

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE REGULATING OUTDOOR STORAGE OF JUNK AND JUNK VEHICLES IN THE TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY

WHEREAS, the Town of Mount Holly has, by authority granted in 24 V.S.A. §§ 19811 et seq., 2246 and 2291, the powers to adopt, amend, repeal and enforce ordinances, and to manage and regulate outdoor storage of junk and junk motor vehicles within its boundaries; NOW THEREFORE, to protect the public health, safety and well being and to promote the responsible use of resources and protection of the environment, the Select Board of the Town of Mount Holly hereby adopts an amended ordinance to regulate outdoor storage of junk and junk motor vehicles.

The principal provisions of the amended ordinance include requirements regarding placement, discard, or abandonment of junk and junk vehicles; requirements regarding operation of a junkyard; and enforcement procedures and penalties for violations of the ordinance. The amended ordinance makes minor adjustments to the existing ordinance adopted in 2006, including adjustments to penalties associated with ordinance violations.

The full amended ordinance contains the following key articles:

1. Definitions
2. Requirements
3. Enforcement and Penalties
4. Additional Provisions for Junk Motor Vehicles
5. Severability
6. Effective Date

The amended ordinance was adopted on May 9, 2023, at a Regular Select Board Meeting, and will become effective 60 days after its adoption by the Select Board unless voters of the town petition for a permissive referendum in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 1973.

Mount Holly voters are hereby advised that an ordinance or rule adopted by a municipality may be disapproved by a vote of a majority of the qualified voters of the municipality voting on the question at an annual or special meeting duly warned for the purpose, pursuant to a petition signed and submitted in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 1973. Such a petition for a vote on the question of disapproving an ordinance or rule shall be signed by not less than five per cent of the qualified voters of the municipality, and presented to the legislative body or the clerk of the municipality within 44 days following the date of adoption of the ordinance or rule by the legislative body.

Town Holly residents may review the full text of the ordinance at the Mount Holly Town Office, Mount Holly Post Office, Belmont Post Office, Mount Holly Library, and Belmont Store, as well as at www.mounthollyvt.org.

Questions may also be submitted to the Mount Holly Select Board at mounthollyselectboard@gmail.com, via mail at P.O. Box 248 Mount Holly, VT 05758, or by calling (802) 259-2391.