

**BY-LAWS
&
REGULATIONS**

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE**

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

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(Regulations are voted by Selectboard)

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ANIMALS AT LARGE ON PUBLIC WAY

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Community Preservation Committee By Law

1. Establishment

The Town of Northfield hereby establishes a Community Preservation Committee (CPC), consisting of nine (9) voting members pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44B, Section 5. The composition of the committee, the appointing authority, and the term of office for the Committee members shall be as follows:

- One member of the Conservation Commission as designated by the Commission
- One member of the Historical Commission as designated by the Commission
- One member of the Planning Board as designated by the Board
- One member of the Recreation Commission as designated by the Commission
- One member of the Open Space Committee as designated by the Committee
- One member of the Finance Committee as designated by the Committee
- One member to act in the capacity of, or perform like duties of, a member of a Housing Authority; this member is to be appointed by the Selectboard
- Two community-at-large members to be appointed by the Selectboard

The term for appointed and designated CPC members shall begin on July 1, 2009, or the effective date of this bylaw, whichever is later and shall end on June 30, 2010. Thereafter, each member of the CPC shall serve for a term of one year or until the person no longer serves in the position or on the board or committee as set forth above, whichever is earlier.

Should any of the commissions, boards, or committees who have appointing authority under this bylaw be no longer in existence for whatever reason, the appointing authority for that commission, board, or committee shall become the responsibility of the Selectboard.

2. Duties

The CPC shall study the needs, possibilities, and resources of the town regarding community preservation. The committee shall consult with existing municipal boards and committees, including those having representatives on the CPC, or persons acting in those capacities or performing like duties, in conducting such studies. As part of its study, the committee shall hold one or more public informational hearings each calendar year on the needs, possibilities, and resources of the town regarding community preservation possibilities and resources, notice of which shall be posted publicly and published for each of two weeks preceding a hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the town.

3. Recommendations to the Town

In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44B, Section 5, the CPC shall make recommendations to the Town Meeting for the acquisition, creation, and preservation of open space; for the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration of historic resources; for the acquisition, creation, and preservation of land for recreational use; for the acquisition, creation, preservation, and support of community housing; and for the rehabilitation or restoration of open space, land for recreational use, and community housing that is acquired or created as provided in this section. With respect to community housing, the CPC shall recommend,

wherever possible, the reuse of existing buildings or construction of new buildings on previously developed sites. The terms of this section are correspondingly adjusted to the terms of any successor to M.G.L. Chapter 44B, Section 5.

4. Set Aside Recommendations

The CPC may include in its recommendation to the Town Meeting a recommendation to set aside for later spending funds for specific purposes that are consistent with community preservation but for which sufficient revenues are not then available in the Community Preservation Fund to accomplish that specific purpose or to set aside for later spending funds for general purposes that are consistent with community preservation.

5. Annual Revenues; Open Space, Historic Resources and Community Housing

In every fiscal year, the CPC must recommend either that the Town Meeting spend, or set aside for later spending, not less than 10% of the annual revenues in the Community Preservation Fund for open space (not including land for recreational use), not less than 10% of the annual revenues in the Community Preservation Fund for historic resources; and not less than 10% of the annual revenues in the Community Preservation Fund for community housing.

6. Requirement for a Quorum and Cost Estimates

The CPC shall not meet or conduct business without the presence of a quorum. A majority of the members of the CPC shall constitute a quorum. The CPC shall approve its actions by majority vote. Recommendations to the Town Meeting shall include their anticipated costs.

7. Amendments

The CPC shall, from time to time, review the administration of this bylaw, making recommendations, as needed, for changes in the bylaw and in administrative practice to improve the operations of the CPC. The first review shall be completed no later than January 1, 2012, and subsequent reviews shall be completed in no more than five-year intervals.

This bylaw may be amended from time to time by a majority vote of the Town Meeting, consistent with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44B.

8. Severability.

In case any section, paragraph or part of this bylaw is for any reason declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court, every other section, paragraph or part shall continue in full force and effect.

9. Effective Date

This bylaw shall take effect upon approval by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth and after all requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 32 have been met. Each appointing authority shall have thirty (30) days after the effective date to make its appointments.

Approved by Office of the Attorney General June 11, 2009

DOGS

Dog Leash Law

No dog shall be permitted in any street or public place, unless it is effectively restrained by a chain or leash not exceeding twelve (12) feet in length twenty-four (24) hours per day. No person shall keep any dog which by biting, barking, howling, or in any manner disturbs the peace and quiet of

a neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person; nor shall any person permit to roam unleashed any dog that wantonly or without provocation worries or attacks any person or dog or other animal. Enforcement shall be the responsibility of the Police Department and/or the Dog Officer. A fine of \$25.00 will be levied for each violation of this by-law.

