

ORDINANCE NO. 623

**VILLAGE OF BELLEVUE, ILLINOIS
BURNING ORDINANCE**

ARTICLE I

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Burning Ordinance of the Village of Bellevue. This Ordinance shall be effective from and after the date of its passage and publication as provided by law. All ordinances, resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance.

ARTICLE II

For the purpose of this Ordinance certain terms and words are hereby defined as follows:

- (a) "Village" means the Village of Bellevue.
- (b) "Village Staff" means any employee of the Village of Bellevue.
- (c) "Open Burning" is defined as the burning of any material or substance in such a manner that products of combustion resulting from the burning are emitted directly into ambient (surrounding outside) air without passing through an adequate stack, duct or chimney.
- (d) "Recreational Fire"/"Bonfire" is defined as an outdoor fire, for the purpose of viewing, warming, cooking food or for ceremonial purposes.
- (e) "Yard Waste" means vegetative matter resulting from landscaping and yard maintenance operations and includes materials such as tree and shrub trimmings, vegetables, flowers, grass clippings, trees and tree stumps.

ARTICLE III

Open Burning will be allowed only under the following conditions:

- (a) Open Burning that is hazardous due to smoke or odor emissions when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous are prohibited.
- (b) The Village is authorized to order the immediate extinguishment of any Open Burning which creates or adds to a hazardous situation. All Open Burning must be extinguished no later than 11:00 p.m.
- (c) Open Burning of any material or substance that emits hazardous emissions or pollutants is prohibited.
- (d) Open Burning of any material or substance on sidewalks, public streets, alleys, right-of-ways, or highways is prohibited.
- (e) Open Burning of Yard Waste is limited to waste generated on a single lot.

**ARTICLE IV
RECREATIONAL FIRES/BONFIRES**

Recreational Fires/Bonfires are allowed subject to the following conditions:

- (a) All Recreational Fires/Bonfires shall be extinguished no later than 11:00 p.m.
- (c) Recreational Fires/Bonfires are strictly prohibited on sidewalks, public streets, alleys, right-of-ways, or highways.
- (b) Recreational Fires/Bonfires shall be contained in an outdoor fireplace, fire/barbecue pit, campfire ring or other appropriate container. The use of devices made of earth, stone, or metal designed for the purpose of containing a fire shall also be permitted.
- (c) Recreational fires identified as hazardous due to excessive smoke or odor emissions are prohibited. The Village may order the extinguishment of any recreational fire that creates or adds to a hazardous situation.

**ARTICLE V
VIOLATION, PENALTIES, ENFORCEMENT**

This Ordinance shall be administered and enforced by the Village President and/or the Village of Bellevue Enforcing Officer appointed by the Village Board of Trustees, who is hereby designated and herein referred to as the Enforcing Officer. Proper authorities of the Village may institute any appropriate action or proceedings against a violator as provided by statute.

Any persons, firms or corporations, or agents, employees or contractors of such, who violate, disobey, omit, neglect or refuse to comply with or who resist enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$750.00. Each day that a violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2008.

 6 AYES

 0 NAYS

 0 ABSENT

VILLAGE OF BELLEVUE, ILLINOIS

By: Ralph E. Wilson
Ralph E. Wilson, President

Attest: Carol A. Howard
Carol A. Howard, Village Clerk