



Village of Stockbridge
BACKYARD CHICKEN APPLICATION

Applicant name: Application date:

Phone: E-mail:

PERMIT ADDRESS WHERE HENS WILL BE KEPT:

Please check one. Single family dwelling Multi family dwelling

Number of hens to be kept (no more than 6)

For all new applications please include:

- Completed and Signed application
Site plan drawing showing the location and dimensions of chicken coop, fenced chicken area, house, and other structures on the property (see example)
Description of any/all cages, coops, enclosures... for the purpose of housing and/or confining chickens.
Fence permit and fees if applicable.
All applicable fees.

First time application, requires \$25 inspection fee with no fence permit.

Renewal application with no changes.

Fees: \$10 permit fee for new and renewal applications. \$25 inspection fee if applicable.

Granger will accept chicken waist/bedding if doubled bagged and placed in trash receptacle.

I have read and understand the restrictions of the Village of Stockbridge ordinance regarding Backyard Chickens. I am submitting this application in accordance with and compliance with said ordinance. I understand that violations of the ordinance will result in the Village of Stockbridge revoking the permit for this address and could result in a civil infraction including all applicable fines. Each day a violation exists will constitute a separate civil infraction.

Applicant's signature: Date:

(For office use only)

Permit #:

Date approved: Expiration date:

Approved by: Title:

Comments:

Three horizontal lines for additional comments.

## Ordinance to Regulate Keeping of Backyard Chickens

The Village of Stockbridge Ordains:

Section 1. Section 18-92 of the Village of Stockbridge code regarding Animals is amended to read as follows:

### **Section 18-92. Animals.**

The care or raising of any animals in violation of the provisions of the Ingham County Animal Control Ordinance is prohibited in the Village of Stockbridge. However, the raising of chickens is permitted in the Village of Stockbridge under the following guidelines:

- (a) Chickens - A person living on a residentially zoned parcel may house chickens on said residential zoned parcel, if they comply with all the following requirements:
1. No more than 6 chickens on any residentially zoned parcel.
  2. All chickens must be female. No roosters are allowed under any circumstances.
  3. All chickens must be located in a space that contains a chicken coop located in the backyard of any residentially zoned property and must have a fence around it to prevent the chickens from free ranging.
  4. Neither the chicken coop nor the fenced enclosure shall be located closer than 30 feet to any residential dwellings adjacent to said property.
  5. All feed and other items associated with the keeping of the chickens which might be likely to attract, to become infested with, or infected by rats, mice or other rodents, shall be protected so as to prevent rats, mice or other rodents from gaining access to, or coming into contact with the feed items.
  6. A chicken coop shall be defined as a small building for housing up to six (6) poultry. The building shall contain at least one door, a weatherproof roof, four enclosed sides, and a solid floor to protect the chickens from attack from varmints or predators. The building shall have a drop downside or a removable lid to allow the owner to clean the coop at least every three (3) months, per this Ordinance.
  7. If the above requirements are not complied with, the village may initiate prosecution for a municipal civil infraction. Each day of a continuance of any violation is grounds for issuance of a new civil infraction.
- (b) Chickens shall be provided with a covered chicken coop enclosure and must be kept in the covered enclosure and in a fenced in enclosure at all times. Fenced enclosures are subject to all provisions of the Village's zoning laws.
- (c) For the purposes of this ordinance "backyard" means that portion of a lot(s) enclosed by the property's rear lot line and the side lot lines to the points where the side lot lines intersect with an imaginary line established by the rear of the single family or two-family structure and extending to the side lot lines.
- (d) Cleanup - Manure, used bedding and/or other waste must be regularly cleaned up and removed from the site at a minimum of every three months, and more often as needed, to prevent objectionable smells or odors.

