

Thayer residents,

warmer weather is upon us and the village is asking for your help to make sure your property is not in violation of junk, garbage, trash, tall grass/weeds and junk/abandoned vehicles. Sidewalks are to be clear for public travel. The village board has advised me to issue no warnings for violations! Enforcement action will be taken if violation(s) are not corrected by May 20th, 2019. So please clean up your property! Please review below sections for areas of concern. Below has been taken straight from the ordinance book.

Junk/garbage/trash is defined in the ordinance as:

- Chapter 25-1-1 section J, "Storing Debris": To store, dump or permit the accumulation of debris, refuse, garbage, trash, including but not limited to tires, buckets, cans, wheelbarrows, garbage cans, or other containers in a manner that may harbor mosquitoes, flies, insects, rodents, nuisance birds or other animal pest(s) that are offensive, injurious and dangerous to the health of individuals or the public.

Section D, "**Nuisance**" as used in this Section and Ordinance, is hereby defined to mean and include but not limited to:

1. Sounds and/or noise caused by animals or other things which interfere with the peace and/or comfort or disturb the quiet of the persons in the Village;
2. Accumulations on the premises by owner, occupants or lessees of the premises, of garbage, ashes, tin cans, metal ware, broken glass, crockery, stoneware, junk, manure, waste and all refuse and rubbish of every description whatsoever which may be offensive, nauseous, dangerous to life, • limb, or property, or detrimental to the health of persons resident in the general area of such premises;
3. The placing, throwing or permitting to be discharged or to flow from or out of any house or premises, any filthy, foul or offensive matter or liquid of any kind into any street, alley or public place, or upon any adjacent lot or ground;
4. The presence upon lands lying within the Village limits of brush, weeds, dead and dying trees, stumps, roots, obnoxious growth, filth, trash, garbage, and debris. Stumps or limbs for the use of fire wood will be exempt as long as such is not stored in a fashion that will draw rodents or other pest, or be a safety hazard to persons or animals.
5. The presence or discharge of any "air contaminants" that is offensive, nauseous, irritating or noxious to humans or other animal life.
6. The various nuisances described and enumerated in this Section shall not be deemed to be exclusive, but shall include any

and all other offenses known to common law, or of the Statutes of this State, as nuisances, as well as any and all other nuisances described and prohibited by any and all other provisions of the Village Ordinance and which, in case the same exist within the Village, be treated as such and proceeded against as this Section provided. (Ord. #96-14; 11/11/1996)

- Section Q, "Accumulation of Junk and Trash": To deposit, pile up, or place any garbage, refuse or trash, including but not limited to rags, old rope, paper, iron, brass, copper, tin, aluminum, ashes, garbage, refuse, hazardous waste, plastic, brush, litter, weeds, slush, lead, glass bottles or broken glass upon any lot, piece or parcel of land or upon any public or private alley, street or public way within the village.
- Section Z, "Generally": to commit any act which is determined by the village board to be a nuisance or is otherwise declared a nuisance by any other Illinois statute, rule or regulation.

Chapter 25-1-12, "Brush, Refuse, ETC."

The presence upon lands lying within the corporate limits of the village of brush, dead and dying trees, stumps, roots, obnoxious growth, filth, refuse, garbage, offal, carcasses of dead animals, trash, and debris, including but not limited to Section 25-1-2 (D), be and is declared to be detrimental to public health and safety, and is declared to be a nuisance. (Ord. #96-14; 11/11/1996)

Chapter 25-1-13, "Allowing Dangerous conditions"

It shall be unlawful to permit any building, structure or place, to remain in such condition as to be dangerous to the public health in any way. Any such structure, building or place, is declared to be a nuisance. (Ord. #96-14; 11/11/1996)

Chapter 25-1-22 , "Grass, Weeds, and Obnoxious Growth"

(A) It shall be declared a nuisance, if an owner, agent, or occupant allows grass, weeds, and/or obnoxious growth to go uncontrolled upon lawns or yards of residences within the Village to the extent that insects, rodents, or other pest may flourish, or to cause an unsightly area as to distress the surrounding neighborhood. Exceptions to this Section include but are not limited to, areas that are inaccessible or prohibit mowing due to the lay of the land, such as wooded areas, stream or creek beds, road ditches, etc.

(B) If the nuisance is uncontrolled weeds or grass, there will be a charge of seventy five dollars (\$75.00) per hour with a one hour minimum for all lots cut by the Village and such a charge will be payable to the Village within thirty (30) days or will be subject to lien on the property which shall provide the owner of a detail on the breakdown on the amount of the lien. (Ord. #96-14; 11/11/1996)

Chapter 25-1-23, "Abatement of Nuisance"

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to permit or maintain the existence of any nuisance(s) on any property under his/her or its control. The Village Health and Welfare Trustee, Law Enforcement Officials, or any persons designated, appointed, or contracted by the Board of Trustees to enforce the laws ordinances of this jurisdiction are authorized to abate any such nuisance existing in the Village, whether such nuisance is specifically recognized by ordinance or not. This Section will also include Section 25-1-2 (D) (6) of this Section as defined.

(B) After the expiration of ten (10) days from the time that notice of nuisance is served, if the nuisance is not abated or other remedy made as required, it shall be done under the direction of the Health and Welfare Trustee, of the Village, and the cost of doing so shall be collected from the person who is responsible for the nuisance in addition to the penalties set forth in this section determined by the Court, fifteen percent (15%) of such cost in an appropriate court of competent jurisdiction.

(C) If the nuisance is uncontrolled weeds or grass then it will be subject to the provisions of Section 25-1-22 of this Section

25-1-25, "Penalties"

(A) Penalty for violation of any Section of this Section shall not be less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each such offense, plus the cost of enforcement actions incurred by the Village which includes but is not limited to, Attorney fees, police, and agents for the Village fees.

(B) Any person who refuses to comply with the notice of the Health and Welfare Trustee, shall upon conviction, be punished by a fine as provided by this Ordinance, and each day such refusal continues shall constitute a separate offense. The fine herein specified shall be in addition to the cost and the penalty in Section 2-24 (B).

(C) In the case of mitigating circumstances, all factors of the mitigating circumstances shall be reviewed by the Health and Welfare Trustee and/or The Village Board of Trustees, before the determination of assessing any penalties or fines, to the extent of a partial or complete waiver of penalties or fines, not including any cost of the abatement or remedy for said nuisance.

25-4-2 Declaration of nuisance

ALL inoperable motor vehicles, whether on public or private property in view of the general public, are hereby declared to be a nuisance.

Definitions section, "A" Abandoned vehicle shall mean all motor vehicles or other vehicles in state of disrepair, rendering the vehicle incapable of being driven in its condition; or any motor vehicle or other motor vehicle that had not been moved or used for seven (7) consecutive days or more and is apparently deserted.

Definitions section, "H" Inoperable motor vehicle shall mean any motor vehicle from which, for a period of at least thirty (30) days, the engine, wheels or other parts have been altered, damaged or otherwise so treated that the vehicle is incapable of being driven under its own power.

Ordinance # 24-7-2 Abandonment No person shall abandon any vehicle within the village and no person shall leave any vehicle at any place within the village for such time and under such circumstances at any time as to cause such vehicle reasonably to appear to have been abandoned.

- Section 1(a) Leaving of wrecked, non-operating vehicles on the street: no person shall leave any partially dismantled, non-operating wrecked or junked vehicle on any street or highway in the village.