

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-09

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING IT UNLAWFUL TO RAKE, PLACE OR MOW
FALLEN TREE LEAVES OR GRASS CLIPPINGS ON THE PAVEMENT OR INTO
THE GUTTER OF ANY PUBLIC STREET AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Village of Mount Sterling, Ohio desires to keep its street, sidewalks and gutters free of leaves and grass clipping, and;

WHEREAS, fallen tree leaves and/or grass clipping causes storm water to backup into the streets, sidewalks and basements, and;

WHEREAS, the backup of storm water is a health and safety problem that the Village of Mount Sterling must be addressed immediately.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE
OF MOUNT STERLING, STATE OF OHIO**

SECTION I.

- (1) **It shall be unlawful to rake, place, or mow fallen tree leaves, grass clippings and or garden waste of any type onto the pavement or into the gutter of any public street unless directed by the Village of Mount Sterling.**
- (2) **No person shall permit grass clippings from mower swaths to remain upon sidewalks, street pavements, gutters of any public street, or on abutting property not owned or occupied by said person.**
- (3) **Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; on each subsequent offense such person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.**

SECTION II.

That the Clerk of Council, pursuant to O.R.C, §731.24, shall cause to be published in a manner required by law, this Ordinance.

SECTION III.

This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency measure and is necessary fro the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the Village of Mount Sterling. The emergencies existing are the interests of Public Safety, and General Welfare, Community Appearance and Efficiency of Operation of the storm sewer drainage system. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon the passage and signing by the Mayor.

PASSED:

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Mayor Neff

Submitted to Mayor:

APPROVED:

Date of Approval:

Mark J. Pitstick, Law Director

Approved as to Form

I, _____, the Clerk of Council, hereby certifies that Ordinance 2013-___ was published in _____ Newspaper for once a week for two consecutive weeks beginning on the _____ day of _____, 20__ and ending on the ___ day of _____, 20___. See Attached Sworn Affidavit of Posting by the Newspaper. Further, I certify that a complete copy of the Ordinance was posted in the lobby of Village Hall.

Clerk of Council