

**THE VILLAGE OF OAKS  
CLAY COUNTY, MISSOURI**

BILL NO. 252

ORDINANCE NO. 252

**A NUISANCE ORDINANCE**

A CORRECTED COPY OF ORDINANCE NO. 252 INCLUDING CHANGES AUTHORIZED BY  
AMENDMENT CONTAINED IN ORDINANCE 2007-2.

Dated September 9, 2007

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKS OF THE  
COUNTY OF CLAY, THE STATE OF MISSOURI.

**Section I.** That in order to protect the health, welfare, and safety of the residents of the Village of Oaks, Clay County, Missouri, the following provisions are hereby established by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oaks in order to regulate private and public nuisances already in existence in the Village of Oaks and those which may come into existence in the future of the Village of Oaks, Clay County, Missouri.

**Section II.** Nothing shall be permitted in the Village of Oaks that may be or becomes a nuisance to the neighborhood, nor shall anything be done or permitted on the property that shall be, or become obnoxious or offensive to the neighborhood, or dangerous to health. A nuisance includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. The use of any yard, driveway, or garage as an automobile mechanic workshop, for remuneration, or otherwise, on any automobile other than those owned by the residents of the property.

2. The parking of over five (5) motor vehicles on any one residence lot for a period of more than forty-eight (48) consecutive hours. Any motor vehicle that is not properly titled, not properly registered or without current license plates. Any motor vehicle that is not serviceable or inoperable for more than sixty (60) days.

3. Subject to the exceptions herein noted, no trucks larger than three-quarter ton, no recreational vehicles or motor homes (both commonly referred to as RVs), no trailers and no boats shall be regularly parked on any premises. This section shall not prohibit the making of bona fide deliveries to premises and it shall not apply to trucks, recreational vehicles, motor homes or boats which are parked within an enclosure or shielded from public view.

This regulation does not apply to trucks, recreational vehicles, motor homes and boats parked in the Village before July 1, 1997. However, this clause is not transferable to new owners when a house is sold.

4. Any activity in violation of Ordinance No. 5, known as the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Oaks.

5. Any sewage back-up, malfunction, or overflow which causes sewage to be above ground or to emit an obnoxious smell.

6. The allowance of trash, garbage, or debris to be collected and/or built upon one's property so as to cause an eye-sore or so as to cause an obnoxious smell or health hazard.

7. Any excessive noise or disturbance of a continuous nature that disturbs the neighbors, the neighborhood, or passersby.

8. Any violation of Ordinance No. Five (5) which regulates the keeping of an unreasonable number of household pets.

9. The willful accumulation upon one's property or easement of an excessive amount of brush, weeds or dead trees, in violation of Ordinance No 57.

**Section III.** Whenever the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oaks shall ascertain or have any knowledge that a nuisance exists in or upon any house or premises in the Village of Oaks. they shall, in writing, notify the person occupying or having possession of such house or premises to abate or remove such nuisance within a time to be specified in such notice and that unless such nuisance be abated within the time specified thereafter, it may be abated by the Board of Trustees and the costs of such abatement may be specially assessed and constitute a lien against the property from which abated and further, that failure, neglect or refusal of such owner to abate such nuisance within such period renders such owner guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each and every day that such violation continues, but if the offense be willful on conviction thereof, the punishment shall be a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each and every day that such violation shall continue or by imprisonment for Ten (10) days for each and every day that such violation continues, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court. Provided, however, that if such owner within the said period specified above shall request in writing to the Board of Trustees that a hearing be conducted for the purpose of contesting the determination of said Board of Trustees that a nuisance exists upon such property or that such

property is that of the alleged owner, said Board of Trustees shall conduct such a hearing as soon as practicable, but not earlier than five (5) days after notification of such alleged owner by certified or registered mail.

**Section IV.** Any person notified as provided in Section III who shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with the same within such time, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, or for every day thereafter that such person shall fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with the same, and for every day thereafter that such person shall fail, neglect or refuse to abate or remove such nuisance, he shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense and shall be proceeded against as in the first instance.

**Section V.** Whenever the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oaks shall ascertain that a nuisance dangerous to the public health, welfare, safety, or morals exists in and upon any house, building, lot or premises in the Village of Oaks, they may, in the ease of failure, neglect or refusal to comply with the notice provided in Section III, enter in or upon such house, building, lot or premises and remove and abate such nuisance and shall charge the cost thereof to the owners or lessees in control. The cost of the removing and abating any such nuisance may be assessed and collected as a lien on the property affected thereby. As soon as the cost of removal and abatement of any such nuisance shall be determined by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oaks, they shall notify, by registered letter deposited in the United States Mail, the owners, lessees or agents of the cost. If after thirty (30) days from the mailing of such registered letter the cost is unpaid, the Board of Trustees shall certify assessments and apportionments covering the cost. Such apportionments shall contain the names of the owners and all other parties interested in the lots affected and charged therewith who were such upon the date when removal and abatement of the nuisance occurred. Such names shall be determined and taken from the assessment books used for the assessment and levy of general taxes by the Village of Oaks, but no defect or mistake in the books or in the description therein of the lot, or in the name and such apportionment shall impair the validity of the lien on the lots or bills issued therefore. The Board of Trustees shall then enter the assessments therein contained in the appropriate books to be kept for that purpose showing the property assessed.

**Section VI.** The owner or lessees of premises where any violation of any provision of this Ordinance or any regulation there under has been committed or shall exist shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each and every day that such violation continues, but if the offense be willful on conviction thereof, the punishment shall be a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each and every day that such violation shall continue or by imprisonment for Ten (10) days for each and every day that such violation continues, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court.

**Section VII.** Any such person, who having been served with the notice outlined in Section III, fails to comply with said notice within ten (10) days after said service or who shall continue to violate any provision of the regulations made under authority of this Ordinance in the respect named in such notice shall also be subject to a civil penalty of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

**Section VIII.** If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**Section IX.** All orders or parts of orders in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as the same are in conflict with the provisions hereof.

Passed, signed and made effective by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oaks, Missouri, this nineteenth day of September, 1977.

S / Charles Shippee, Jr.  
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ATTEST:  
S / Lee Shippee  
VILLAGE CLERK

