

Wayne Window

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Wayne Approves Vehicle Stickers

In response to declining revenues, the Village has taken several steps to reduce expenditures, including freezing salaries, reducing hours, and delaying road repairs. We have also been diligent with the help of our Village Engineer and our elected State representatives in applying for State and Federal grants to assist with major road projects and have successfully received three such grants. A State grant in the amount of \$635,000 was received in 2010 with \$485,000 used for the Smith Road resurfacing project with the remaining \$150,000 allocated for Army Trail resurfacing from the UP tracks to the Kane County line in 2011. We have also been awarded two Federal grants totaling \$629,600 for the resurfacing of Army Trail from the CN tracks to the UP tracks and for the resurfacing of Powis Road. These two grants represent substantial savings to our residents over the next ten years, must be used prior to 2016 and require the Village to contribute \$269,800 in matching funds. Based on our long range financial forecast, which incorporates the cost reductions we have implemented and the required matching funds for the road grants, the need for additional revenues still exists.

Among suggestions received from residents for increasing revenues at Town Hall meetings held during the past year, a Vehicle Sticker fee was the most commonly mentioned recommendation as many residents have experienced this fee in other municipalities prior to moving to Wayne. After considering several fee structures, the Board of Trustees, at their April 19, 2011 meeting, approved an ordinance, which, for the first time in the Village's history, requires all residents to purchase vehicle stickers. Although it is difficult to project any new revenue source, we anticipate raising \$50,000 during the initial year with this amount increasing as residents become more familiar with the requirements and leveling off in the range of \$70,000 annually. Even with these revenues, our long range financial forecast still projects budget deficits that the Board continues to address.

A full copy of the Ordinance will be posted on the Village of Wayne web site. In summary, all motor vehicles registered or principally garaged within the Village are required to purchase and display a vehicle sticker. These stickers will be valid for one year, the year will match the Village's fiscal year which starts on May 1st and ends on the following April 30th. There is a provision for an early purchase discount that will typically end on April 30th of each year, but has been extended to July 31st in 2011 due the timing of initiating this new program. A listing of the four classes of vehicles, standard fees and the discounted fees is detailed on the Vehicle Sticker Application that is enclosed in this newsletter. The fee that will pertain to most of our residents will be for "Passenger cars and vehicles 8,000 lbs. and under ("B" License Plate)" which will be \$50.00 if purchased prior to July 31st this year. The Ordinance also addresses proration of fees for new residents or additional vehicles purchased during the year, transfer of stickers, antique vehicles and a discount for very low income residents.

The enclosed application can be used for mail-in applications - please remember to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope so stickers can be mailed to you. We are also updating our website (www.villageofwayne.org) to include an application and a link for payment processing - this should be accomplished by mid-May. We would hope most residents take advantage of one of these two ways of obtaining stickers. Stickers will also be sold at Village Hall during normal hours.

The Board of Trustees did not take the passage of the Ordinance lightly; in fact, the Board did not seriously consider a vehicle sticker ordinance until it was suggested by residents. We wish the ordinance was not necessary, but increased costs imposed on the Village by the State, declining non-real estate tax revenues, delayed and declining revenues from the State, and our residents' desire that Village services remain at or near their current levels, made it so.

VILLAGE OF WAYNE
DUPAGE AND KANE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 11-04

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6 OF THE
WAYNE VILLAGE CODE IN CONNECTION
WITH MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES

ADOPTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF WAYNE
DUPAGE AND KANE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

THIS 19 DAY OF April, 2011

PUBLISHED by authority of the
President and Board of Trustees
of the Village of Wayne, DuPage
and Kane Counties, Illinois
this 20 day of Apr, 2011.

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WHEREAS, the Village of Wayne is authorized to license motor vehicles and to impose fees therefor; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees deem it necessary to require the licensing of motor vehicles and to establish fees for such licenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Wayne, DuPage and Kane Counties, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. That Title 6 of the Wayne Village Code is amended by adding a new Chapter 4 thereto as follows:

**CHAPTER 4
Motor Vehicle Licenses**

Sections:

- 6-4-1** **Definitions.**
- 6-4-2** **License Required.**
- 6-4-3** **Application for license.**
- 6-4-4** **Schedule of fees.**
- 6-4-5** **License term - Prorating fees.**
- 6-4-6** **Disposition of license fees.**
- 6-4-7** **Stickers.**
- 6-4-8** **Removal of stickers - Transfer of vehicles.**
- 6-4-9** **Penalty.**

- 6-4-1** **Definitions.**

The terms passenger car, motorized pedacycle, motorcycle, truck, recreational vehicle, motor vehicle and antique vehicle shall have the same definitions as set forth in Section 1-101 of the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/1-101), as amended from time to time.

