



Town of Blue River Memorandum

TO: Mayor Decicco & Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Town Manager Michelle Eddy; Code Ambassador Ryan Cyphert

DATE: January 14, 2025

SUBJECT: **Code Enforcement**

Mayor & Board of Trustees

In November 2024, the Town hired a Code Ambassador to begin to address code violation issues throughout Town. Below is a summary of the violations observed based on existing Town Code. Staff would like to request direction on enforcement as well as to whether or not existing Code should be modified.

Code	Violation	# Observed	% of Total	
11-1-40-	No street number	90+	33.33%	*****
8-2-10 (c)	Too many vehicles	25	18.52%	****
8-2-20 (a)(1)	Construction vehicle in drive w/o permit	30+	22.22%	
8-2-20 (a)(2)	Commercial vehicle	20+	14.81%	***
8-2-20 (a)(4)	Enclosed trailer/bus/RV storage	50+	37.04%	**
8-2-20 (a)(5)	Snowmobile storage	5	3.70%	
7-6-120 / 7-6-130	Non bear proof trash	7	5.19%	*

***** There are more missing numbers than I documented on the Violations sheet. Some streets had whole rows of homes without. I would believe that the percentage above is close to correct for the total number of homes in town that either do not have street numbers or whose street numbers are non-compliant, unable to be seen or deciphered.

**** The number of vehicles in drives varies by time of day. Drive-bys during work and business hours nets less violations for code 8-2-10 (c). But on holidays, weekends, evenings the numbers swell

*** There are too many commercial vehicles parked in and around lots to get a clear number of offenses. But the code 8-2-20(a)(2): "Commercial trucks and trailers and other vehicles used in connection with any home occupation (are prohibited) except insofar as the same are used solely for personal purposes" is a bit vague as to prohibited commercial vehicle usage

** There are many enclosed trailers, RV's and buses stored/parked throughout the town. It is difficult to ascertain if someone is expressly living in or using the vehicles for storage purposes, but there are tell-tale signs.

* Non bear-proof containers left outside only showed to be roughly 5% of the found violations but there are more offenses than what was recorded. Again, it can be difficult to ascertain if the canister is indeed bear-proof but the number of cans observed outside that aren't specifically, verifiably bear-proof is greater than the recorded violations