Dogs Running at Large

The Northfield Board of Selectmen, acting under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 140, Section 167 are continuing the order that became effective February 10, 1975, whereby all dogs are to be restrained from running at large; said order to remain in effect until further notice.

Any dog being hunted, trained or accompanied by its master, who must accept full responsibility for the dog's behavior, shall not be considered running unrestrained.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this order may result in the dog being confined at a local kennel at the owner's expense.

Dog Waste

It shall be the duty of each person who owns, possesses or controls a dog to remove and dispose of any feces left by such dog on any sidewalk, gutter, street, cemetery, school yard or other maintained public area, or on any maintained private property neither owned nor occupied by said person.

Violation of this Bylaw may be penalized by a non-criminal disposition of the violation as provided in the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 40, Section 21D. Penalty: Warning for the first offense; Warning for the second offense; \$20.00 for the third and subsequent offenses.

Enforcing Persons: Dog Officer, Police Officers

Registering & Licensing of Dogs

All persons residing in the Town of Northfield and keeping and/or maintaining a dog in said Town shall be obligated to register/license each dog on an annual basis. Proof of current Rabies vaccination will be required at registration as required under the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 140, Section 137 and Section 145B, or any amendments thereto. Registration/licensing will be held between February 14th and March 31st of each year.

Residents acquiring new dogs six months old or over, or new residents who bring dogs six months old or over, into the Town of Northfield, will have 30 days from the date of acquiring the dog, or in the case of a new resident, from the date when such person begins residency, in which to comply with this By-law.

Violation of this Bylaw may be penalized by a non-criminal disposition of the violation as provided in the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 40, Section 21D. Penalty: \$15.00.

Enforcing Persons: Dog Officer, Police Officers, Town Clerk.

DRIVING

Whoever violates an ordinance or Bylaw prohibiting persons from driving at a rate of speed inconsistent with public safety or convenience in an attempt to avoid lawful process, may be arrested without a warrant by an officer authorized to make arrests and kept in custody not more than twenty-four hours, Sunday excepted, and within such time he shall be brought before the proper magistrate and proceeded against according to law.

FALSE ALARM

When the Chief of Police determines that the Police Department has responded to a false alarm, he shall impose a charge on the responsible alarm users according to the following schedule.

- A. For the fourth, and subsequent such alarms, \$50.00 per false alarm within the twelve (12) month period, payable to the Town of Northfield. The twelve (12) month period shall begin January 1st and extend for 12 months thereafter.
- B. The charge shall be payable within twenty (20) days from the date of notice. This will operate as a final disposition of the matter with no resulting criminal record.
- C. Violation of this Bylaw may be penalized by a non-criminal disposition of the violation as provided in the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 40, Section 21D. Penalty: \$50.00.
Enforcing Persons: Police Officers.

LITTERING

It shall be unlawful to dispose of or permit to fall from any vehicle refuse or offal on any public street or public land of the Town excepting in a lawfully established garbage or refuse dump and in the manner provided by the rules and regulations of the Board of Health.

NOISE

1. No person shall be sounding a horn, blowing a whistle, or by undue or extreme acceleration of a motor vehicle, including a snowmobile, or by skidding or spinning the wheels of such vehicle on the pavement or road surface, or by other means, make or cause to be made any harsh or unnecessary noise or disturbance.
2. No person shall disturb the peace by unduly loud, disorderly or offensive speech or act in a public way or place open to the public, or block or interfere with the rightful passage of another, or accost or address in profane or obscene language another person, including a Police Officer or other public official engaged in the performance of his/her duty.

Excessive Noise By-Law

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., occupying, having the charge of, or being present in or about any building, structure, premises, shelter, vehicle, boat, or conveyance or any part thereof, in the Town of Northfield (other than that section of any establishment licensed under Chapter 138 of the General Laws) at any time to

cause, suffer, allow or countenance any unnecessary loud, excessive or unusual noise, including any such noises in the operation of any radio, phonograph or other mechanical sound-making device or instrument or reproducing devices of instrument, or in the playing of any band, orchestra, musician, or group of musicians, or in the use of any device to amplify the aforesaid, or making of loud and boisterous singing by any person or group of persons, or in the use of any device to amplify the aforesaid noise, where such noise is plainly audible at a distance of one hundred and fifty (150) feet from the building, structure, premises, shelter, vehicle, boat, or conveyance in which or from which it is produced. The fact that the noise is plainly audible at said distance of one hundred and fifty (150) feet shall constitute prima facie evidence of a violation of this By-Law. Any person shall be deemed in violation of this By-Law who shall make, or aid and abet, or cause or suffer, or countenance, or assist in the making of such noise.

