

Lets All Be Good Neighbors

Everyone loves a good neighbor. When you live in a zoned community, such as the City of Bangor, there are number of ordinances which are designed for everyone's good. They can be called 'good neighbor' ordinances. These ordinances also:

- Protect the quality of life
- Maintain safety
- Protect property values
- Prevent eyesores and nuisances

We also hope they reflect common sense. All have been established by City Councils since 1877 when the community was first organized as a Village and since 1968 when Bangor became a City.

Here are some things you can do to make sure you are a good neighbor.

- ✓ Barking dogs need to be taken care of A 'rule of thumb' would be after 15-minutes of barking, your neighbors have probably had enough and you need to bring the dog inside.
- ✓ Dogs are not allowed to run loose through the city. Please keep them on your property or walk with them on a leash them.
- ✓ Loud music is offensive to most, whether it comes from your car or your home. Please turn it down.
- ✓ Blocking the streets or sidewalks (with cars, basketball hoops, bicycles, or other items) is not safe for those playing or those driving on the streets. Please keep hoops in driveways or yards and please keep all parked vehicles at least 1-foot off the paved roadway. Please don't let children play in the streets. Also, please don't block pedestrians who may be using the sidewalks.
- ✓ Parking in your front yard destroys grass and hurts property values. Please park in your driveways.
- ✓ Trash carts left by the road create an eyesore and a driving hazard. Drivers have a hard time seeing pedestrians, other drivers, or children at play. Please bring them in from the road and place them along the side of your house or garage.
- ✓ Trash and debris creates an eyesore, detracts from the quality of life and lowers property values. Accumulations of trash and debris also harbor rats and other rodents. Please keep your yard free of loose trash and debris. Weekly residential trash pick up is provided by Reliable Disposal and the City provides weekly trash pick-up, yard waste pick-up, leaf pick-up, and brush pick-up in season. Spring clean-up for large items is also made available each year. Reliable Disposal also provides each residential customer access to their dump for large items that need

to be disposed of at times other than the annual Spring clean-up. There are many options available to you for the proper disposal of trash and debris.

- ✓ Junk and inoperable vehicles are a hazard as well as an eyesore and lowering property values. Every vehicle in the open on your property must be able to start and roll on its own power. You may keep one unlicensed and untagged vehicle as long as it can start and roll.
- ✓ Un-mowed yards are unsightly and unhealthy. They detract from the quality-of-life and property values as well as providing safe haven for rats and other vermin. Please keep your yard mowed.