

ORDINANCE NO. 25- 15

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF FERDINAND  
MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHAPTER 4.08 ENTITLED  
"TRASH COLLECTION SERVICES AND CHARGES"**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of Ferdinand, Indiana, has determined that the current trash bag sticker fee of \$1.50 which has remained at \$1.50 since November 12, 2013, is not sufficient to meet the expenses of the trash collection services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has determined to increase those fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has determined to adjust its charges for sale of trash bag stickers at wholesale for re-sale to retail end users; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council desires to specify other regulations related to trash collection;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED THAT** The Ferdinand Municipal Code 4.08 is hereby amended to following:

Chapter 4.08 Trash Collection Services and Charges

Sections 4.08.010 Trash Collection Services

4.08.020 Special Services

4.08.030 Trash Sticker Sales - Retail

4.08.050 Trash Sticker Sales – Wholesale

4.08.070 Trash Collection Rules

4.08.090 Violation and Penalties

4.08.010 Trash Collection Services.

The Town shall provide for the curbside or street side collection of residential trash on a weekly or other periodic basis, provided the trash is within a conventional, sealed trash bag weighing no more than forty (40) pounds, with a capacity of no more than forty (40) gallons, and of sufficient strength so as not to tear when handled, and having a

Ferdinand trash sticker firmly attached thereto in a manner so that the trash sticker is clearly visible from the street. Employees on trash duty shall not pick up trash placed in or on vehicles, even if stickered, or trash that does not have a visible sticker or trash that is in a condition or a position other than required by this Chapter. If such uncollected trash remains after the date of trash collection, the premises owner be fined no less than \$5.00 for every day the uncollected trash remains.

4.08.020. Special Services – unchanged

#### 4.08.030 Trash Sticker Sales – Retail.

Trash stickers may be purchased at the Town Office or from authorized wholesalers for the sum of Two Dollars (\$2.00) each. This price increase will be effective on November 1, 2025.

#### 4.08.050 Trash Sticker Sales – Wholesale.

Trash stickers may be purchased by an authorized wholesaler for the sum of One Dollar Ninety-five Cents (\$1.95) each. An authorized wholesaler must comply with each of the following requirements:

- (a) Stickers may not be re-sold for an amount in excess of Two Dollars (\$2.00) each;
- (b) The wholesaler must maintain a publicly accessible retail outlet open for business with evening and weekend hours when stickers are usually available for sale;
- (c) The wholesaler must purchase a minimum of one thousand (1000) stickers at a time.

#### 4.08.070 Trash Collection Rules.

(1) through (4) of the trash collection rules – unchanged

(5) Excessive trash/hoarding of trash prohibited. Accumulated trash in appropriate trash bags are to be placed at curb or street for collection on a regular, weekly basis. The accumulation of excessive amounts of bagged residential trash which is visible from the street or by neighboring properties for more than ten (10) days is prohibited. For the purpose of this Chapter, excessive bagged trash is defined as more than ten (10) bags. This prohibition is necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residential inhabitants, their neighbors, town workers and the general public. The hoarding or accumulation of excessive amounts of bagged trash typically invites insects, disease, unwanted pests, vermin, mice, rats, racoons, coyotes, stray animals in addition to being an unsightly and unsanitary condition.

#### 4.08.090 Violations and Penalties.

The Town at its option may enforce violations of the Chapter by use of the following remedies individually or in conjunction:

- (a) Refuse to collect trash placed for collection;

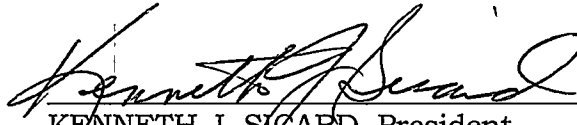
- (b) Issue a fine for violation in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each day a violation exists, and if the violation is of a continuing nature, each day the violation exists shall constitute a separate offense;
- (c) Obtain appropriate injunctive relief from a Court with appropriate jurisdiction.

All the Town's costs and attorney fees in prosecuting any violation shall also be recoverable.


The provisions of the Ordinance, except for the provisions in Section 4.08.090, shall be effective upon final adoption. The provisions of Section 4.08.090 shall be effective upon publication as required by law. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared severable.

The above Ordinance was duly adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Ferdinand, Indiana, on the 16 day of September, 2025.

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWN OF FERDINAND, INDIANA

  
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