Whoever violates any of the provisions or requirements of this By-Law may be punished by a fine of not more than two hundred (\$200.00) for each offense. All prosecutions of any violation shall begin within six (6) months from the date of the offense. Prosecutions may be entered by any citizen, and it shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen, Police Officers and Constables employed by the Town to prosecute violations of such By-Law which come to their attention.

PERMITS / LICENSES

a. The Tax Collector shall annually furnish to each department, board, commission or (the Licensing Authority), that issues licenses or permits, including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, ("the party"), that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments, or other municipal charges for not less than a twelve-month period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the Appellate Tax Board.

b. The Licensing Authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfer of any party whose name appears on the list furnished to the Licensing Authority from the Tax Collector or with respect to any activity, event or other matter which is the subject of such license or permit and which activity, event or matter is carried out or exercised or is to be carried out or exercised on or about real estate owned by any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the Licensing Authority from the Tax Collector; provided, however, that written notice is given to the party and the Tax Collector, as required by applicable provisions or law, and the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. This list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The Tax Collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the Licensing Authority with respect to such licensing denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purposes of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding and shall not be for any appeal from such license denial, revocation, or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the Licensing Authority receives a certificate issued by the Tax Collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments, or other municipal charges, payable to the Town as the date of issuance of said certificate.

c. Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the Licensing Authority to issue a certificate indicating limitations to the license or permit and the validity of the license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with the agreement. Failure to comply with this agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of the license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.

d. The Board of Selectmen may waive such denial, suspension, or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 268A, Section 1 in the business or activity conducted in or on the property.

PUBLIC WAYS/PUBLIC PROPERTY

Consuming Intoxicating Beverages on Public Ways or Other Public Property. Penalties

1. Whoever shall, within the Town, whether that public way be a Town Way, County Highway, State Highway or a private way open to the public, or in any other place where the public shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$50.00. This section shall also be construed so as to prohibit the consumption of intoxicating beverages by any person standing, sitting, walking, running, or otherwise present within such way or public place as hereinabove defined, or within any vehicle, whether parked or moving, which is within the limits of such public way or place as herein defined.
2. Whoever shall consume any intoxicating beverages in any public building, or in any private way or parking area, including parks, cemeteries, schoolhouses, and school grounds, public squares, or in any private way or parking area regulated under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 18, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$50.00.
3. The foregoing paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not apply to any activity duly licensed by the Board of Selectmen under the applicable provisions of the General Laws. A violation of this By-Law shall be deemed a breach of peace.
4. It shall be the duty of any police officer of the Town to arrest any person who violates the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2, and to cause such persons to be detained until he can be taken before court having jurisdiction of the offense.

Conduct on a Public Way or Other Public Property: Penalties

1. No person shall in violation of General Laws, Chapter 272, Section 59, or any amendments thereto, linger, continue to sit, stand or occupy any part of the public street, public place, public building, or any property not his own or under his control, so as to obstruct or impede the free passage of any other person, after being instructed or directed by a police officer to move on. Any person refusing to comply with this section, after he shall be requested to do so by a police officer, shall be subject to arrest. If the identity of such person is unknown to the police officer, such person may be arrested without a warrant and detained until his identity is ascertained, unless a warrant has been issued against him, or he may be further detained until he can be taken before a court having jurisdiction of the offense.
2. The penalty for any violation of the foregoing sections shall be a fine of not more than \$25.00

RIGHT TO FARM

Section 1 Legislative Purpose and Intent

The purpose and intent of this By-law is to explain the existing Right to Farm accorded to all citizens of the Commonwealth under Article 97, of the Constitution, and all state statutes and regulations thereunder including but not limited to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 3, Paragraph 1; Chapter 90, Section 9, Chapter 111, Section 125A and Chapter 128 Section 1A. We the citizens of Northfield restate and republish these rights pursuant to the Town's authority conferred by Article 89 of the Articles of Amendment of the Massachusetts Constitution, ("Home Rule Amendment").

This General By-law encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmlands within the Town of Northfield by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and Town agencies. This By-law shall apply to all jurisdictional areas within the Town.

Section 2 Existing Definitions

The word "farm" shall include any parcel or contiguous parcels of land, or water bodies used for the primary purpose of commercial agriculture, or accessory thereto.

