

**RECORD OF ORDINANCES**

***Ordinance No. 20-04      Passed August 12, 2020***

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**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING VILLAGE OF BEVERLY  
IMPOUND LOT REGULATIONS AND STORAGE FEES  
FOR IMPOUNDED AND/OR SEIZED VEHICLES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Village of Beverly wishes to establish impound lot regulations and fees for impounded and/or seized vehicles towed by order of the Village of Beverly Police Department.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Council of the Village of Beverly, County of Washington, State of Ohio, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** the Village of Beverly Council hereby authorizes the establishment of the following impound lot regulations and fees for impounded and/or seized vehicles:

- A.** An officer of the Village of Beverly Police Department may impound any motor vehicle which is:
  - 1. Stolen
  - 2. Parked in violation of the law
  - 3. Involved in a motor vehicle crash
  - 4. Not displaying current license plates
  - 5. Blocking ingress or egress to a street, alley, roadway, driveway, parking facility, or loading/unloading facility
  - 6. In possession of a physically arrested person
  - 7. Driven by a person arrested for a violation of Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 4511.19, Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence of Drugs or Alcohol (OVI)
  - 8. Under the control of a person who requests impoundment for safekeeping
  - 9. Held for evidence or investigation
  - 10. Driven by an owner who is under suspension
- B.** Any vehicle impounded by the Village of Beverly Police Department shall be ordered into a secure storage area.
- C.** The Village of Beverly shall, within 72 hours of vehicle being impounded, mail a notice to the registered owner of the vehicle to inform of such impoundment, reasons therefore, and place of storage.
- D.** An inventory search shall be conducted on all impounded vehicles. All personal property received from an impounded vehicle shall be listed on an inventory sheet. All personal property taken from the impounded vehicle must be stored in the evidence room at the Police Department.
- E.** A storage fee in the amount of twelve dollars (\$12.00) per day for each twenty-four (24) hours or fraction thereof, shall be charged per vehicle with a gross vehicle rating less than ten thousand five hundred (10,500) pounds. A storage fee of seventeen dollars (\$17.00) per day for each twenty-four (24) hours or fraction thereof, shall be charged per vehicle and per trailer with a gross vehicle rating of ten thousand five hundred (10,500) pounds or more.
- F.** Accrual of storage fees begins at the time vehicle reaches the impound lot.
- G.** Vehicles stored in the Village of Beverly Impound Lot for three months or longer may be declared excess property of the Village of Beverly and may be sold. Proceeds from sale of vehicle shall be deposited in the Village of Beverly General Fund and first be applied to storage fees owed to the Village and towage charges paid by the Village.
- H.** Any person desiring to redeem impounded vehicle shall appear at the Village of Beverly Police Department to furnish satisfactory evidence of identity and ownership or right of possession.
- I.** Prior to issuance of a release form, the claimant, owner, or operator shall pay the total amount due for any fines for violations of which such vehicle was impounded.

- J.** The Village of Beverly Police Department shall release such vehicle upon the receipt of the release form and payment of all towage charges paid for by the Village of Beverly and all storage fees due to the Village of Beverly.
- K.** The owner of the vehicle or the person who intends to operate the vehicle shall provide proof of insurance before removing the vehicle from the impound lot.

**SECTION 2:** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force at the earliest period allowed by law.

First Reading	June 10, 2020
Second Reading	July 8, 2020
Third Reading	August 12, 2020

*Passed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.*

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*Mayor*

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*President of Council*

*Attest:*

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*Fiscal Officer*

**CERTIFICATES:**

I, Pamela I. Jackson, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Beverly, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance #20-04 was duly posted in not less than five of the most public places in the Village of Beverly, as determined by the Council of the Village of Beverly, for a period of not less than fifteen (15) days.

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*Fiscal Officer*

I, Pamela L. Jackson, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Beverly, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance passed by Council at a meeting held August 12, 2020.

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*Fiscal Officer*