

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

**VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE
RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**AN ORDINANCE TO RENUMBER ARTICLES V AND VI, AND CREATE ARTICLE V
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE, RACINE
COUNTY, WISCONSIN, RELATING TO THE PLACEMENT OF MAILBOXES IN THE
RIGHT OF WAY**

**THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE, RACINE COUNTY,
WISCONSIN, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That Article VI of the Code of Ordinances for the Village of Yorkville entitled "Special Assessments" be, and hereby is, renumbered as Article VII.
2. That Article V of the Code of Ordinances for the Village of Yorkville entitled "Ponds" be, and hereby is, renumbered as Article VI.
3. That Article V of the Code of Ordinances for the Village of Yorkville be, and hereby is, created to read as follows:

"Article V. Mailboxes

Sec. 38-161. – Placement of mailboxes in the right of way.

Mailboxes are prohibited on village rights-of-way except as hereinafter provided:

- (a) Mailboxes are approved only if they are of a construction or design approved by the United States Postal Service or previously approved by the Postmaster. A copy of the Postmaster General's current guidelines can be obtained at the administrator-clerk's office.
- (b) Newspaper tubes are permitted only if provided by the newspaper or of a construction or design that will not present a hazard to the public use of the right-of-way. Where the newspaper tube used has not been provided by the newspaper, the administrator/clerk or designee shall have authority to approve the tube. If the administrator/clerk or designee refuses to approve the newspaper tube, it must be removed.
- (c) A nameplate bearing the name and address number of the mailbox owner shall be permitted on each box.

- (d) The support for the mailbox and newspaper tube shall adhere to the standards governing construction of mailbox supports as established by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (“DOT”), and shall not constitute a hazard to the public use of the right-of-way. A copy of the DOT’s current guidelines can be obtained at the administrator/clerk’s office.
- (e) Mailbox and newspaper tubes must be located on the side of the road required by the United States Postal Service and so that the door to the mailbox or protruding end of the newspaper tube is at least one (1) foot from the paved portion of the highway.
 - (1) Where there are guardrails, mailboxes should be installed behind the guardrails, projecting enough for the carrier to reach them.
 - (2) In the event no shoulder exists due to a tree line or other obstacle, the face of the mailbox must be flush with the tree line or obstacle.
- (f) The owner of each mailbox and/or newspaper tube shall, within twenty-four (24) hours after the end of each snowfall, remove all snow and ice which has fallen or accumulated in front of said mailbox and/or said newspaper tube and shall remove the snow for a distance of fifteen (15) feet to each side of said mailbox and/or newspaper tube.
- (g) No other object of any kind shall be attached to the mailbox, newspaper tube or their supports. No other objects, including, but not limited to, landscaping boulders or fences may be placed on the right-of-way. As provided in Wis. Stat. §346.41(3), blue reflectors may be placed on the mailboxes to increase visibility.
- (h) This Section is not intended to and shall not be construed to create any affirmative duty on the part of the village to locate and remove obstructing mailboxes. The village is not liable for damage to mailboxes caused by snowplowing, nor for bodily injury or property damage caused to third parties by mailboxes.

Secs. 38-162 - 38-170. Reserved.”

- 4. That this ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication as provided by law.

Adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Yorkville, Racine County, Wisconsin, this 14th day of February, 2022.


VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absences: 0

By: 
Douglas Nelson, President

Attest: 
Michael McKinney, Administrator/Clerk

Village of Yorkville
Notice of Newly Enacted Ordinance

Please take notice that, on Monday, February 14, 2022, the Village Board of the Village of Yorkville enacted Ordinance 2022-01, entitled "To Renumber Articles V and VI, and create Article V of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Yorkville, Racine County, Wisconsin, relating to the placement of mailboxes in the right of way".

The full text of this ordinance may be obtained from the Village of Yorkville Administrator/Clerk's office, 925 15th Avenue, Union Grove, Wisconsin 53182, or through the Village's website at www.villageofyorkville.com. The phone number for the Administrator/Clerk is (262) 878-2123.

Michael McKinney
Administrator/Clerk