MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF PERRYVILLE Ordinance No. 2024-01

Introduced By: Mayor Roath

Date Introduced: January 2, 2024

Amendments Adopted: N/A

Date Adopted: February 6, 2024

Date Effective: February 26, 2024

AN ORDINANCE concerning

PARKING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

- **FOR** the purpose of altering certain regulations relating to the parking of certain vehicles on public property, including impoundment and penalties for violations; and generally relating to regulation of the parking of certain vehicles on public property in the Town of Perryville.
- **BY** repealing and reenacting, with amendments

Chapter 75 VEHICLES, RECREATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL Sections 75-1 through 75-4 Code of the Town of Perryville

EXPLANATION:

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW

((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF PERRYVILLE that Sections 75-1 through 75-4 of the Code of the Town of Perryville, Chapter 75, VEHICLES, RECREATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL, be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 75 VEHICLES, RECREATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL

§ 75-1. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE- ((Any motor vehicle, trailer, tractor, truck or van designed and/or used for commercial, industrial or agricultural purposes.)) A COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE AS DEFINED IN § 16-803(C) OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OF THE MARYLAND ANNNOTATED CODE.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE- Any motor vehicle or trailer designed and used as a travel trailer, camper, motor home, tent trailer, boat, boat trailer, snowmobile, snowmobile trailer, car trailer, motorcycle or motorcycle trailer.

§ 75-2. Unlawful actions.

- A. ((It)) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B. OF THIS SECTION, ((shall be unlawful for any)) AN INDIVIDUAL, ((person,)) partnership, corporation or other entity ((to)) MAY NOT leave parked on any public property under the control, ownership or domain of the Town of Perryville, including any public streets, sidewalks, parking lots or alleys within the Town of Perryville, any recreational vehicle or any commercial vehicle.
- B. THE PROHIBITION OF SUBSECTION A. DOES NOT APPLY TO THE PARKING OF BOATS AND BOAT TRAILERS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY FOR A PERIOD OF 48 HOURS BEGINNING AT 8:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY AND ENDING ON THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

§ 75-3. Impoundment.

- A. ((Any)) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B. OF THIS SECTION, ANY law enforcement officer ((is hereby vested with the authority to)) MAY impound any vehicle parked in violation of § 75-2. A vehicle so impounded shall be kept at a place to be designated by the ((Commissioners of Perryville or its authorized representative)) CHIEF OF POLICE. Within twenty-four (24) hours after removal of such vehicle, written notice ((thereof)) OF THE IMPOUNDMENT shall be sent to the owner ((thereof)) OF THE VEHICLE (if known) at ((his)) THE OWNER'S last known address. The vehicle may be released to the owner upon payment of storage, towing and other charges of impoundment, in addition to any fine and/or court costs imposed for violation of ((this chapter)) § 75-2.
- B. A VEHICLE MAY BE IMPOUNDED UNDER SUBSECTION A. IF THE VEHICLE PRESENTS AN IMPEDIMENT OR HAZARD TO THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC, CREATES OTHER THREAT OR IMPEDIMENT TO PUBLIC SAFETY, OR IS ABANDONED.

§ 75-4. Violations and penalties.

Any person who LEAVES A VEHICLE PARKED IN VIOLATION OF § 75-2 AFTER BEING GIVEN 24 HOURS WRITTEN NOTICE TO REMOVE THE VEHICLE violates ((any provision of this chapter)) § 75-2 AND shall be guilty of an infraction and ((shall be)) subject to a fine of fifty dollars (\$50) for ((each)) THE INITIAL violation AND ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100) FOR EACH REPEAT OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION. Each day that a person fails to move a vehicle parked in violation of ((this chapter)) § 75-2, after being GIVEN ((notified)) WRITTEN NOTICE to do so by a law enforcement OFFICER ((or town official)), shall be a separate violation of ((this chapter)) § 75-2 and a separate infraction SUBJECT TO A FINE FOR A REPEAT OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days following approval by the Mayor and Commissioners.

ADOPTED this \underline{U}^{\dagger} day of $\underline{\underline{February}}$, 2024, by a vote of $\underline{\underline{H}}$ yeas, $\underline{\underline{O}}$ nays, and $\underline{\underline{O}}$ abstentions.

SEAL:

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF PERRYVILLE

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Matt Roath, Mayo

ATTEST:

Jackie Sample, Town Clerk