6-4-2 License required.

It shall be unlawful for any person residing in the Village, or any firm, entity or corporation having its principal place of business in the Village, or which registers its motor vehicles to an address within the Village or principally garages a vehicle within the Village, although said vehicle may be registered in another municipality or state, to use or to cause or permit any of its agents or employees to use any motor vehicle in transportation upon the streets of the Village unless said motor vehicle is licensed, as provided in this Chapter.

6-4-3 Application for license.

Any person desiring a license for any motor vehicle under this Chapter shall file an application with the Village Clerk upon a form provided by her, setting forth the name and the address of the applicant, a description of the motor vehicle for which the license is desired, its vehicle identification number, the place where such motor vehicle is to be kept when not in use and also the number and kinds of other motor vehicles kept by such applicant at such place and such other information as may be reasonably prescribed the Village Clerk.

6-4-4 Schedule of Fees.

The motor vehicle license fees to be paid annually, as provided in this Chapter, to the Village Treasurer are as follows:

- A. Motorized pedacycle and motorcycle: thirty dollars (\$30.00); twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) if obtained before May 1st. (Class 1)
- B. Passenger cars and vehicles having a gross weight of not more than eight thousand pounds (8,000 lbs.), including the weight of the vehicle and maximum load ("B" License Plate): sixty dollars (\$60.00); fifty dollars (\$50.00), if obtained before May 1st. (Class 2)
- C. Vehicles having a gross weight of more than eight thousand pounds (8,000 lbs.), including the weight of the vehicle and maximum load and all other motor vehicles, including, but not limited to, trucks, recreational vehicles and buses: one hundred twenty dollars (\$120.00); one hundred dollars (\$100.00) if obtained before May 1st. (Class 3)
- D. Antique vehicles: fifty dollars (\$50.00) for a permanent license to be affixed to the windshield, provided the vehicle is first licensed as an antique by the Illinois Secretary of State and satisfactory evidence thereof is submitted to the Village Clerk. This is a one time fee. (Class 4)
- E. An individual of a household having a very low income for DuPage or Kane Counties, as defined and established from time-to-time by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, upon

submitting evidence satisfactory to the Village Treasurer to substantiate such income level, may purchase motor vehicle licenses each year for motor vehicle(s) owned by him at a discount of fifty percent (50%) of the fee applicable to such motor vehicle(s) as set forth in this Section. Only two such licenses shall be issued per household, per year.

- F. Fees for motor vehicles: (1) owned by persons establishing residency within the Village after May 1st of the calendar year; or (2) purchased after May 1st but before November 1st of a calendar year, shall be charged the applicable fee as set forth in this Section, as if the same was paid prior to May 1st of the calendar year.

6-4-5 License term - Prorating fees.

- A. Motor vehicle license fees shall be due and payable annually on or before May 1st of each year. Any additional vehicle acquired on or after November 1st of any year shall be licensed at one-half the annual fee. Persons owning or possessing any vehicle shall obtain a license and pay the fee therefor within ten (10) days after acquiring or possessing the same.
- B. All owners and operators of motor vehicles who were required to have and obtain a motor vehicle license for the year previous to the fiscal year for which a license is applied for, and who have not paid the fee nor obtained the license for the previous fiscal year, shall not be entitled to a license for the current fiscal year until the fees for the previous fiscal year have been fully paid.
- C. All licenses expire on April 30th following the date of issuance.

6-4-6 Disposition of license fees.

All revenues derived from license fees under this Chapter shall be kept as a separate fund and used only for paying costs or expenses of street improvements or repairs and for other purposes provided by law.

