Introduced By: Wayne Rau

## AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION NUISANCES

The Village Board of the Village of Dorchester does hereby ordain as follows:

- (a) No person shall store junked or discarded property including automobiles, automobile parts, trucks, tractors, refrigerators, furnaces, washing machines, stoves, machinery or machinery parts, wood, bricks, cement blocks, construction materials, or other unsightly debris which substantially depreciates property values in the neighborhood except in an enclosure which houses such property from public view, or upon permit issued by the Village Board. Storage of such items contrary to this provision shall be considered a public nuisance. The Chief of Police may require, by written order, any premises violating this Section to be put in compliance within the time specified in such order, and if the order is not complied with, may be cited for such noncompliance or may have the premises put in compliance and the cost thereof assessed as a special tax against the property. The Village Board will determine the citation fee which may be \$5.00 to \$100.00 per day.
- (b) No owner shall permit any premises to exist or any dwelling or nondewelling structure or fence to exist on any premises which does not comply with the following requirements:
  - (!) Maintenance of Structures. Every foundation, exterior wall, roof, window exterior door, basement hatchway, and every other entranceway of every dwelling or nondewelling structure shall be so maintained as to prevent the structure from becoming a harborage for rats and shall be kept in a reasonably good state of maintenance and repair.
  - (2) Protection of Exterior Wood Surfaces. All exterior wood surfaces of all dwelling or nondwelling structures shall be properly protected from the elements and against decay by paint or other approved protective coating applied in a workmanlike manner.
  - (3) Maintenance of Fences. Every fence shall be kept in a reasonably good state of maintenance and repair or shall be removed.
  - (4) Pest Control. Every premises shall be so maintained as to prevent the premises from becoming a harborage for rats and insect pests. Whenever infestation with rodents or pests exists in any premises upon which no structure or nondwelling structures are located, extermination thereof shall be the responsibility of the owner.

Passed at a regular session of the Village Board this 15th day of January, 2014.

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication,

Wayne Ray, President

Val Heins, Clerk

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