



## **BUILDING DEPARTMENT GUIDELINES FOR DECK CONSTRUCTION**

### TO OBTAIN A PERMIT, YOU WILL NEED:

- Completed Building Permit application
- A Plat of Survey showing the structure location and distance from side and rear property lines -A plan of the details and measurements
- A letter from you homeowners association approving the proposed work

### REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL:

- Rear yard setbacks shall not be less than five (5)feet, side yard setbacks not more than five (5) feet -Will not cover more than thirty percent (30%) of rear yard
- Minimum guard rail height of thirty-six (36) inches
- Spacing between balusters shall be less than four (4) inches
- No structure of any kind will be allowed in an overland relief route
- Post holes shall be forty-two (42) inches deep

### ELECTRICAL, WHEN APPLICABLE:

- No extension cords of any kind will be approved
- A Ground Fault Interrupter receptacle must be in place

### INSPECTIONS REQUIRED:

- Notify JULIE at least 2 business days before digging. Call 811 or visit [www.illinois1call.com](http://www.illinois1call.com)
- Post holes
- Rough framing
- Rough electric (when applicable)
- Final inspection

**\*\*Call 815-467-2151 to schedule inspections. 24 hour notice is required\*\***