TOWNSHIP OF BLENDON

ORDINANCE NO. 65-02

An Ordinance to regulate the keeping of inoperable motor vehicles.

Section 1. Definitions.

As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings ascribed:

"Motor Vehicle" means every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except (1) devices exclusively moved by human power, (2) devices used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks, and (3) "manufactured homes" as defined in the Blendon Township Zoning Ordinance. The term "Motor Vehicle" also includes trailers that are capable of hauling boats, goods or other materials and which would require registration plates issued by the State of Michigan for use upon a public highway.

"Inoperable Motor Vehicle" means a motor vehicle which lacks any of the following:

- 1. Four inflated tires.
- 2. An engine and other components in operating condition.
- 3. Working components required by law to operate a motor vehicle on a public street.

Section 2. Inoperable Motor Vehicles.

No person, corporation, company or other entity may keep an Inoperable Motor Vehicle on any property for a period in excess of 48 hours except:

- 1. Within an enclosed building.
- 2. Within an area approved by the Blendon Township Planning Commission in connection with the use of property as a body shop, automobile repair facility, salvage yard or other use involving the storage, keeping, or repair of inoperable motor vehicles.

Section 3. Penalties

- 1. A violation of this Ordinance shall be a civil infraction subject to a fine. Increased civil fines will be imposed for repeated violations that occur within a six (6) month period. The civil fine for a first offense is \$50.00. The civil fine for the first repeat offense is \$250.00. The civil fine for the second repeat offense is \$500.00. The Township shall also be entitled to equitable relief to abate the violation and to such relief as may be available to the Township pursuant to Chapters 83 and 87 of the Michigan Revised Judicature Act, as amended.
- 2. A violation of any term of provision of this Ordinance, is hereby declared to be a nuisance per se.
- 3. Each day on which any violation of this Ordinance occurs shall constitute a separate civil infraction.
- 4. The Building Inspector and Zoning Administrator of the Township of Blendon and all police officers and deputy sheriffs authorized to act on behalf of the Township of Blendon are authorized to issue civil infraction citations pursuant to this Ordinance.

4. Repeal.

Ordinance 11 is hereby repealed upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

This Ordinance was approved and adopted by the Township Board on May 16, 2002, and shall be effective, 30 days after date of publication.

TOWNSHIP OF BLENDON

by ______ Randall Meppelink, Township Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the foregoing Ordinance was pu	blished in the	Zeeland I	lashes, a newspap	er
of general circulation in Blendon Township on the _	27thday of	May	, 2002.	
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