6-4-7 Stickers; Display of same

- A. Upon the issuance of a license under this Chapter, the Village Clerk shall deliver to the applicant a sticker bearing a number and the name of the class to which the vehicle in question belongs and the year for which the license is issued. The sticker shall be fastened upon the lower right inside corner of the windshield of the licensed vehicle, provided however that the sticker for a motorized pedacycle or motorcycle having no windshield shall be carried on the person of the operator thereof. It shall be necessary for owners of vehicles to have the sticker bearing the number provided for in this Section attached to such vehicles, or with respect to motorized

pedacycles and motorcycles having no windshield, carried on the person of the operator, when such vehicles are principally garaged or registered within the Village and the vehicle is used upon the streets of the Village.

The term "principally garaged" is defined as when a firm, corporation, any other entity which is located, or individual who resides, within the Village, parks the vehicle within the Village overnight or where the firm, corporation or other entity or individual registers the vehicle with the Secretary of State to an address within the Village and uses the same on the streets of the Village.

- B. If a motor vehicle license sticker is lost or destroyed, a duplicate thereof shall be issued by the Village Clerk to the person to whom such motor vehicle license was originally issued. Application for such sticker duplicate shall be made in writing by the person to whom the original was issued and shall be accompanied by the affidavit of the applicant stating his name, age, address, place and conditions under which such motor vehicle license sticker was lost or destroyed, the amount of the license fee paid therefor by him, date of payment, and if destroyed, the manner of its destruction. The applicant shall pay to the Village Clerk a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for the issuance of the duplicate license sticker. Such sticker so issued as a duplicate shall be marked as such.

6-4-8 Removal/Transfer of stickers - Transfer of vehicles.

It shall be unlawful for any person to remove any sticker from any motor vehicle and transfer the same to any other motor vehicle, or to sell or transfer any motor vehicle without first removing and destroying the license sticker.

6-4-9 Penalties.

- A. Violations of Sections 6-4-2 and 6-4-3 of this Chapter. The violation claim described in a citation so to be issued pursuant to the terms of such Sections may be settled, compromised and paid in the respective amounts set forth in the following schedule:

Violations occurring after April 30 th but before June 1 st	\$25.00
Violations occurring after May 31 st	\$50.00

- B. Violations of all other Sections of Chapter 6. The violation claim described in a citation so to be issued pursuant to the terms of such Sections may be settled, compromised and paid in the respective amounts set forth in the following schedule:

1. In the event that payment is made within seven (7) days from the date of the citation:	\$50.00
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2. In the event that payment has not been made within seven (7) days from the date of the citation: \$ 75.00

C. In the event that payment is not made within fourteen (14) days of the date of the citation for violations specified in Sections 6-4-9A or 6-4-9B, the amount payable hereunder will be increased to the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00); and the matter turned over to a collection agent, or a complaint may be filed in a court of competent jurisdiction and served. Payment of any fine and costs shall be in such amounts as may be established by a court of competent jurisdiction within the limits prescribed by Section 1-4-1 or other applicable provisions of the Wayne Village Code.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19 DAY OF April, 2011.

AYES: Trustees Anastasio, Connolly, Hall, Levine, Jiggs (5)

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Trustee Reed (1)

Eileen Phipps
Eileen Phipps, Village President

ATTEST:

Patricia Engstrom
Patricia Engstrom
Village Clerk

(SEAL)

BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

SUBJECT: Ordinance - Amending Title 6 of the Village Code in Connection with Motor Vehicle Licenses

ORIGINATOR: Village Attorney

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT MATTER:

Pursuant to Board direction, an Ordinance requiring vehicle licenses (vehicle stickers) has been prepared. Motor vehicles registered to an address in or principally garaged in the Village would be subject to the Ordinance.

The Ordinance would create four categories of vehicles and establish corresponding fees. The vehicle classes and annual fees would be as follows:

Class 1 - motorcycles/motorized pedacycles	\$25.00
Class 2 - passenger cars and vehicles 8,000 lbs. and under	\$50.00
Class 3 - vehicles over 8,000 lbs. and all other motor vehicles	\$100.00
Class 4 - antique vehicles (one time fee)	\$50.00

For Classes 1 through 3, increased fees would apply if the vehicle sticker was not purchased by May 1st; however, such deadline may be extended for the initial year. Reduced fees would be available to persons having a very low income as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

An Ordinance as outlined is attached for Board consideration.