

ORDINANCE NO. 109

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AND PROPERTY USE

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WHEREAS, the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed the minimum requirements to encourage the most appropriate use of the land and to facilitate and stabilize the value of the property. Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED That the following provisions apply to the Village of Dorchester:

Section 1. No building or structure or part thereof, including foundations, footings, floors or concrete slabs or any sidewalk laid in any public right of way shall hereafter be built, enlarged, altered or demolished within the Village of Dorchester unless a permit therefore shall first be obtained by the owner from the Village of Dorchester. (Building plans must be submitted before a building permit is approved.)

Section 2. A building permit shall have lapsed and be void unless building operations are commenced within six months from date thereof and completed within one year from date of commencing construction. A new building permit must be obtained after this time.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Village police and maintenance man to report at once to the Village Board of any work being done without a building permit.

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Section 5. It is unlawful to dig on any street between the curbs for any reason without permission of the Village maintenance man. Water tapped to the main shall be inspected by the Village maintenance man. All fittings including curb stop are to be charged to the property owner at a set price by the Village Board.

Section 6. Water meters must be installed in a place where they will not freeze, or be put in a frost proof box. Any meters broken by frost will be charged to the property owner.

Section 7. The terrace shall be the responsibility of the land owner of the private property fronting or abutting on streets, and shall be built with earth and seeded with lawn to an established grade by such owner, at his own cost and expense within thirty (30) days after service of notice to do so by the Village Board (Terrace is that portion of land lying between the street or curb and sidewalk.)

Section 8. If property owner neglects or refuses to comply with the above section 7, the Village will landscape, seed, and mow said terrace, charging the work and material to the property owner. If owner refused to pay the bill, it shall be placed upon the tax roll and collected from the owner as other real estate tax.

Section 9. Shoveling and maintenance of the sidewalks shall be the responsibility of the land owner of the private property fronting or abutting on streets. Sidewalks must be cleared within 24 hours after a snowfall. If property owner refuses to comply with the above, the Village will clear or repair (as the case may be) the sidewalks, charging the work and material to the property owner. If owner refuses to pay the bill, it shall be placed upon the tax roll and collected from the owner as other real estate tax.

Section 10. No person, firm or corporation shall store or permit to be stored, placed, harbored, or deposited in or upon any street, sidewalk, alley, terrace or other ground within any street of the Village of Dorchester, whether held by deed or lease, any vehicles, machinery, materials, property, or junk of any kind or nature, for a period of more than 48 hours.

Section 11. Any party convicted of a violation of Section 10 shall forfeit not less than Five dollars (\$5.00) nor more than Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) besides the costs of prosecution for each offense, and in default of the payment of such forfeiture and costs, shall be confined in the county jail for a period of not more than thirty (30) days.

In addition, after conviction, the Village may give written notice that said party shall remove the offensive material within thirty (30) days, and failure to so do shall permit the Village to remove said offensive material, at the expiration of a said thirty day period, to a convenient location, and in the event that such removal costs any expense such expense shall be payable by the party guilty of causing such removal.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED That the following regulations shall, in addition, apply to that area North of Washington Street in the Village of Dorchester:

Section 12. Building plans for this area must be submitted to the Village of Dorchester for approval before a building permit is issued.

Section 13. There shall be a front yard 30 feet from the lot line to the building, and all buildings shall be built in line.- On corner lots, buildings must have 30 feet front yard on each side facing the street. There shall be no less than 6 feet side yard on each side of the building to the lot line.

Section 14. All buildings built in this area must be completed on the outside within one year after construction has commenced.

Section 15. The Village of Dorchester shall have the absolute right to determine whether any building can be moved into this area, after receiving the required building plan and may grant or deny the building permit as it deem proper.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

Section 16.

(A) Any person, firm or corporation found guilty of a violation of the provisions of Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, and 15, shall forfeit not less than Five dollars (\$5.00) nor more than Two hundred dollars (\$200.00) besides the costs of prosecution for each offense, and in default of the payment of such forfeiture and costs, any person so found guilty shall be imprisoned in the County jail for not less than three (3) nor more than sixty (60) days for each such offense.

(B) Any person refusing to comply with the above designated sections therewith shall be guilty of a violation of this ordinance; and each day's continuation thereof shall constitute a separate offense.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED:

(A) All vested rights, pending actions, or prosecutions shall continue as though no revision or change has been made pursuant to this ordinance.

(B) All ordinances of the Village of Dorchester, Clark County, Wisconsin inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

(C) This ordinance shall be effective from date of December 15, 1968.

VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER

By Ted Schwoch, Jr. President
By Alice Paulson, Clerk

Adopted: December 4, 1968

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