

## **Parking Ordinance**

- Authority:** This parking ordinance is adopted pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. 3009.
- Purpose:** This ordinance is designed to protect the public health and welfare by regulating the parking of or standing of motor vehicles on certain public ways. Unrestricted parking on public ways creates traffic hazards and is dangerous to pedestrians and motorists, and it is the purpose of this ordinance to reduce this danger.
- Definitions:** "Public Way" - means any town way or public easement as defined in 23 M.R.S.A. 3021 and portion of any State or State-aid highway located within the town. This term includes ways commonly designated as streets, lanes, roads, and avenues and includes paved or unpaved shoulders of such ways.
- "Motor Vehicle" – is any vehicle defined in 29 M.R.S.A. 1.
- Any other term used in this ordinance shall have its common, ordinary meaning unless otherwise indicated.
- Regulated Areas:** When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall park or let stand any motor vehicle at any time on the following public way or specified portions thereof: on both sides of Lakeview Drive (US Hwy 202) from approximately 500 feet north to 500 feet south of the centerline of the entrance to the Town Office for the Town of China.
- Exceptions:** This ordinance does not apply to motor vehicles parked in prohibited areas for the following reasons: Mechanical problems or breakdown; Emergency situations; Maintenance, construction, repair or installation of utilities in the public way by any State or municipal agency or utility company.
- Penalties:** Any person found in violation of this ordinance by a Court of competent jurisdiction shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$100.00 nor less than \$25.00; all fines accrue to the municipality. Persons charged with violating this ordinance may waive court action by payment of a fee of

\$15 within 7 days after receiving notice of the violation. Any such waiver and payment of fee shall be processed through the Town Clerk.

**Enforcement:** This ordinance shall be enforced by the Municipal Officers or their duly appointed designee. Violations of this ordinance shall be traffic infractions and shall be prosecuted, if necessary, in the appropriate District Court.

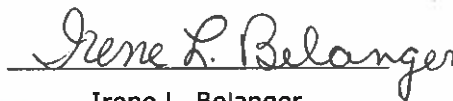
**Severability:** In the event that any portion of this ordinance is found by a Court to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

**Effective Date:** This ordinance shall become effective when adopted by a majority of the Municipal Officers.

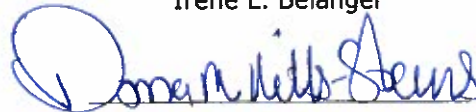
Given under our hands this 28th day of October, AD 2019



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