

VILLAGE OF OTISVILLE
BOARD OF HEALTH
Ordinance No. 16

An Ordinance relative to the Board of Health.

The Village of Otisville Ordains:

SECTION 1:

That the Board of Health of said Village shall consist of the President and Clerk of said Village and one Health Officer, to be appoint annually by the Common Council.

SECTION 2:

The Village Council shall annually appoint a Health Officer, who shall hold such office for one year, or until his successor shall be appointed and has qualified.

SECTION 3:

No person shall be eligible as such Health Officer unless he be an elector of said Village, a graduate of some reputable medical college, holding a diploma therefrom, and also actively engaged in the profession of a physician at the time.

SECTION 4:

The Village Clerk shall be clerk such Board of Health, and it shall be his duty to keep in a suitable book, provided for that purpose, complete records of all proceedings had, and resolutions and by-laws passed and adopted by said Board.

SECTION 5:

The physician appointed as Health Officer under Sections Two and Three of this Ordinance shall be acting Officer for said Board when the same is not in session, and it shall be his duty to see that no nuisance dangerous to the public health is permitted to remain in said Village.

SECTION 6:

A majority of the members of said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and it shall be the duty of said Board to hold meetings thereof as often as may be necessary for the transaction of business pertaining to their said office, as often as the exigency of the time may demand. Any member may call a meeting of said Board by giving as least a six-hour notice to the other members. Provided that if all the members of the Board are present such notice is not required, or said Board when once legally convened may adjourn from time to time and in such case, notice is not required.

SECTION 7:

It shall be the duty of the Board of Health, in addition to the other duties required of them, to perform all the duties required of Boards of Health in the various townships by the statues of the State of Michigan.

SECTION 8:

It shall be the duty of the said Board of Health, and they shall have the power, to take all measures as they may deem efficient to prevent the entrances into said Village of any pestilential, infectious or contagious disease and the spreading thereof, and for that purpose said Board of Health Officer may stop, detain and examine any person coming from any place known or believed to be infected with any such disease. Said Board shall have power to establish, maintain and regulate a pest house or hospital at some place convenient to said Village, to cause any person infected or believed to be infected, with any pestilential, contagious or infectious disease, to be removed and confined in said pesthouse or hospital, if said Board shall determine that the removal or confinement of any such person is necessary to protect the public health, to remove from the Village, disinfect or destroy any furniture, working apparel or other goods or property of any kind, know or suspected to be infected with small-pox, or which said Board shall deem likely to pass into such state, or to generate or propagate said disease; and said Board of Health shall have the power, and it shall be their duty, examine into nuisances, sources of filth, and causes of sickness that may, in their opinion, be injurious to the health of the inhabitants of said Village, and destroy, remove or prevent the same, as the case may require.

SECTION 9:

Whenever any nuisance, source of filth or cause of sickness shall be found on private property, the Board of Health or Health Officer shall order the owner or occupant thereof, at his own expense, to remove the same within twenty-four hours, and if the owner or occupant shall not comply with such order of the Board of Health or Health Officer within the time specified, he shall, on conviction thereof, be liable to a fine not to exceed twenty-five dollars and costs of prosecution, and in default of jail or Village lock-up not to exceed thirty days unless such fine and costs are sooner paid, and he shall also be liable to prosecution for a nuisance, under the provision of the Ordinance in relation to nuisances.

SECTION 10:

Whenever such owner or occupant shall refuse or neglect to comply with any order legally made under this Ordinance, such Board of Health or Health Officer, ether under this Ordinance or any other services as such Health Officer.

Approved, Adopted and ordered published in the Otisville Star, a newspaper printed and circulating in the Village of Otisville, this 14th day of October, 1907.

This Ordinance shall take effect November 11, 1907.

(Signed) James J. Misner, President
K. P. Pettit, Village Clerk

I, K. P. Pettit, Clerk of the Village of Otisville do hereby certify that the Foregoing Ordinance was published in the Otisville Star a newspaper, printed, published and circulated in the said Village, on the 25th day of October 1907.