

VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 22, 2021

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: PUBLIC HEARING

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 3

AGENDA ITEM: PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW REVISING CHAPTER 234 TO CLARIFY ARTICLE VIII-NOISE §234-26 UNNECESSARY NOISE (I) LEAF

BLOWERS AND POWER TOOLS AND PROVIDE FOR CONSISTENCY

OF ENFORCEMENT

ITEM BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

- 1. LEGAL NOTICE
- 2. INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW



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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Dobbs Ferry Village Board of Trustees will conduct a public hearing on Tues., June 22, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to receive public comment on local Law 3-2021 containing proposed revisions to Chapter 234 of the Village Code to (i) clarify existing limitations on the use of gas-powered leaf blowers and (ii) make the defined periods of prohibition more consistent with neighboring communities

It is anticipated that the hearing will be conducted virtually and streamed live, because this method (i) meets the Village goal of protecting public health and safety; (ii) complies with NYS legal requirements, and (iii) conforms with the Governor's Executive Orders related to the ongoing COVID-19 Health Emergency. If in-person participation at Village Hall, 112 Main Street will meet the above criteria at the scheduled time of the hearing, then the public will be notified accordingly.

Interested parties may follow any of the following instructions to be heard: For virtual participation, the web-based videoconferencing service (Zoom) can be accessed by typing "join.zoom.us" on your web browser and entering the Webinar ID 861 5028 5812, Passcode: 289013, or by following link:

https://zoom.us/j/205957953?pwd=aU5YNHJVYkxub21WN0RzQUZoVzROUT09 For participation by Telephone: dial 1 929 205 6099 during the hearing; or to provide written comments, please forward in advance to the Village Clerk, 112 Main Street or by e-mail LDreaper@dobbsferry.com.

Further details on the proposed local law and instructions for participation may be found online at the Village of Dobbs Ferry website, www.dobbsferry.com

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Dated: June 14, 2021 Elizabeth Dreaper Village Clerk

INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW

"An Amendment to the Village of Dobbs Ferry Code Chapter 234 to Clarify Limitations on the Use of Leaf Blowers to Meet the Intent of Lessening the Effect of Noise on the Quality of Life.

A LOCAL LAW to clarify the limitations on the use of leaf blowers to meet the intent of lessening the effect of noise on the quality of life and revise the periods of prohibition for consistency with neighboring communities.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dobbs Ferry, as follows:

Section 1. <u>Legislative Intent</u>. In furtherance of its overarching goal of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the public, and in support of preserving the quality of life and encouraging mutually respectful enjoyment of property, the Village Board of Trustees desires to amend the Code to (i) properly reflect the intent that led to the adoption of Local Law 9-2013, and (ii) to revise the defined periods of prohibition on use of gas-powered leaf blowers for consistency with neighboring communities.

Section 2. Chapter 234 of the Code of Dobbs Ferry, Section § 234-26 "Unnecessary noise", Section (I) "Leaf Blowers and outdoor power tools", subsection (1) is hereby amended as follows, with new matter <u>underlined</u> and deleted matter struck and in [brackets]:

(1) The use of all leaf blowers, excluding electric-powered, <u>are prohibited except</u> between March 15 and May 15 and September October 15 and December 15, and then only from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, and 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

Section 3. Except as otherwise provided herein, all other provisions of Chapter 234 shall remain the same.

Section 4. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with Secretary of State.