

ORDINANCE NO. 20

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO AND REGULATING THE ABANDONMENT OF VEHICLES AND THE DISPOSITION OR KEEPING OF WRECKED, NON-OPERATING, OR DISCARDED VEHICLES ON STREETS OR PRIVATE PROPERTY AND PROVIDING FOR IMPOUNDING OF CERTAIN VEHICLES IN THE TOWN OF WHITE BEAR, RAMSEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA, AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF WHITE BEAR DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. The Town Board of the Town of White Bear finds, determines and declares vehicles are or may in the future be abandoned in the streets and other places within the Town; and are or may in the future be dismantled, partially dismantled, wrecked, junked, not operating or discarded vehicles left about the Town other than in junk yards or other appropriate places; and such conditions tend to impede traffic in the streets or interfere with the enjoyment of and reduce the value of private property, invite plundering, create fire hazards and other safety and health hazards to children as well as adults, interfere with the comfort and well-being of the public, and create, extend, and aggravate area blight; and adequate protection of the public health, safety and welfare requires that such conditions be regulated, abated or prohibited.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

2-1. "Person" shall mean any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, or organization of any kind.

2-2. "Vehicle" shall mean a machine propelled by power other than human power designed to travel along the ground by use of wheels, treads, runners or slides and transport persons or property or pull machinery and shall include, without limitation, automobile, truck, trailer, motorcycle, tractor, buggy and wagon.

2-3. "Street or highway " shall mean the entire width between the boundary lines of every way publicly maintained when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel.

2-4. "Property" shall mean any real property within the Town which is not a street or highway.

SECTION 3. ABANDONMENT OF VEHICLES. No person shall abandon any vehicle within the Town and no person shall leave any vehicle at any place within

the Town for such time or under such circumstances as to cause such vehicle reasonably to appear to have been abandoned.

SECTION 4. LEAVING OF WRECKED, NON-OPERATING VEHICLE ON STREET. No person shall leave any partially dismantled, non-operating, wrecked, or junked vehicle or any vehicle not properly licensed for operation within the State of Minnesota by the State of Minnesota on any street or highway within the Town.

SECTION 5. DISPOSITION OF WRECKED OR DISCARDED VEHICLES. No person in charge or control of any property within the Town, whether as owner, tenant, occupant, lessee, or otherwise, shall allow any partially dismantled, non-operating, wrecked, junked or discarded vehicle or any vehicle not properly licensed for operation within the State of Minnesota by the State of Minnesota to remain on such property longer than 24 hours; and no person shall leave such vehicle on any property within the Town for a longer time than 24 hours, except that this Ordinance shall not apply with regard to a vehicle within a closed building, a vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise, or a vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner in the Town.

SECTION 6. REMOVAL. A Constable is hereby authorized to remove or have removed any vehicle left at any place within the Town which reasonably appears to be in violation of this Ordinance or lost, stolen or unclaimed. Such vehicle shall be removed and stored at the expense of the owner until disposed of according to law.

SECTION 7. PENALTIES. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$100.00 or be imprisoned in the County Jail or Workhouse for a period not to exceed 90 days. Each day such violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable as such hereunder.

SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY. Each and every section of this Ordinance is separate and distinct from any other provisions, and if any part of any provision hereof shall be declared unconstitutional, it shall not affect the validity of any other part or provision.

SECTION 9. WHEN IN FORCE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and public according to law.

Passed by the Town Board of the Town of White Bear, Minnesota,
this 13th day of December, 1965.

APPROVED:

KENNETH A. KUMM, Chairman

ATTEST:

MARY E. POPE, Clerk-Treasurer

Board of Supervisors:
KENNETH A. KUMM, Chairman
TERRENCE ROONEY, Supervisor
WALTER H. KUEHNL, Supervisor

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