

**TOWN OF ATHELSTANE  
EYE SORE AND BLIGHTED PROPERTY  
ORDINANCE #8**

The Town Board of Athelstane, Marinette County, Wisconsin does hereby ordain as follows:

**SECTION 1 - Definitions:** The following terms shall have the following meanings

1. **Blighted Property** shall mean real property on which are located structures which are not inhabitable because of deterioration or other causes or property which has been declared uninhabitable by appropriate health officials.
2. **Trash** shall mean any motor vehicle, lawn or garden implement, household appliance or fixture, trailer, travel trailer, tires or similar item which is not in working condition.
3. **Privacy Fence** shall mean a fence constructed of wood, masonry or any other material approved by the Town Board of Athelstane or their designee. Fence shall be a minimum of six feet high with finished side facing toward contiguous properties.

**SECTION 2 -** No owner, lessee or occupier of any real property in the Town of Athelstane may permit that property to become a blighted property.

**SECTION 3 -** Property owners of “Trash” visible from the highway/road or visible to the public shall install a privacy fence to obscure the view of such material from the public highway.

**SECTION 4 -** All vehicles licensed and operable by State law shall not be considered a junk motor vehicle.

**SECTION 5 -** The Town Board of Athelstane shall notify, in writing, the owner of the real estate (as indicated on the tax roll) in violation of this ordinance to correct any condition which violated this ordinance.

**SECTION 6** - Any person in violation of this ordinance shall correct any violation(s) **within sixty (60) days** of the date of such written notification.

**SECTION 7 – PENALTY**

Any person not in compliance shall be adjudged a forfeiture of \$25.00 per day commencing on the 61<sup>st</sup> day after the notification was sent plus those costs of prosecution permitted by Wisconsin statutes.

**SEVERABILITY**

In the event that any section or sections herein shall be ruled unconstitutional by any competent court, such determination shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the others sections of this Ordinance and the remainder of said Ordinance shall remain in effect.

This ordinance adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Athelstane on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

The Town Board of Athelstane

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
John Dobratz - Chairman Janice DuChateau - Clerk

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