

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE OBSTRUCTION OR
POLLUTION OF ANY RIVER, STREAM, BROOK OR
WATERCOURSE IN THE TOWN OF PLAINVILLE**

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Plainville that:

1. For the purposes of this ordinance:
 - (a.) The words "permanent obstruction" shall include any rock or earth fill, or any wall or building or structure of any kind, any bridge, pipe, culvert or any other activity which could alter natural drainage, and,
 - (b.) The word "debris" shall include any wreckage or any organic or inorganic waste materials of any kind whatsoever.
2.
 - (a.) No person or corporation shall place, erect, or install any permanent obstruction within twenty-five (25) feet of the natural bank of any stream, brook, or watercourse within the Town of Plainville except when permission is granted in writing by the Town Council of the Town of Plainville.
 - (b.) A request to the Town Council for such permission must be accompanied by sufficient engineering data, either in writing or drawings or both, to enable the Town Council or its agents to make a finding that the proposed permanent obstruction will not cause or aggravate any problem of flood hazard or pollution of the river, brook, stream or watercourse. Such data shall show with reasonable certainty the natural banks of any river, stream, brook or watercourse.
 - (c.) Such request to the Town Council may be referred to the Town Manager, the Town Engineer, the Planning and Zoning Commission or the Inland Wetlands Commission for their recommendations. In the event of such reference, the referenced agency shall report its recommendations to the Council within thirty (30) days after receipt of reference.
3. No person or corporation shall deposit any debris whatsoever within the visible banks of any river, stream, brook or watercourse, or upon land adjoining any river, stream, brook or

watercourse, from which land said debris may be carried away in the event of flooding or rainfall upon which land such debris may tend to prevent or inhibit the free discharge of flood waters.

4. When any violation of Section 2 or 3 shall be discovered, the Town Council shall issue an order in writing to the person or corporation responsible for such violation to remove the obstruction or debris. If the person or corporation to whom such order is directed shall fail to comply therewith within thirty (30) days, or such longer time as the Council may permit, but in no case more than ninety (90) days, the Council shall instruct the Town Manager to cause the removal of such obstruction or debris and recover the cost of such removal by means of an assessment upon the property of said person or corporation to be collected in the manner provided by the general statutes of the State of Connecticut for the collection of taxes.

Adopted by Town Council October 15, 1962. Amended August 5, 1974.