

Town of North Hills

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCES

The following summary is intended to familiarize residents, renters, businesses, and prospective residents with the ordinances for the town of north hills. The summary is not all inclusive; questions or clarification should be addressed to the north hills town council.

Town council normally meets the second and fourth Thursday at Ohio Valley University at 7:00pm.

Refusal to comply with city ordinances can result in liens being filed against the property, significant monetary fines, towing of non-compliant vehicles, and other court action. While this may be considered harsh, these standards and actions (if required) are intended to protect the investment of all town residents, the beauty and attractiveness of the town, and the living pleasure and safety of all.

STREET USER FEE

*Each resident or lot owner is required to pay a street user fee of \$400 per year (two installments) for road maintenance, paving, and snow removal. This revenue accounts for nearly 60pct of the town budget. Refusal to pay will result in a lien being filed against the property, substantial penalty for delayed payment, and possible legal action.

- * payments of \$200 each are due by February 15th and august 15th to prevent penalties

- * the lien process filing fee is \$100

- * the interest on any unpaid amount is 1.5 percent per month or 18 percent annually

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RESIDENCES

All town residences shall be single family residences; rental of rooms within a residence shall not be permitted.

PARKING

- * parking is prohibited on any town road when snow removal is expected.
- * parking is not allowed on the grassy areas of town property; for example, at the pond. A parking lot is provided.
- * parking on unpaved areas on the lawn of a residence is not permitted.
- * parking within 30 feet of a stop sign or 10 feet of a fire hydrant is not allowed.
- * double parking on a town road is not allowed.
- * trailers, boats and rv's are not to be parked on town roads or parking lots.
- * boats or recreational vehicles may not be stored on a resident's lot (front or side yards) but may be stored in an existing garage or paved driveway.
- * the business vehicle(s) of a resident larger than a pickup truck or van and/or business trailers shall not be permitted to be routinely parked overnight on town streets or on a residents' property.
- * the work vehicle(s) of a resident with industrial hardware and/or flammable and/or hazardous materials shall not be routinely parked on a resident's property or town streets.
- *overnight parking is prohibited on any town road with a yellow centerline; this is in effect the entire north hills drive road and loop.

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LOT MAINTENANCE

any person occupying or owning a lot is responsible for the removal of weeds, rubbish, debris, plant growth or other deleterious material. Lawns and landscaping are expected and required to be well maintained.

BUILDING REQUIREMENTS

Building permits, available thru town council at council meetings, are required for all work that is not "replacement in kind". Additions, modifications, storage buildings, excavation, decks, fences, roof or ground antenna construction, etc. All require building permits and must be approved by council prior to initiating construction.

Grading, stripping, or removal of soil in excess of four inches requires a permit prior to the beginning of any work.

There is a town building code for the construction of swimming pools.

There are specific standards and restrictions for fence construction.

Storage buildings may be permitted but must be approved by council and must meet certain minimum guidelines set by council.

ADDITIONAL RESIDENCE

No travel trailers, outbuildings, or garage located on a residents' property are to be used for additional residence either temporarily or permanently.

BUSINESSES WITHIN THE TOWN

No notable places of business or trade can be constructed or permitted in the town. The snack bar at the north hills swim and racquet club is excepted. Clarification and questions must be addressed at a scheduled council meeting.

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DOGS AND CATS

Dogs and cats are not allowed to roam freely off of the property of the resident; when the animal is “off of the property”, it must be under the control of the owner by use of a leash or rope. Excessive barking is considered to be “disturbing of the peace”.

DISTURBING OF THE PEACE

It is prohibited to cause any noise that disturbs the peace and quiet of any resident of the town; examples include but are not limited to the unreasonable sounding of bells or horns, barking dogs, loud exhaust discharge from a combustion engine, stereo or radio, excessive construction noise outside the hours of 7:00am to 6:00pm, or other noises designed to attract attention, etc.

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