

MANDATORY RECYCLING ORDINANCE 1-1989

WHEREAS, conservation of recyclable materials is now a necessity in order to conserve our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the cost of solid waste disposal is ever increasing and convenient landfill facilities and landfill space are rapidly decreasing; and

WHEREAS, the reduction of the amount of solid waste to be disposed of will reduce the cost of landfill disposal fees and extend the life of the landfill, and at the same time the separation, collection, and sale of recyclable materials will reduce the financial burden of solid waste disposal;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Town of Brothertown, County of Calumet, State of Wisconsin, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by authority of the same that mandatory recycling will be in effect as follows:

SECTION I

Recycling will be mandated and either periodic collection will be provided or a site designated for deposit for the following:

NEWSPAPER: Bundle and tie.

GLASS: Clear, amber, and green. Sort by color and rinse. Labels permitted. Remove all caps and rings. (No contaminants such as ceramics, window glass, or light bulbs).

ALUMINUM: Separate from other household cans. Flatten. Labels permitted. All products made of aluminum including cans, screen frames and lawn chairs.

STEEL/TIN CANS: Any type household cans. Rinse and flatten. Labels permitted.

PLASTIC MILK BOTTLES: Remove caps and rinse. Labels permitted.

CARDBOARD: Flattened and bundled.

YARD WASTE: Shall be recycled on site (premises where produced).

LUMBER-WOOD-BRANCHES-TREES: Shall be recycled or burned on site (premises where originated)

SECTION II

When market conditions are such that it is not economically feasible to recycle any of the above materials, the town board may recommend the temporary suspension of this ordinance. No such suspension shall be effective unless declared by the town board and duly published and posted.

SECTION III

Material for deposit at a landfill shall be placed in clear plastic bags, when such bags are generally available for purchase by the public, or in containers which open and are emptied.

SECTION IV

That, in the event a person temporarily rents a dumpster from a private hauler and/or a private contractor hauler, then such person, and not the town, shall be liable for the costs of such rental and the costs of disposal of the dumpster contents.

SECTION V

5.1 A private hauler and/or private contractor hauler shall mean a collection or transportation service which collects or delivers solid waste generated by a third party.

5.2 On and after the effective date of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful and a violation of this ordinance for any private hauler and/or private contractor hauler of solid waste, whether licensed by the Department of Natural Resources or not, to collect or deliver or deposit any solid waste which has not been recycled according to this ordinance.

SECTION VI

Any person, firm or corporation that violates or neglects to comply with any provisions of this ordinance or any regulation promulgated pursuant thereto shall be punishable by a fine of not less than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in addition of the costs of prosecution. Each offense will be considered a separate violation.

SECTION VII

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed as to such inconsistency only.

SECTION VIII

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Dated this 7th day of November, 1989.

TOWN OF BROTHERTOWN

Jeanold Puetz  
Jeanold Puetz, Chairman

Attest: Darlene Steffes  
Darlene Steffes, Clerk

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