

ORDINANCE NO. 111

STILLWATER TOWNSHIP
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF STILLWATER TOWNSHIP ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. Definitions. As used in this ordinance, the following terms have the following meanings:

- COLLECTION:** The aggregation of mixed municipal solid waste from the place at which it is generated and includes all activities up to the time the waste is delivered to a waste facility.
- COMMERCIAL/
INDUSTRIAL
ESTABLISHMENT:** Any premises not primarily used for residential purposes and a commercial or industrial enterprise of any kind is undertaken, including restaurants, clubs, churches, and schools.
- CONSTRUCTION
DEBRIS:** Waste building materials, packaging, and rubble resulting from construction, remodeling, repair, and demolition of buildings and roads.
- GARBAGE:** Waste foodstuffs or table wastes of vegetable or animal origin, together with other incidental admixtures.
- HOUSEHOLD:** An individual or two (2) or more persons related by blood, marriage, guardianship, or adoption, living together as a single housekeeping unit; or a group of not more than three (3) persons not so related, maintaining a common housekeeping unit and using common cooking and kitchen facilities; or a residential program (group home) for six (6) or fewer persons as defined and licensed by the State of Minnesota Department of Human Services.
- MIXED MUNICIPAL
SOLID WASTE:** Garbage, refuse, and other solid waste from residential, commercial, industrial, and community activities that the generator of the waste aggregates for collection, but does not

include auto hulks, street sweeping, ash, construction debris, mining waste, sludges, tree and agricultural wastes, tires, lead acid batteries, used oil, and other materials collected, processed, and disposed of as separate waste streams.

REFUSE: Solid wastes such as nonrecyclable glass, crockery, cans, paper, boxes, rags, but excluding ashes, sand, earth, brick, stone, concrete, trees, tree branches, and wood.

YARD WASTE: Organic materials consisting of grass clippings, leaves, and other forms of organic garden waste, prunings, tree waste, and fresh-cut Christmas trees and boughs, but excluding garden vegetables and materials that are not readily compostible within a calendar year.

SECTION 2. Required Collection of Mixed Municipal Solid Waste: Every household and commercial/industrial establishment must be under a contract for at least weekly collection of mixed municipal solid waste. A household or commercial/industrial establishment may apply to the Town Board for an exemption from this requirement if the household or commercial/industrial establishment presents a plan to ensure an environmentally sound alternative.

SECTION 3. Disposal Requirements:

A. Disposing of mixed municipal solid waste, yard waste, and recyclable material on any streets, alleys, drives, parks, playgrounds, or other public places or on any vacant lots privately owned shall constitute a violation of this ordinance whether such material is discarded by the individual upon whose premises the mixed municipal solid waste or recyclable material originates or whether it is discarded by some other person or collector, licensed or unlicensed.

B. **Yard Waste Disposal:** It shall be unlawful for any person to dispose of yard waste in mixed municipal solid waste, in a disposal facility or in a resource recovery facility except for the purposes of composting or co-composting.

C. **Prohibited Disposal:** No person shall place or cause to be placed any mixed municipal solid waste, construction debris, yard waste, or anything they intend to dispose of or abandon within or next to a garbage can or dumpster or anywhere else unless they own or lease the receptacle or have the permission of the property owner or tenant.

SECTION 4. Penalty. Any person convicted of violating this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine or imprisonment, or both as specified by State statute.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective following its passage and publication on August 1, 1994.

ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Stillwater Township this 14th day of July, 1994.

STILLWATER TOWNSHIP

BY: David W. Johnson
Its Chairperson

ATTEST:

Pat Bantli.
Pat Bantli, Clerk