SPECIAL AMUSEMENT ORDINANCE
FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF
JAY, MAINE

A TRUE COPY ATTEST CERTIFIED BY:

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Ronda L. Palmer, Town Clerk

Adopted: April 23, 2019
SPECIAL AMUSEMENT ORDINANCE  
Town of Jay, Maine  
Adopted by Annual Town Meeting April 23, 2019

Section 1. Title - This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Special Amusement Ordinance of the Town of Jay, Maine.

Section 2. Purpose - The purpose of this Ordinance is to control the issuance of special amusement permits for a business with the sale and consumption of liquor on premises who also offers music (except radio or other mechanical device), any dancing or entertainment of any sort.

Section 3. Authority - This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to Title 28-A, M.R.S.A., Section 1054 and Title 30-A, M.R.S.A., Section 3001.

Section 4. Special Amusement Permit - A business with the sale and consumption of liquor on premises shall not allow any type of music, dancing or entertainment of any sort (except radio or other mechanical device) without first obtaining a Special Amusement Permit from the Select Board (herein after “Board”). Applications for all special amusement permits shall be made in writing to the Board on forms provided by the Town along with a $25.00 permit fee. All types of music, dancing or entertainment of any sort shall be allowed. A permit shall be valid only for the license year of the applicant’s existing liquor license.

Section 5. Issuance or Denial - Within 15 days of receiving the permit application, the application will be placed on a Board meeting agenda. Notice of the application shall be given through the standard posting of Board meeting agendas. Also, within 15 days of receiving the permit application, the Board will give the applicant written notice of their decision. If the Board denies a permit, the written notice shall include the reasons for denial. The applicant may not reapply for a permit within 30 days after denial. Unless the Board determines the issuance of a Special Amusement Permit will be detrimental to the public health/safety or it proves conditions of previous permit(s) have been violated, the Board shall grant the permit.

Section 6. Suspension or Revocation - The Board may suspend or revoke a Special Amusement Permit in accordance with Title 28-A, M.R.S.A., Section 1054 (7).

Section 7. Appeals - Within 30 days of a denial, suspension or revocation, appeals may be made to the Town of Jay Board of Appeals in accordance with Title 28-A, M.R.S.A., Section 1054 (8).

Section 8. Severability - The invalidity of any provision of this Ordinance shall not invalidate any other part.

Section 9. Effective Date - This Ordinance shall be effective April 23, 2019.