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ORDINANCE NO. 865

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, STATE OF WYOMING, ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ALLOWANCE OF CHICKENS WITHIN THE WORLAND CITY LIMITS, BY REPEALING A PORTION OF SECTION 4-7-2 AND BY SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 4 OF THE WORLAND CITY CODE. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING:

SECTION 1: A portion of Section 4-7-2(A)(2) of the Worland City Code shall be repealed by eliminating the word "chickens" from the introductory sentence and by adding the following subsection 4-7-2(A)(6):

6. Chickens which are not in compliance specifically with Section 4-30 or in general with Chapter 4 of the Worland City Code.

SECTION 2: Chapter 4 of the Worland City Code shall be amended by adding the following Article V. to the list of allowed animals and fowls, to-wit:

Article V. Chickens

Sec. 4-30. Chicken Permits and Requirements.

A. Chickens Allowed With Restrictions: Chickens shall be allowed within the City of Worland subject to the following rules and regulations.

Permits: The City may issue a written permit allowing the possession of chickens within the City corporate limits subject to the provisions contained herein. Any person (18 years of age or older) who desires to possess chickens must submit a written application for approval by the City. Permit fees are \$25.00 per permit per residence each year and shall be for a period of one (1) year. The fee shall be due on January 1 of each year and remain valid through December 31 of the year of the permit. New as opposed to renewed permits may be obtained at any time during the year and are in effect only until December 31 of such year. Permit holders are subject to inspections.

Regulations: All persons who are issued a permit for chickens must comply with the following restrictions:

1. The maximum chickens per residence shall be eight (8) chickens, with no roosters, with a predator proof minimum roost space screened from ordinary public view, as follows:
 - a. Scratch Pen = Adequate Size - Fenced
 - b. Coup Space = 4 Square Feet Per Chicken
4' x 4' Min. - 4' x 32' Max.
 - c. Coup Height = 4' Minimum - 6' Maximum
 - d. Covered Ceiling
 - e. Appropriately heated during winter months
2. Any person claiming a chicken to be a service-animal must provide proof from a certified

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professional.

3. No person shall slaughter any chickens in public view and must be discretely done. All chickens and waste material shall be disposed of in accordance with Section 11-6 of the Worland City Code.
4. All chickens shall remain disease free.
5. Chickens are not allowed in the following designated Zones: General Business, Central Business, Light Industrial, Heavy Industrial and Airport.
6. Chickens shall not be kept in any location on the property other than in the backyard. "Backyard" means that portion of a lot enclosed by the property's rear lot line and the side lot lines to the point where the side lot lines intersect with the imaginary line established by the rear structure.
7. No covered or fenced enclosure shall be located closer than five (5) feet to any property line of an adjacent property or 25 feet to any structure on an adjacent property used as a human dwelling. The distance of 25 feet shall be measured in a straight line from the nearest point of any enclosure or structure in which chickens are kept to the nearest point of any adjacent structure used as a human dwelling.
8. Adjacent property means all parcels or property that the applicant's property comes into contact with at one or more points.
9. All feed and other items associated with the keeping of chickens shall be protected in a weather-resistant container designed to prevent access by insects and animals.
10. Enclosures shall be located so that adequate drainage is obtained, normal drying occurs and standing water is not present. Enclosures must be kept in a clean/sanitary condition.
11. Waste must be collected and stored in fly-tight containers and hauled away at intervals not to exceed seven (7) days. Coups must have traps or floors to keep chicken waste off of the ground and must be cleaned once per week.
12. Within thirty (30) days of submission of the completed chicken permit form, the appointed City Official shall issue a written determination approving or disapproving the request. A conditional approval may be issued subject to reasonable conditions agreed upon by the applicant.
13. Any approval allowing chickens shall be site specific at the address on the chicken permit request form.
14. If the above requirements are not complied with, the City may revoke any permit granted

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under this section. Permit holders shall submit it for examination upon demand by any appointed City Official.

15. Any appeal from the determination of the appointed City Official, shall be made in writing to the City Council within ten (10) days after issuance of the written determination and must include the reason for the appeal and any information appellant wishes the City Council to consider. The appointed City Official shall provide written response to the City Council and appellant within ten (10) days after receipt of the notice of appeal. The City Council may set the appeal to be heard at the next regular scheduled meeting of the Council, or the Council may decide the appeal on the basis of the written information provided. The City shall issue a written determination within forty-five (45) days of receipt of the notice of appeal. The written determination of the City Council shall be the final decision.
16. Permits may be immediately revoked by the appointed City Official, for fraud, misrepresentation or a false statement contained in the application for the permit, or for any violation of this Code or conditions contained in the permit. Notice of revocation shall be given in writing, setting forth specifically the grounds for the revocation. Violations of the permit may give rise to a Citation for Public Nuisance pursuant to Section 4-7-2(A)(6).
17. The appointed City Official is authorized to visit the premises of any permittee, after written notice of a scheduled inspection is given, to ascertain and secure compliance with the provisions of this Code and permit.

SECTION 2: If any portion of this ordinance is held or found to be invalid, the remainder of the ordinance shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the City of Worland in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect on **OCTOBER 14, 2022**, after having been published in the Northern Wyoming Daily News.

PASSED ON FIRST READING - SEPTEMBER 6, 2022.

PASSED ON SECOND READING - SEPTEMBER 20, 2022.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON - OCTOBER 4, 2022.

CITY OF WORLAND, WYOMING
A Municipal Corporation
JAMES R. GILL - Mayor

ATTEST:
TRACY A. GLANZ - City Clerk

October 13, 2022