ORDINANCE 03-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE SECTION 452.16 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK, OHIO

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate to revisit, clarify, and update regulations from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended revising Section 452.16 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Minerva Park to promote vehicle and pedestrian safety as well as expeditious snow removal;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Council of the Village of Minerva Park, Franklin County, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. Section 452.16 of the Ordinances of the Village of Minerva Park, Ohio is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) In order to facilitate the clearing of streets and to expedite the safe, free flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic during periods of measurable snowfall, motor vehicles shall not be parked on streets:

(1) At such times as the National Weather Service indicates two inches (2") of snow have fallen and there is prospect of further snowfall or ice accumulation; or
(2) When the Mayor/Administrator or Chief of Police, at his or her discretion, declares an emergency due to excessive snow; or
(3) When a Level 1 or greater Snow Emergency has been declared by the Franklin County Sheriff.

(b) All motor vehicles parked on streets prior to the time weather conditions dictate prohibited parking must be removed promptly by the owners or operators. In the event that a snow emergency has been declared, motor vehicles must be removed from roadways within two (2) hours after announcement of such emergency. Any vehicle parked in violation of these prohibitions shall be subject to fines provided herein and may be removed by authorized agents of the Village of Minerva Park at the order of the Chief of Police or Mayor/Administrator.

(c) The Mayor/Administrator or Chief of Police shall, through readily available media (such as the Village website or social media outlets), disseminate information as to the existence of a declared emergency. It shall be the responsibility of the owners or operators of motor vehicles to ascertain if weather conditions or a declared emergency requires the removal of their motor vehicles from the streets and to remove all vehicles parked in violation of this section.

(d) Any vehicles removed by authorized agents of the Village shall be removed to a motor vehicle pound as designated by the Chief of Police or Mayor/Administrator. Records of motor vehicles removed, and their locations, shall be maintained by the Police Department.
Section 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements of the laws of the State of Ohio.

Section 3. All prior legislation, or any parts thereof, which is/are inconsistent with this Ordinance is/are hereby repealed as to the inconsistent parts thereof.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

/S/ Lynn Eisentrout

Lynn Eisentrout, Mayor

First Reading: February 26, 2018
Second Reading: March 12, 2018
Third Reading: March 26, 2018
Passed: March 26, 2018

ATTEST

/S/ Kimberly Pulley
Kimberly Pulley, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM

/S/ Eugene Hollins
Solicitor