

CHAPTER 4024 - SIDEWALKS

1. Definitions. The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation of this Chapter.
 - (a) "Sidewalk" shall mean the portion of the street right-of way designed for pedestrian travel.
 - (b) "Superintendent" shall mean the Superintendent of Public Works of the village.
2. Specifications and Permits. No persons shall construct, rebuild or repair any sidewalk except in accordance with the line, grade, slope and specification established for such sidewalk, nor without first obtaining a written permit from the Superintendent, except that sidewalk repairs of less than fifty (50) square feet of sidewalk may be made without a permit. The fee for such a permit shall be one (1) cent per square foot and a minimum of one (\$1.00) dollar.
3. Line and Grade Stakes. The Superintendent shall furnish line and grade stakes as may be necessary for proper control of the work, but this shall not relieve the owner of responsibility for making careful and accurate measurements in constructing the work to the lines furnished by the Superintendent. Where it is necessary to replace the engineer's stakes disturbed or destroyed without fault on the part of the Village, or its employees, a charge of one (\$1.00) dollar per stake shall be paid.
4. Sidewalk Specifications. Sidewalks shall not be less than four (4) inches in thickness and expansion paper shall be placed in the joints. All concrete used in sidewalk construction shall, twenty-eight (28) days after placement, be capable of resisting a pressure of twenty-five hundred (2500) pounds per square inch without failure.
5. Permit Revocation. The Superintendent may issue a stop order to any permittee holding a permit issued under the terms of this Chapter for failure to comply with this Chapter, or the rules, regulations, plans and specifications established for the construction, rebuilding or repair of any sidewalk, and the issuance of such stop order shall be deemed a suspension of such permit. Such stop order shall be effective until the next regular meeting of the Village Council, and if confirmed by the Council, at its next regular meeting, such stop order shall be permanent, and shall constitute a revocation of the permit.
6. Approval of Specifications. The line, grade, slope and width of sidewalks, and specifications as to materials and manners of construction not in conflict with this

Chapter, shall be established by the Superintendent, and where, under the following sections of this Chapter, the Council orders the construction of any sidewalk, then the Council shall also, by resolution, specify the line, grade, slope, width, materials and manner of construction for the sidewalk ordered built.

7. Ordering Construction. The Village Council may, by resolution, require the owners of lots and premises to build sidewalk in the public streets adjacent to and abutting upon such lots and premises. When such resolution shall be adopted, the Superintendent shall give notice thereof, in accordance with section 12 of Chapter 1001 of this Code, to the owner such lot or premises requiring him to construct or rebuild such sidewalk within twenty (20) days from the date of such notice.
8. Construction by Village. If the owner of any lot or premises shall fail to build any particular sidewalk as described in said notice, and within the time and in the manner required thereby, the Superintendent is hereby authorized and required, immediately after the expiration of the time limited for the construction or rebuilding by the owner, to cause such sidewalk to be constructed and the expense thereof shall be charged to such premises and the owner thereof, and collected as provided in section 10 of Chapter VII of the Charter.
9. Sidewalk Maintenance. No person shall permit any sidewalk within the Village which adjoins property owned by him, to fall into a state of disrepair or become unsafe.
10. Sidewalk Repair. Whenever the Superintendent shall determine that a sidewalk is unsafe for use, notice may be given to the owner of the lot or premises adjacent to and abutting upon said sidewalk of such determination which notices shall be given in accordance with section 12 of Chapter 1001 of this Code. Thereafter, it shall be the duty of the owner to place said sidewalk in a safe condition. Such notice shall specify a reasonable time, not less than seven (7) days , within which such work shall be commenced, and shall further provide that the work shall be completed with due diligence. If the owner of such lot or premises shall refuse or neglect to repair said sidewalk within the time limited therefor, or in a manner otherwise than in accordance with this Chapter, the Superintendent shall have said sidewalk repaired. The cost of repairs hereunder shall be charged against the premises, and shall be collected as provided in section 10 of Chapter VII of this Charter.
11. Sidewalks to be Cleared. The occupant of every lot or premises adjoining any street, or the owner of such lot or premises, if the same are not occupied, shall clear all ice and snow from sidewalks adjoining such lot or premises within the time herein required. When any snow shall fall or drift upon any sidewalk during the nighttime, such snow shall be cleared from the sidewalks by 12:00 noon. Snow falling or

accumulating during the day shall be cleared from the sidewalks by 12:00 noon of the day following.

12. Failure to Clear. If any occupant or owner shall neglect or fail to clear ice or snow from the sidewalk adjoining his premises within the time limited, or shall otherwise permit ice or snow to accumulate on such sidewalk, he shall be guilty of a violation of this Chapter and in addition, the Superintendent may cause the same to be cleared and the expense of removal shall be collectable as provided in section 10 of Chapter VII of the Charter.