

VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, OHIO
ORDINANCE NO. 1144

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO ALLOWING RESIDENTS THE PRIVILEGE OF RAISING CHICKENS WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS.

WHEREAS, Current zoning does not allow for agricultural livestock within the Village limits. This ordinance allows residents to keep laying chicken (hens) with the following provisions:

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO, A MAJORITY OF ITS MEMBERS ELECTED OR APPOINTED THEREFORE CONCURRING AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: Permitting - Residents would be required to apply for an annual permit from the Village of Pleasant Hill. The initial application/permit fee will be \$25.00, renewals will be at a cost of \$25.00. The permit will expire on December 31st, the same year it was issued.

1. All renewed permits must be applied for by January 15th, of the new year.
2. When applying for a permit you will need to complete the following:
 1. Obtain an application via the Village Office or Village Website (pleasanthillohio.com).
 2. Complete the application, submit along with payment (cash, check, or credit card), to the Village Office, 200 Walnut Street, Pleasant Hill, Ohio 45359.
 3. Approved permits will be sent via mail/email to the applicant.
 4. If permitting is not approved, chickens must be removed from property within 15 days.
 5. Permits may be withdrawn by the Village, at any time, if owners do not abide by this ordinance.

SECTION TWO: A permit shall allow a maximum of five chickens with NO Roosters.

SECTION THREE: Property - The property must be zoned Family Residential (R-1), General Business (B-1) and Industrial (B-2) with a minimum lot size of six thousand (6,000) square feet.

SECTION FOUR: Coop - The chickens must be kept in the coop at all times. free-range will not be permitted.

1. A structure site plan must be approved by the Village Planning Commission.
2. Coops or cages housing chickens shall be kept at least twenty-five (25) feet from the door or window of any dwelling or occupied structure other than the owner's dwelling.

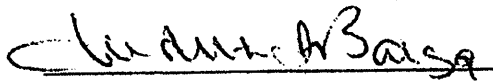
SECTION FIVE: Coop Location - The coop must be located twenty-five (25) feet from any residential/general business/industrial structure and 10 feet from the property line. The 10 feet from the property line does not apply to non-residential adjoining lots. This set-back includes neighbor's residential structures. Additional setback requirements per zoning regulations are in force.

SECTION SIX: Raising and Feeding - All grain and feed must be kept in a predator-proof/rodent-proof container. The owner or occupant of the lot where chickens are located shall ensure that their birds are cared for properly when ill, and disposed of in a manner that does not endanger the public health and safety when their hens or chicks die.

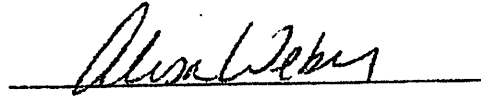
SECTION SEVEN: Cleaning/Waste - Regardless of the type of chicken coop you have or the number of chickens, a good cleaning schedule is recommended followed by a thorough cleaning once a month. Waste material must be disposed of in a manner that will not cause an odor or attract flies or vermin. All areas where chickens are kept shall be maintained to be neat and clean and free of undue accumulation of waste such as to prevent odors detectable on adjacent property.

SECTION EIGHT: The Zoning Enforcement Officer may inspect the conditions where the chickens are kept at any time. Violation of any portion of this Ordinance is enforceable by a misdemeanor and the permit shall be revoked for a period of one year.

Passed this 8 day of May 2023.

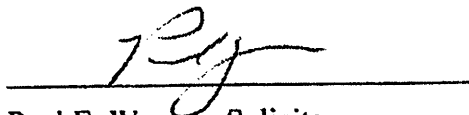


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Approved as to form:



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