

Village of Hartsburg, Illinois

Ordinance No. 2015-0518

ORDINANCE ON RESIDENTIAL STORAGE OF JUNK AND INOPERABLE ITEMS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS OF THE VILLAGE OF HARTSBURG

WHEREAS the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Hartsburg finds it necessary to regulate the storage of certain materials and appliances in residential areas to protect public safety and maintain community aesthetics.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Hartsburg, County of Logan, State of Illinois, as follows:

SECTION I: Storage of Junk and Inoperable Vehicles

No person, firm, or corporation shall permit the storage or placement of junk, lumber, building materials, machinery, salvage materials, or wrecked, disabled, inoperable, or unlicensed motor vehicles on public or private property in view of the general public in any residential area of the Village for a period exceeding twenty (20) days.

SECTION II: Obstruction of Public Ways

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to park, place, leave, or store any motor vehicle or other material on the streets, alleys, highways, or roadways of the Village that interferes with ditch maintenance, weed cutting, asphalt application, drainage, snow removal, or other public maintenance operations.

Any such items may be removed by the Police Department. The owner or responsible party shall bear the cost of removal and may be subject to fines.

SECTION III: Abandonment of Refrigerators and Similar Appliances

Abandoning any refrigerator, freezer, icebox, or ice chest without first removing the lid or door is prohibited. This section enforces compliance with the **Abandoned Refrigerator Act**



of Illinois (720 ILCS 505/1), which states that anyone who leaves such items in areas accessible to children may be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor.

SECTION IV: Storage Restrictions for Refrigerators and Freezers

Refrigerators, freezers, iceboxes, or ice chests must be stored indoors within a residence, school, or business. Outdoor storage, including on porches, patios, or decks, is strictly prohibited.

SECTION V: Penalties

Any person, firm, or corporation violating this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) and not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Each day the violation continues constitutes a separate offense.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Village Board of the Village of Hartsburg this 18th day of May, 2015.

PASSED May 18, 2013

Hartsburg Village Clerk

Trustees

Small Town, Big Heart