Section 2 If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Village declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, clause, or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

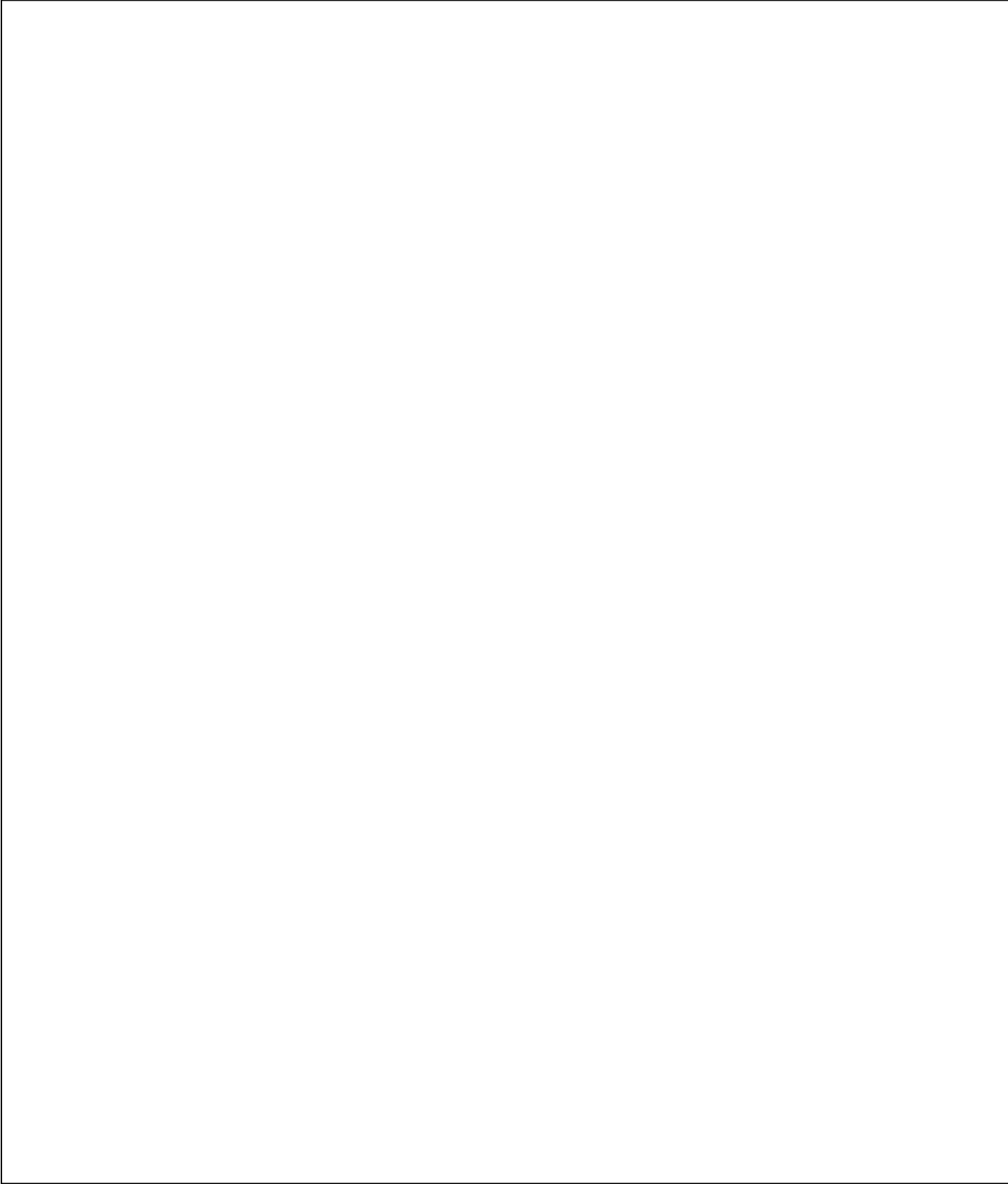
Section 3: To the extent that any prior ordinance contradicts this ordinance, such other ordinance is deemed invalid, only to the extent necessary to give the provisions of this ordinance full effect.

Section 9: This Ordinance shall take effect \_\_\_\_\_

# Lot Diagram

Site Plan:

North



South