

Sec. 14-21. - Feeding of certain wildlife prohibited.

- (a) *[Feeding of certain wildlife prohibited.]* "Feeding of certain wildlife prohibited" makes it unlawful to feed, provide feed or other attractants, excluding ornamental plants, vegetable gardens and properly hung feeders, to wildlife within the village limits and authorizes the village to enforce this section.
- (b) *Conduct declared unlawful.* It is unlawful to feed, provide feed or other attractants, excluding ornamental plants, vegetable gardens and properly hung feeders, to wildlife within the village limits.
- (c) *Exceptions.* It is legal to feed birds, other than waterfowl, utilizing a bird feeder that can be accessed only by birds. Birdfeeders that are accessed by other animals other than birds or squirrels are in violation.
- (d) *Investigations and complaints.* Upon receipt of a complaint alleging the illegal feeding of wildlife, the village may investigate the complaint to determine if there has been a violation of this ordinance.
- (e) *Citations.*
- (1) The village shall order the responsible party providing feed or attractants to wildlife to stop the procedure immediately. A written warning will be issued for a first offense.
 - (2) A repeat offense will result in a citation being issued.
- (f) *Penalty—Fines.*
- (1) Each day an offense exists shall constitute a separate offense pursuant to this chapter. The village municipal court judge shall assess animal violation fines as set forth in this section.
 - (2) Any person who violates this article or fails to comply with any of its requirements shall upon conviction thereof be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisoned for not more than 90 days, or both, for each violation, and in addition shall pay all costs and expenses involved in the case. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the village from taking such other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

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