CHAPTER 50: GARBAGE AND REFUSE

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§ 50.01 RATES AND CHARGES ESTABLISHED.

(A) Rates and charges are hereby established for the collection of garbage and refuse under the municipal collection system in the amounts set forth in the sections which follow.

(B) It is hereby declared that all garbage and refuse with the City of Waterville shall be collected, transported and disposed of in accordance with this chapter as hereinafter provided.

(1982 Code, § 408.01)

§ 50.02 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

COMPULSORY DISPOSAL LIST. The list of persons within the City of Waterville, who, by the provisions of this chapter, are required to pay a monthly unit service fee for the collection, transportation and disposal of refuse.

CONTRACTOR. The City of Waterville or any person, firm or corporation with whom the city shall contract for the collections, transportation and disposal of refuse.

FAMILY RESIDENTIAL UNIT. Any residential unit in which two or more persons reside.
PERSON. Includes any natural person, corporation, firm or association.

PLACE or PREMISES. Any dwelling house; dwelling unit; apartment house or mobile dwelling unit; trailer or mobile home; retail store restaurant; rooming house; hotel; motel; office building; department store; manufacturing; processing or assembling shop or plant warehouse; and every other PLACE or PREMISES where any person resides or any business is carried on or conducted within the City of Waterville.

REFUSE.

(1) Waste, garbage and rubbish of all kinds that accumulate in the ordinary operation of a household or commercial or industrial establishment, including but without limitation thereto, construction materials, demolition materials, grass trimmings, cold ashes, tin cans and tree branches, in easily handled bundles, not longer than six feet in length.

(2) This REFUSE shall be that which originates from each particular residential unit only.

SENIOR RESIDENTIAL UNIT. Any residential unit in which the head of the household is 62 years of age or older and a total of not more than three persons reside there.

SITE. An approved sanitary land fill waste disposal site and system, according to standards established by the State of Minnesota, to which refuse shall be transported and disposed of.

UNIT SERVICE FEE. The monthly charge made to owners of residential property.

(1982 Code, § 408.02) (Ord. 408.02A, passed 6-5-2001)

§ 50.03 LICENSING AND LICENSE FEES.

(A) No person shall engage in the business of collection, transportation or disposing of refuse as shall accumulate within the City of Waterville without first consulting the City of Waterville governing body.

(B) The City of Waterville will be the only one allowed to contract for the collection, transportation and disposal of refuse within the City of Waterville.

(1982 Code, § 408.03) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 50.04 COMPULSORY RESIDENTIAL LIST, UNIT SERVICE FEE AND BILLING.

(A) There is hereby established within the City of Waterville a compulsory residential list which shall include every residential dwelling wherein there would normally accumulate refuse, and defined herein, in the operation of a household.
(B) All persons whose names are included in the compulsory residential list shall be charged a monthly unit service fee for the collection transportation and disposal of refuse in accordance with the fees established from time to time by the Waterville City Council.

(C) (1) The unit service fee is based on the established contract.

(2) The unit service fee shall be established annually and shall not be adjusted or altered during the year.

(D) (1) Fees as provided herein for collection, transportation and disposal services shall be billed and collected by the City of Waterville as a part of the city water billings.

(2) Service charges shall be charged to the owner of the premises served and shall be payable on or before the last day of every calendar month by mail or on a specified day and hour at the Administrator-Clerk's office.

(E) (1) In case the service charge is not paid by the specified due date, the City Administrator-Clerk shall add 10% to amount of the service charge bill and collect the same.

(2) As soon as possible after September 1 of each year the City of Waterville Administrator-Clerk shall prepare an assessment roll for garbage and refuse collection which shall contain a list showing each lot and parcel of ground with respect to which service charges levied under this chapter remain unpaid.

(3) The Council shall thereupon levy an assessment for the unpaid garbage and refuse collection charges.

(4) The City Administrator-Clerk shall certify the assessment to the county auditor for collection in accordance with the law.

(1982 Code, § 408.04)

§ 50.05 RESIDENTIAL WASTE STORAGE.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to store, transport, or dispose of any refuse in the City of Waterville except in compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

(B) All refuse, such as garbage or other wet or damp matter shall be wrapped and stored within a water and air-tight standard type garbage can having a lid.

(C) (1) Owner and occupants of residential property shall keep their premises free from undue accumulation of snow so as not to interfere with collection.
(2) Wherever an undue accumulation exists, collection will not be made.
(1982 Code, § 408.05) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 50.06 RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION.

(A) Collection of refuse from all residential units shall be made weekly throughout the year.

(B) (1) The City Council of the City of Waterville shall establish a weekly collection schedule which shall specify the day on which collection shall be made from the particular residential unit.

(2) Owner and occupants of residential units shall familiarize themselves with the schedule and keep refuse available for collection as herein provided on the day as is designated.

(3) The City Council may wherever necessary and essential for proper collection, and to maintain the health and safety of the community, alter the schedule.
(1982 Code, § 408.06)

§ 50.07 NON-RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION.

(A) Because of the variation, both as to amount and type of refuse from commercial or industrial establishments, the rate for the collection shall be negotiated on an individual basis by the contractor and the establishment.

(B) Collection from any commercial or industrial establishment shall not be compulsory and any establishment may, at its election, haul its refuse to the site and pay the land fill rates as established by the contractor.

(C) However, where the establishment has contracted for the collection and disposal of its refuse, the establishment may haul its own refuse to the site and dispose of the same in accordance with regulations established and instruction of the attendant on duty.
(1982 Code, § 408.07)

§ 50.08 CONTRACTOR, SITE AND DISPOSAL.

(A) (1) The city shall enter into a contract with a reputable contractor, whose sanitary land fill site meets the specifications of the State of Minnesota.

(2) This site, as the same is defined herein, shall be for the disposal of all refuse as shall accumulate within the City of Waterville.
(B) (1) The contractor shall establish regular hours at which time the site will be open and an attendant on duty to take care of refuse which might be brought to the site by persons on the compulsory disposal list.

(2) The disposal of ordinary household rubbish by persons on the compulsory disposal list may be made without charge but shall be in strict compliance with regulations established for a sanitary land fill operation and instructions of the attendant on duty.

(C) Burning of any waste or other matter at the site, other than by the contractor, shall not be permitted.

(1982 Code, § 408.08) Penalty, see § 10.99