

ORDINANCE #58

AN ORDINANCE TO GOVERN PARKING OF VEHICLES ON PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY

THE VILLAGE OF SPRINGPORT ORDAINS:

Section 1. It is hereby declared a public nuisance for any person to park or leave standing any vehicle in any public or private lot, space, way or alley without the consent of the owner, operator or lessee thereof. Such unauthorized parking is hereby found to constitute a trespass against and an infringement of the property rights of such owners, operator or lessee, and a substantial factor in augmenting traffic congestion and effecting adequate control of vehicular traffic. It is further found that such unauthorized parking prevents free ingress and egress of fire fighting equipment through such public or private parking lots, spaces, ways or alleys, and, as such, creates a fire hazard to the buildings adjacent thereto. Accordingly such unauthorized parking is hereby prohibited and constitutes a violation of this ordinance.

Section 2. Upon the request of any owner, operator, lessee of any public or private parking lot, way, space or alley, any vehicle which is left parking or standing therein in violation of the provisions of this ordinance may be removed by and under the direction of any member of the police department to a place or places designated by the chief of police. Such seizure and impounding shall be subject to all applicable statutory provisions relative to the removal of parked vehicles from public highways, streets, alleys and including the removal and impounding fees therein provided for, redemption by the owner or operator of such vehicle upon payment of removal and impounding fees and settlement of the violation involved, notice thereof to the registered owner of such vehicle, and foreclosure of the lien of such removal and impounding fees upon failure to redeem or repossess in accordance with all applicable statutory provisions.

Section 3. Anything notwithstanding contained in this ordinance, no vehicle shall be removed or impounded as herein provided, nor shall the penal provisions

thereof be applicable, unless such public or private parking lot, space, way or alley is legibly and plainly designated as such by an appropriate sign or placard. When a public or private parking space, sufficient for the accommodation of one vehicle, is leased or rented to a particular person, the private nature of such space shall be considered sufficiently indicated within the meaning of this section if the name of such lessee plainly and legibly appears upon a sign or placard placed upon or immediately adjacent to such space.