The words "farming" or "agriculture" or their derivatives shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- farming in all its branches and the cultivation and tillage of the soil;
- dairying;
- production, cultivation, growing, and harvesting of any agricultural, aquacultural, floricultural, viticultural, or horticultural commodities;
- growing and harvesting of forest products upon forest land, and any other forestry or lumbering operations;
- raising of livestock including horses;
- keeping of horses as a commercial enterprise; and
- keeping and raising of poultry, swine, cattle, ratites (such as emus, ostriches and rheas) and camelids (such as llamas and camels), and other domesticated animals for food and other agricultural purposes, including bees and fur-bearing animals.

"Farming" shall encompass activities including, but not limited to, the following:

- operation and transportation of slow-moving farm equipment over roads within the Town;
- control of pests, including, but not limited to, insects, weeds, predators and disease organism of plants and animals;
- application of manure, fertilizers and pesticides;
- conducting agriculture-related educational and farm-based recreational activities, including agri-tourism, provided that the activities are related to marketing the agricultural output or services of the farm;
- processing and packaging of the agricultural output of the farm and the operation of a farmer's market or farm stand including signage thereto;
- maintenance, repair, or storage of seasonal equipment, or apparatus owned or leased by the farm owner or manager used expressly for the purpose of propagation, processing, management, or sale of the agricultural products; and
- on-farm relocation of earth and the clearing of ground for farming operations.

Section 3 Right To Farm Declaration

The Right to Farm is hereby recognized to exist within the Town of Northfield. The above-described agricultural activities may occur on holidays, weekdays, and weekends by night or day and shall include the attendant incidental noise, odors, dust, and fumes associated with normally

accepted agricultural practices. It is hereby determined that whatever impact may be caused to others through the normal practice of agriculture is more than offset by the benefits of farming to the neighborhood, community, and society in general. The benefits and protections of this By-law are intended to apply exclusively to those commercial agricultural and farming operations and activities conducted in accordance with generally accepted agricultural practices. Moreover, nothing in this Right To Farm By-law shall be deemed as acquiring any interest in land, or as imposing any land use regulation, which is properly the subject of state statute, regulation, or local zoning law.

Section 4 Disclosure Notification

Within 30 days after this bylaw becomes effective, the Select Board shall prominently post in the Town Hall and make available for distribution the following disclosure:

“It is the policy of this community to conserve, protect and encourage the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land for the production of food, and other agricultural products, and also for its natural and ecological value. This disclosure notification is to inform buyers or occupants that the property they are about to acquire or occupy lies within a town where farming activities occur. Such farming activities may include, but are not limited to, activities that cause noise, dust and odors. Buyers or occupants are also informed that the location of property within town may be impacted by commercial agricultural operations.”

In addition to the above, a copy of this disclosure notification as a part of a brochure to be developed by the Agricultural Commission shall be provided by the Town to residents each fiscal year by mail.

Section 5 Resolution of Disputes

Any person who seeks to complain about the operation of a farm may, notwithstanding pursuing any other available remedy, file a grievance with the Select Board, the Zoning Enforcement Officer, or the Board of Health, depending upon the nature of the grievance. The filing of the grievance does not suspend the time within which to pursue any other available remedies that the aggrieved may have. The Zoning Enforcement Officer or Select Board shall forward a copy of the grievance to the Agricultural Commission or its agent, which shall review and facilitate the resolution of the grievance involving all concerned parties, and report its recommendations to the referring Town authority within an agreed upon time frame.

The Board of Health, except in cases of imminent danger or public health risk, shall forward a copy of the grievance to the Agricultural Commission or its agent, which shall review and facilitate the resolution of the grievance involving all concerned parties, and report its recommendations to the Board of Health within an agreed upon time frame.

Section 6 Severability Clause

If any part of this By-law is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remainder of this By-law. The Town of Northfield hereby declares the provisions of this By-law to be severable.

SNOW/WINTER

Vehicle Obstruction of Snow Removal

The Chief of Police, or Police Officer designated by him, may, in accordance with Chap. 40, Sec. 22D, General Laws, as amended, whose provisions are hereby accepted, for the purpose of

removing or plowing snow or ice from any way, remove or cause to be removed to some convenient place, including a public garage, any vehicle which interferes with such work; and in the event of such removal of any vehicle, the actual cost of such removal and any storage or garage charges that may thereby be incurred shall be paid by the owner of such vehicle, subject to the limits of twelve dollars for removal, two dollars for each 24-hour period of storage, and one dollar and fifty cents for any lesser period.

Snow on Town Streets

No person shall throw, or cause to be thrown, or put, any snow or ice from any privately owned property onto any street, land, alley, or other persons property in the Town. Penalty for violation of this regulation will be not less than \$10.00 for each offense.

All Night Parking Ban in Winter

Any vehicles left unattended during winter months between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. on Town highways will be towed at the owners' expense.

