ORDINANCE NO. 2025-74 COMPOST FACILITY REGULATIONS AN ORDINANCE CREATING ORDINANCE NO. 2025-74 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWN OF OAKLAND

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Oakland, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

Ordinance 2025-74 of the Town of Oakland Municipal Code is hereby created to read as follows:

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

Ordinance 2025-74 is intended to promote the public health, safety, and welfare of the Town of Oakland, Jefferson County, Wisconsin by providing a Compost Facility for its residents. The Town provides a non-essential service to its residents by allowing drop-off of some yard waste and providing materials created by the Town's processing of yard waste such as finished compost material and wood chips, and salt/sand.

SECTION 2: AUTHORITY

This ordinance is enacted in accordance with the police powers granted to the Town pursuant to Chapter 60 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and the general authority to exercise village powers granted pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 60.22.

SECTION 3: REGULATION OF TOWN'S COMPOST FACILITY

The Town's Compost Facility is regulated as follows:

3.1 Compost Facility Use

The Compost Facility is for the exclusive use of non-commercial Town of Oakland residents. The use of the Compost Facility for drop-off or pickup of materials by businesses, contractors and individuals who are not Town of Oakland residents is strictly prohibited.

3.2 Access to Compost Facility

Resident users of the Compost Facility must access the Compost Facility at the signed front entrance of the Compost Facility. Access to the Compost Facility at any location other than the signed front entrance, as well as access from the adjacent property is prohibited.

3.3 Acceptable Materials for Drop off

The following materials are acceptable for drop-off at the Compost Facility:

- a. Leaves
- b. Grass clipping
- c. Flowers and grass plants
- d. Fruits and vegetables
- e. Lake Weeds
- f. Woody Plants
- g. Twigs
- h. Tree Trunks/Branches less than 6-inch diameter

3.4 Unacceptable Materials for Drop-Off

The following materials are not acceptable for drop-off at the Compost Facility:

- a. Garbage
- b. Refuse
- c. Plastic bagged materials
- d. Ashes
- e. Demolition Material
- f. Construction Material
- g. Landscape Material
- h. Soil
- i. Rocks
- j. Gravel
- k. Concrete
- l. Metal
- m. Tree Trunks/Branches larger than 6-inch diameter

- n. Stumps
- o. Any other material indicated by signage at the Compost Facility

3.5 Materials Available for Pickup

The following materials are solely available for pickup and personal use by Town of Oakland Residents:

- a. Chips/Mulch
- b. Compost
- c. Salt/Sand Mix located near the salt shed during winter months

3.6 Materials for use of the Public Works Department

Gravel, asphalt, and other materials stored on the North side of the Compost Facility are solely available for use by the Town's Department of Public Works, and pickup or removal of these materials is strictly prohibited.

3.7 Hours of Operation

The Days and Hours of Operation of the Compost Facility shall be determined by the Town Board and shall be posted at the Compost Facility entrance. Use of the Compost Facility outside these posted days and hours is prohibited.

3.8 Surveillance

The Compost Facility is under video surveillance for everyone's protection and security. The Town may review the surveillance videos to identify anyone violating this ordinance.

SECTION 4: ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

The Town of Oakland Police Department is authorized to enforce the provisions of this ordinance. Any person, business or contractor violating any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to a forfeiture, which forfeiture shall be determined as follows:

- a. Residents of the Town of Oakland depositing unacceptable materials or removing materials for Town's use only shall be subject to a forfeiture of \$500 for the first occurrence and \$1,000 for each subsequent occurrence.
- b. Businesses/Contractors depositing acceptable or unacceptable materials, or removing materials for Town's use only shall be subject to a forfeiture of \$500 for the first occurrence and \$1,000 for each subsequent occurrence.
- c. Non-Residents of the Town of Oakland depositing acceptable materials shall be subject to a forfeiture of \$250 for the first occurrence and \$500 for each subsequent occurrence.

- d. Non-Residents of the Town of Oakland depositing unacceptable materials or removing materials for Town's use only shall be subject to a forfeiture of \$500 for the first occurrence and \$1,000 for each subsequent occurrence.
- e. In addition to any forfeiture imposed for a violation of any provision of this ordinance, the cost or expense incurred by the Town of Oakland to remedy the violation, including but not limited to costs to properly dispose of unacceptable materials and all professional fees or expenses, shall be reimbursed to the Town and shall be assessed as an additional forfeiture upon entry of any judgment of forfeiture for violation of the terms of this ordinance.

SECTION 5: SEVERABILITY

The terms and provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any provision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unenforceable, or if the application of any provision to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid or unenforceable, such holding shall not affect the other provisions or application of this Ordinance, which shall be given lawful effect without the invalid or unenforceable provisions or application. All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with or contravening the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6: EFFECTIVE DATE

Aye:

Vote

Published:

| This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and posting as provided by law. | |
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| Adopted this 16 day of December | 2025. |
| Laura Payne, Town Chairperson | |
| ATTEST: | |
| Wendy Tanguay, Clerk/Treasurer | |