

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Townsend

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Introduced by:
Mayor Lobdell
Introduction on:
January 10, 2024



ORDINANCE 2024-003

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 12 OF THE TOWNSEND MUNICIPAL CODE AS RELATED TO TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION AND CHAPTER 4 OF THE TOWNSEND MUNICIPAL CODE AS RELATED TO THE FEE SCHEDULE

**Mayor
Scott Lobdell**

WHEREAS, the current Townsend Municipal Code prohibits dumpsters at properties which are zoned in residential districts; and

**Councilman
Joshua Mertz,
PhD**

WHEREAS, property owners within residential districts may need to utilize dumpsters from time to time to for matters related to trash collection and building permits; and

**Councilman
Joseph Bangura,
PhD**

WHEREAS, safeguards must be put into place when allowing for permits in residential districts to ensure no safety concerns are presented with the temporary dumpster.

**Councilman
Matthew
Chapman**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TOWNSEND (a majority of the members elected thereto concurring therein), that the following ***** as follows:

**Councilman
Marcus Suhr**

Section 1. Amends Chapter 12.12.080 Trash And Recycling Collection of the Townsend Municipal code by striking the following as noted with strikethrough and adding the following as noted by underline:

**Town Manager
Antonina Tantillo,
MPA,**

12.12.080 Trash And Recycling Collection

- A. Trash must be placed at the curb no earlier than 24 hours prior to scheduled trash pick-up. All trash containers must be removed from the sidewalk area no later than 24 hours after trash pick-up. Trash containers and/or bags should be placed at the edge of the property so as not to block the sidewalk.
- B. Commercial and retail establishments and apartments may use the trash

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company of their choice (preferably whoever has the town contract) that best suits their needs. The business owner must supply the town a letter stating what trash company they have arrangements with and will pay their trash bill directly to the company they use rather than the town.

~~C. Dumpsters will not be permitted at properties that are zoned residential.~~

C. Dumpsters will be permitted at properties in residential districts (R, R-1, R-1A, R2, and R-3) for up to five (5) days when a dumpster permit is applied for and issued by the Town of Townsend.

1. Fees for Dumpster Permits will be outlined in Chapter 4.12 Fee Schedule.

Section 2. Amends Chapter 4.12.020 Fees Enumerated of the Townsend Municipal code by adding the following as noted by underline:

3. Permit Fees

Dumpster fee : \$10 per day up to \$50 for a 5 day dumpster permit.

Violation of Dumpster Permit application : The first violation a monetary penalty shall be assessed of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500. Each subsequent violation shall incur a penalty of not less than \$200 nor more than \$1,000.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Adopted by at least a majority of the Council members of the Town of Townsend on this ____ day of _____, 2024.

- Introduction
- Public Hearing
- Final Reading
- Adoption

Signed By

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Mayor

Town of Townsend, Delaware

Attest: _____

Town Clerk