

TITLE 6

PUBLIC WAYS AND PROPERTY

ARTICLE 1

GENERAL OFFENSES

- SECTION 1. OBSTRUCTION, INJURY TO PUBLIC PROPERTY.** No person shall willfully and maliciously obstruct, injure, deface or interfere with any culvert, ditch, tile drain, sidewalk or other public property or work of the Village.
- SECTION 2. OBSTRUCTION, CHANGE OF WATER COURSE.** No person shall either by himself, agent or employee, within the corporate limits of the Village, obstruct, turn, alter, divert or change the course or flow of water on, along or over any of the public streets and alleys of the Village, except by the consent and under the direction and supervision of the Village Board of Trustees.
- SECTION 3. PERMIT to CHANGE OR OBSTRUCT.** Any person who shall without first obtaining the consent provided for in the preceding Section, by himself, or employee obstruct, turn, alter, divert or change, or cause to be obstructed, turned, divert or changed, the course and flow of water on, along or over any of the streets or alleys of the Village, by digging therein, or by depositing earth or other materials thereon, or in any manner obstruct or change the course and flow of water on, along or over such streets and alleys as the course and flow of such water may now or hereafter be fixed and directed by the working and improvements of such streets and alleys by the Village Board of Trustees, shall on conviction thereof be fined as In this Code provided.
- SECTION 4. INJURY TO STREETS, FENCES.** No person shall, within the limits of the Village, willfully or carelessly destroy or injure any tree or shrub, railing, lamppost, telephone or telegraph pole or wire, or in any manner cause the same to be done.
- SECTION 5. PAPERS. DEBRIS ON STREETS, SIDEWALKS.** No person or persons shall place, deposit or throw loose papers, beverage cans or other debris in any alley or on the streets within the Village, or leave the same in such condition that the same may become scattered or blown upon the streets and alleys of the Village.

ARTICLE 2

EXCAVATIONS

SECTION 1. APPROVAL REQUIRED. No person shall make any excavation in any street, alley or public area in the Village, for the purpose of examination, repair, removal or of laying gas, heat or water pipes, sewer or conduits, or water or sewer services or for any other purpose whatsoever without the approval of the Superintendent of Public Works.

SECTION 2. REFILLING. The making of excavations and the refilling thereof shall be made as provided in this Article, and shall be subject to inspection of the Village Inspector, or a representative of the Village. The person making such excavation, shall notify the Village when same is ready for refill.

SECTION 3. MANNER OF BACKFILLING. All trenches and excavations in paved streets and sidewalks shall be backfilled as rapidly as possible and as the conditions will permit. All backfill material shall be deposited in the trench in such a manner as not to damage the pipe. The backfill of the trench shall be carried out simultaneously on both sides of pipe in such a manner as injurious side pressure does not occur. The backfill of trenches shall be moist sand or another suitable approved fill. It shall be placed in twelve Inch (12") layers and compacted to the satisfaction of the Village Inspector. Outriggers shall be blocked or padded so as to prevent damage to road, sidewalk and other ground surfaces.

All trenches and excavations in streets, alleys, and driveways must be resurfaced with the same material as originally used. The finish grade must meet the existing grade of the street.

All surplus material shall be hauled away to such point as designated by the Village Inspector or Superintendent of Public Works.

SECTION 4. DANGER SIGNALS. Any person making any excavation shall protect the same by barriers, red lights or otherwise while the work is in progress.

SECTION 5. ENCROACHMENTS.

5.1 Encroachment is defined as any building, fence, sign or any other structure or object or any kind (with the exception of utilities and public road signs), which is placed, located or maintained in, on, under or over any portion of the roadway right-of-way.

5.2 It shall be unlawful for any person to erect or cause to be erected, to retain or cause to be retained, an encroachment as above defined, within the limits of the roadway right-of-way.

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- 5.3 This Section is Intended to and shall be in addition to all other ordinances, rules and regulations concerning encroachments and shall not be construed as repealing or rescinding any other ordinance or part of any ordinance unless in direct conflict therewith.

ARTICLE 3

CULVERTS AND DITCHES

- SECTION 1. UNLAWFUL CONSTRUCTION.** No person shall construct or maintain a driveway over a drainage ditch without furnishing a culvert to provide drainage, in accordance with specifications approved by the Village Board.
- SECTION 2. FREE OF OBSTRUCTIONS.** The owner and occupant of abutting property shall keep such culverts and ditches free of obstructions.
- SECTION 3. DISPOSAL PROHIBITED.** No person shall dump any leaves, trash, soil or other material into any such ditch or culvert, and no person shall obstruct any such ditch or culvert.

ARTICLE 4

STORM DRAINAGE SYSTEMS

SECTION 1. CONNECTIONS PROHIBITED. It shall be unlawful for any person to connect or cause to be connected, any drain carrying, or to carry, any toilet, sink, basement, septic tank, cesspool, industrial waste or any fixture or device discharging polluting substances to any storm water drain in the Village.