BEDS

WHEREAS, Section 6.5(4)(a)(i) of the Village Code sets forth certain lake frontage setback regulations for properties within the Residence District;

WHEREAS, the Village Board has recently received landscaping plans seeking approvals for dry or rock river beds, which the Village Code does not directly address; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board now wishes to amend Section 6.5(4)(a)(i) to set forth clear regulations for dry or rock river beds for properties within the Residence District.

NOW, THEREFORE, The Village Board of the Village of Chenequa, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain and adopt an amended Section 6.5(4)(a)(i) of the Village Code to add a new subsection (D) with respect to dry or rock river beds as follows:

#### **SECTION 1**

A new Section 6.5(4)(a)(i)(D) shall be added to the Village Code and shall state as follows:

D. Within the entire area between the lake frontage and a line seventy five (75) feet from the lake frontage and parallel thereto, there may be constructed and maintained a dry or rock river bed provided the following conditions are met: (1) the bed is constructed with natural materials and/or must have natural characteristics that blend with the surrounding natural landscape; (2) the sole purposes of the beds are purely decorative and/or to facilitate drainage and protect the ground surface from eroding into the lake; (3) the beds do not serve as a pathway for persons to traverse across the area between the lake frontage and the line which is seventy five (75) feet from the lake frontage and parallel thereto; (4) none of the bed shall exceed eighteen (18) inches in height measured from the ground surface immediately adjacent to and not part of the bed; and (5) none of the bed shall exceed a width of forty eight (48) inches.

#### **SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY**

The several sections of this ordinance are declared to be severable. If any section or portion thereof shall be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unlawful or unenforceable, such decision shall apply only to the specific section or potion thereof directly specified in the decision, and shall not affect the validity of any other provisions, sections or portions thereof of the ordinance. The remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. Any other ordinances whose terms are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to those terms that conflict.

### **SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

Dated: April 11, 2022.

VILLAGE OF CHENEQUA

Jo Ann F. Villavicencio

Village President

Attest:

Jeanne T. O'Brien Village Clerk-Treasurer

Date Adopted: April 11, 2022 Date Published: April 12, 2022 Effective Date: April 12, 2022