Snow/Ice Removal on Sidewalks

Snow and ice shall be removed from sidewalks within the boundaries of the Town of Northfield on the streets named as follows – Main Street, Holton Street, Parker Avenue, Highland Avenue, and Mt. Hermon Station Road, from W. Northfield Road north to the Vermont line – by the owner of land abutting upon said named streets within forty-eight (48) hours following the cessation of a snow/ice storm, by mechanical or other means.

SOLICITING

No person shall go from house to house selling anything for immediate delivery or offering to sell by sample, lists, catalogs or otherwise for future delivery, or to seek contracts for house, windows, roof, chimney, heating or other improvement or installation, nor shall any person go from house to house or place to place within the Town begging or soliciting alms or contributions for any person, cause or organization, either on foot or from any animal or vehicle, without having first recorded his/her name, address and credentials with the Selectboard and furnished such other information as may be requested of them. The Selectboard or their designee shall thereupon, if such credentials appear proper and in order, issue a written permit for a period as designated, which must be shown upon request, and which shall state that the said person has duly registered and thereby entitled to go from place to place within the town for the purpose specified thereon.

The Selectboard may nevertheless authorize the head or directors of any religious organization, veterans group, hospital, Community Chest, Red Cross, Y.M.C.A., United Fund, or other established community organization engaged in social, charitable or educational service to solicit contributions or make sales without registering each solicitor under their direction.

STREET NUMBERS

Street numbers shall be attached to each dwelling, business, industry, and other buildings which are not accessory in nature, in the Town of Northfield:

- a. The numbers shall be made of permanent, weatherproof materials, shall be at least three (3) inches in height in a contrasting color, and shall be clearly visible from the public way upon which the structure fronts.
- b. Any structure that is not visible from the street or roadway shall have the assigned number posted on a suitable support at the entrance to the driveway that services such structure.
- c. The numbers posted shall be those assigned to each structure as filed in the Office of the Board of Selectmen, they shall advise the owners of the number in writing at the property's tax address.
- d. It shall be the responsibility of each property owner in the Town to obtain, display and maintain the assigned street number within ninety days after July 1, 1993
- e. This By-law shall be enforced by the Police Department. Failure to comply with this bylaw shall subject property owners to a fine of not more than twenty-five (\$25) dollars per day for each offense. Each day shall be a separate offense.

TOWN MEETING

Two-Thirds Majority

The Moderator may take all votes requiring a two-thirds majority in the same manner in which he conducts the taking of a vote when a majority vote is required.

TOWN BY-LAWS (ORIGINAL)

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3. No person shall keep any dog which by biting, barking, howling or in any manner disturbs the peace and quiet of a neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person, nor shall any person permit to roam unleashed any dog that wantonly or without provocation attacks other dogs or animals.

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5. No person shall disturb the peace by unduly loud, disorderly or offensive speech or act in a public way or place open to the public, or block or interfere with the rightful passage of another, or accost or address in profane or obscene language another person, including a Police Officer or other public official engaged in the performance of his/her duty.
6. (Amended by vote of Selectboard on 3/4/86) No person shall go from house to house selling anything for immediate delivery or offering to sell by sample, lists, catalogs or otherwise for future delivery, or to seek contracts for house, windows, roof, chimney, heating or other improvement or installation, nor shall any person go from house to house or place to place within the Town begging or soliciting alms or contributions for any person, cause or organization, either on foot or from any animal or vehicle, without having first recorded his/her name, address and credentials with the Selectboard and furnished such other information as may be requested of them. The Selectboard or their designee shall thereupon, if such credentials appear proper and in order, issue a written permit for a period as designated, which must be shown upon request, and which shall state that the said person has duly registered and thereby entitled to go from place to place within the town for the purpose specified thereon.

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7. The Chief of Police, or Police Officer designated by him, may, in accordance with Chap. 40, Sec. 22D, General Laws, as amended, whose provisions are hereby accepted, for the purpose of removing or plowing snow or ice from any way, remove or cause to be removed to some convenient place, including a public garage, any vehicle which interferes with such work; and in the event of such removal of any vehicle, the actual cost of such removal and any storage or garage charges that may thereby be incurred shall be paid by the owner of such vehicle, subject to the limits of twelve dollars for removal, two dollars for each 24-hour period of storage, and one dollar and fifty cents for any lesser period.
8. Wherever not otherwise provided, the penalty for violation of the above By-Laws, and such similar By-Laws as are in effect or may hereafter be added, shall be not less than two dollars (\$2.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00), as provided by Chap. 40, Sec. 21, General Laws, as amended.