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Proposed Nuisance Ordinance draft #1 2-11-2020

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Purpose- to allow the residents of Sugar Island to enjoy the use of their property without adversely effecting other residents of theirs.

BUILDINGS - Buildings that are vacant will have windows and points of entry on ground level 1st floor secured to prevent them from becoming an “attractive nuisance” to children and animals.

Buildings that are in danger of collapse will be secured or removed so that such a collapse would not bring debris within 10 feet of property line, 75 feet from the high water mark and 150 feet from the road right of way.

VEHICLES – Unlicensed vehicles- cars, trucks, motorhomes, camper trailers, boats etc shall not be stored within 25 feet of lot lines, 75 feet from the high water mark and 150 feet from the road right of way.

No vehicle or parts of a vehicle licensed or unlicensed shall be used as a privacy fence within these setbacks.

GARBAGE – Garbage such as household waste, packaging etc will be either stored inside or in a covered container and disposed of on a regular basis.

JUNK – Items that have no use other than salvage or disposal will follow vehicle set backs and disposed of on a regular basis. Until they are disposed of they will be neatly piled and covered if subject to being disburshed by the wind.

BUILDING MATERIAL – Building material on an active construction site will be neatly stacked and covered if subject to being disburshed by the wind. Active construction is considered as work being done within the last 30 days. After construction is completed or inactivity of 30 days building material will follow vehicle set backs. Material will be neatly piled and covered if subject to being disburshed by the wind.

ENFORCEMENT – Upon receipt of a complaint an official appointed by Township will attempt to contact the resident verbally to resolve the complaint. If unable to do so within 10 calendar days the official will send the resident a certified letter given him/her 10 days to resolve the issue. The letter will explain what is needed to resolve the complaint, what the next step by the township will be and what penalties will be involved. If the letter is unable to be delivered or no action taken to resolve the complaint the issue will be referred for prosecution.

PENALTIES – Penalties will include recovery of costs for prosecution, costs incurred to correct the issue and fines of \$20 per day starting with the date the case is filed with the appropriate court.

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