

# **CHAPTER 17**

## **WASTE MANAGEMENT**

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## SECTION 17.010 DEFINITIONS

**Subd. 1. Waste or Wastes.** Waste or wastes shall mean refuse, garbage and rubbish of all kinds that accumulate in the ordinary operation of a household, or commercial or industrial establishments, including but without limitation thereto, grass trimming, ashes, tin cans or anything that can be contained in a 30 gallon maximum plastic bag.

**Subd. 2. Household Unit.** A living quarters containing a kitchen where one or more persons reside or could reside.

**Subd. 3. Site.** Site shall mean an approved sanitary landfill waste disposal site approved by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, to which wastes shall be transported and disposed of.

**Subd. 4. Compulsory Disposal List.** The compulsory disposal list shall mean the list of persons within the City of Eagle Lake who by the provisions of this Ordinance are required to pay a monthly unit service fee for the collection, transportation and disposal of waste.

**Subd. 5. Unit Service Fee.** Unit service fee shall mean that monthly charge made to owners and occupants of residential property.

**Subd. 6. Contractor.** Contractor shall mean the City of Eagle Lake or any person, firm or corporation with whom the City shall contract for the collection, transportation and disposal of waste.

**Subd. 7. Multiple Residences.** Multiple residences shall mean any single structure containing two (2) or more household units.

## SECTION 17.020 BURNING

It shall be unlawful for any person to set or maintain within the City of Eagle Lake any fire for the purpose of burning waste or other matter with the exception of recreational fires that are no larger than 3' high by 3' wide or fire drills conducted by the City of Eagle Lake Fire Department. Such fires must be attended.

## SECTION 17.030 COMPUSLORY RESIDENTIAL LIST, UNIT SERVICE FEE AND BILLING

**Subd. 1.** There is hereby established a compulsory residential list within the City of Eagle Lake which shall include every residential dwelling wherein there would normally accumulate wastes, as defined herein, in the operation of a household or business.

**Subd. 2.** All persons whose names are included in the compulsory residential list shall be charged a monthly unit fee for the collection, transportation, and disposal of waste. The unit service fee is based on a 64-gallon container provided by the waste collection

company. Any person desiring additional service shall purchase a sticker for an additional fee. Fees as provided herein for collection shall be billed and collected by the City as a part of the municipal utility billing. The unit service fee shall be established annually and may be adjusted during the year upon Council approval.

**Subd. 3.** All persons whose names are included in the compulsory residential list will also be charged a monthly recycling fee for the collection and transportation of the recyclables. Recyclables shall be collected every week of the year. Fees as provided herein for collection shall be billed and collected by the City as part of the municipal utility billing. The unit service fee shall be established annually and may be adjusted during the year upon Council approval.

### **SECTION 17.040 COLLECTION POINT AND RESTRICTIONS**

**Subd. 1.** All refuse shall be placed in a 64-gallon container provided by the waste collection company. In case of additional refuse, residents can purchase sticker(s) for an additional fee. The fee for the stickers will be set by a fee schedule by the Council. The minimum thickness for plastic bags will be 1.5 mills. They shall be water-tight and waterproof, and the top shall be secured with a suitable tie.

**Subd. 2.** Such 64-gallon container shall be placed adjacent to a traveled street or alley and in particular, no more than three feet from other items (ex. Cars, mailboxes, trees, other containers, etc.) from the curb or edge of road. The container will need to be placed abutting the street side of the curb.

**Subd. 3.** The City Council of Eagle Lake shall establish a weekly collection schedule, which shall specify the day on collections shall be made. Owners and occupants of residential units shall familiarize themselves with such schedule and keep waste available for collection.

**Subd. 4.** Collection of waste and refuse shall be made of commercial and institutional establishments at such time at such places as are agreed upon between the collector and establishment, subject to approval by the City. The rate for said collection shall be negotiated on an individual basis by the contractor and the establishment.

### **SECTION 17.050 PENALTY**

Any person violating any provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction therefore shall be punished by a fine and/or imprisonment equal to, but not to exceed the State limitations for a misdemeanor.

### **SECTION 17.060 RATES**

The refuse and recycling rates will be set periodically by resolution of the City Council as deemed necessary. Notice of proposed rates shall be published in the official newspaper at least 10 days before the resolution is considered by Council.

Late fees for utility bills shall be the greater of \$5.00 or 5% of the outstanding utility bill balance. (October 6, 2014)