

## ARTICLE 6

### PROVISIONS REGARDING THE PARKING OF VEHICLES UPON LANDS OWNED BY WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP

#### 601 PURPOSES

The purposes of this Article are to protect lands owned by Whitehall Township from misuse and/or damage caused by indiscriminate and unapproved parking of vehicles upon such land, to prevent blight, and to protect natural resources.

#### 602 DEFINITIONS

A. The term "Vehicle" shall have the meaning conferred by Section 79 of the Michigan Vehicle Code, being MCL 257.79. A vehicle further includes and means every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, excepting devices exclusively moved by human power. Provided further that a "vehicle" shall not be disqualified as such regardless whether it is or is not in operating condition.

B. The term "Control Device" means all signs, signals, markings and other written notification placed or erected upon lands owned by the Township by the Township Parking Officer.

C. The term "Township Parking Officer" shall be deemed such person or persons appointed by the Township Board for the purpose of enforcing this Ordinance and shall include any deputy sheriff for the County of Muskegon.

D. The term "Person" shall include any legal entity.

#### 603 TOWNSHIP PARKING OFFICER

The Township may designate one or more persons as "Township Parking Officer," for the purpose of enforcing this ordinance. The Township Supervisor and Zoning Administrator are hereby designated as such. Such tasks shall include but not be limited to:

A. Obtaining, placing, erecting and maintaining appropriate parking control devices;

B. Warning violators of this ordinance and of the nature and existence of such violation;

C. Obtaining the assistance of the Muskegon County Sheriff Department or other authorized law enforcement agency for the purpose of issuing misdemeanor appearance citations to the owner(s) and/or operator(s) of vehicles deemed to be in violation of this ordinance; and

D. Arranging for the removal and impoundment of vehicles, at the expense of the owner(s) and/or operator(s) thereof, of vehicles deemed to be in violation of this ordinance.

#### **604 PROHIBITION**

No vehicle, whether occupied or not, shall be operated or parked upon any land owned by the Township except in areas so authorized by the Township Board or a Township Parking Officer. Appropriate parking control devices shall be located upon lands owned by the Township providing notice of such prohibition to the owner(s) and/or operator(s) of vehicles.