

**VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGTON**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-11.17 (3)**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11 ENTITLED “UTILITIES”, SECTION 11.17 ENTITLED “USE OF SEWAGE SYSTEM”, OF THE VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE.**

NOW, THEREFORE, the Village Board of the Village of Bloomington, Grant County Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

**Section I:** Chapter 11 entitled “Utilities”, Section 11.17 entitled “Use of Sewage System” of the Village of Bloomington Municipal Code shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

**11.17 USE OF SEWAGE SYSTEM**

(3) Restrictions with respect to domestic and commercial wastes to be discharged to the sewer:

- (a) **DISCHARGE PROHIBITED.** Except as otherwise expressly authorized in this Section, no ponds, water fountains, water from any roof, surface, foundation drain, groundwater sump pump, swimming pool, or other natural precipitation shall be discharged into the sanitary sewer system. Dwellings and other buildings and structures which require, because of infiltration of water into basements, crawl spaces, and the like, a sump pump discharge system shall have a permanently installed discharge line which shall not at any time discharge water into a sanitary sewer system. A permanent installation shall be one which provides for year round discharge capability to either the outside of the dwelling, building, or structure, or is connected to a storm sewer or discharge through the curb and gutter to the street. Within the home or business, the sump pump discharge pipe shall consist of a rigid discharge line, without valves or quick connections, which would alter the path of discharge. However, if the line is directly connected to a storm sewer line or catch basin a check valve and an air gap are required.
- (b) **INSPECTIONS.** Property owners shall allow an employee of the Village or a designated representative of the Village to inspect the buildings to confirm that there is no sump pump or other prohibited discharge into the sanitary sewer system. A property owner may hire a licensed plumber to complete the inspection at the property owner’s complete expense. The licensed plumber hired to complete the inspection must fill out and sign the proper form work that is available at the Village Office. The Village may periodically re-inspect any building or premise to determine compliance with the requirements of this ordinance.
- (c) **REMOVAL OF ILLEGAL CONNECTIONS.** Any property owner who has made any connection or installation in violation of this ordinance shall immediately remove such connection or correct such an installation. If not removed or corrected within **90** calendar days after notice of the violation has been delivered personally or by certified

mail to the owner, the Village may impose a surcharge in the amount provided in Section (6) below of this Ordinance. Such a surcharge may also be imposed upon any property owner who refuses to permit an inspection of the premises, including a re-inspection, within **90** calendar days after notice of demand for inspection has been delivered. The property Owner may be given an extension to remove or correct their installation if weather conditions prevent the removal or correction from being completed.

(d) SUMP PUMP AND RIGID PIPE REQUIRED.

- (1) New Subdivisions: All Construction. A sump pump and rigid pipe discharge connection to the outside shall be required for all construction in new subdivisions. The sump pump and rigid pipe discharge requirement will apply to all units constructed within a specific subdivision. The homeowner may request a variance from this requirement by the Village's Director of Public Works if conditions exist where a sump pump will not be necessary.
- (2) Existing subdivisions: New Construction. Any new construction in a subdivision platted prior to the effective date of this ordinance shall be required to install a sump pump and rigid pipe discharge connection to the outside. The sump pump and rigid pipe discharge requirement will apply to all units constructed within a specific subdivision. The homeowner may request a variance from this requirement by the Village's Director of Public Works if conditions exist where a sump pump will not be necessary.
- (3) Existing Subdivisions: Existing Construction. Any existing construction in a subdivision platted prior to the effective date of this ordinance in which a sump pump has been or will be installed, shall be required to install a rigid pipe connection discharge in accordance with Section 5(b) above, It shall be unlawful to maintain any connection with the sanitary sewer carrying roof water, ground water, surface water or any other natural precipitation after the effective date of this ordinance.
- (4) Exceptions. In certain locations where surface storm water discharge would create a safety hazard during freezing weather, connection to the sanitary sewer may be maintained from October 15th to March 15th. In no case, shall any connection to the sanitary sewer be maintained from March 15th to October 15th. Exception will be granted by permit on a case by case basis as determined by the Village Engineer.

(e) SUMP PUMP AND RIGID PIPE: METHOD OF INSTALLATION.

- (1) The building shall have a drain tile placed around the inside or outside perimeter of the foundation that is connected to a sump pit. All baseboard seepage collection systems shall be discharged to the sump pit. The sump pit shall be located at least ten (10) feet away from the inside sanitary floor drain.

- (2) A discharge pipe shall be installed to the outside wall of the building with rigid pipe (plastic, copper, galvanized or black pipe) one (1) inch inside diameter minimum. The discharge pipe must be installed according to all state and local codes. The discharge shall extend at least one (1) foot outside of the foundation wall at a point where there is positive drainage away from the wall.
- (3) Alternate methods of installation.
  - a. The discharge pipe may be connected directly to the municipal underground storm sewer system provided the discharge is at a higher elevation than the normal flow level and that an approved backflow prevention device is installed.
  - b. The discharge may be connected directly to the municipal curb and gutter system provided the pipe is placed under the sidewalk or boulevard and through the back of the curb and that an approved backflow prevention device is installed.
- (f) **SURCHARGE.** A surcharge of Twenty Five Dollars (\$25) per month for the first three (3) months and One Hundred Dollars (\$100) per month thereafter is hereby imposed on every sewer bill to property for the following conditions:
  - (1) Failure to comply with this ordinance; or
  - (2) Refusal to permit property inspection.
- (g) **NON-PAYMENT OF SURCHARGE.** If the surcharge is not received by the Village of Bloomington, the Village reserves the right to assess the property owner the unpaid balance.
- (h) **EXCEPT AS HEREINAFTER PROVIDED,** no person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any of the following described liquids or solid wastes to any sanitary sewer:
  - (1) Any gasoline, benzene, Naptha, fuel oil, or other flammable or explosive liquid, solid or gas.
  - (2) Any ashes, cinders, sand, mud, straw, shavings, metal, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, paunch manure, or any other solid or sticky substance capable of causing obstruction of the flow in sewers or other interference with the proper operation of the sewage works.
  - (3) Any waters or wastes containing toxic or poisonous substance in sufficient quantity to injure or interfere with any sewage treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans and animals, or create any hazard in the receiving treatment facility.
  - (4) Any waters or wastes containing suspended solids of such character and quantity that unusual attention or expense is required to handle such material at the sewage treatment plant.
  - (5) Any noxious or malodorous gas or substance capable of creating a public nuisance.

- (6) Any garbage that has not been properly shredded.
- (7) Any liquid or vapor having a temperature higher than 150°F.
- (8) Any water or waste which may contain more than 100 parts per million by weight of fat, oil or grease.
- (9) Any waters or wastes having pH lower than 5.5 or higher than 9.0, or having any corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment, and personnel of the sewage works.

**Section II:** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication or posting as required by law. All other sections of Chapter 11 of the Village of Bloomington Municipal Code not specifically amended under this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect as drafted.

Adopted and approved this 5 day of August, 2019, by the Village Board of the Village of Bloomington, Grant County, Wisconsin.

VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGTON by:

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Richard Udelhofen, President

**ATTEST:** I, Mary A. Culligan, Village Clerk/Treasurer, do hereby certify that the amendment to Chapter 11 entitled "Utilities", Section 11.17 entitled "Use of Sewage System" of the Village of Bloomington Municipal Code, Grant County, Wisconsin, at a meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

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Mary A. Culligan, Village Clerk/Treasurer