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SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

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19.01 DEFINITIONS

(1) “Hazardous Waste” means any solid waste identified as such by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

(2) “Refuse” means combustible and noncombustible rubbish including, but no limited to, paper, wood, metal, glass, cloth and similar material.

(3) “Solid Waste Facility” means the facility for solid waste treatment, storage or disposal, and includes by definition, the Blair Sanitary Landfill. This term includes the land upon which the facility is located.

(4) “Solid Waste Management” means planning, organizing, financing and implementing programs for the storage, collection, transportation, processing, recycling or final disposal of solid wastes.

19.02 STANDARDS

(1) The City, together with the Town of Preston, operates a solid waste facility, hereinafter called facility, licensed by the State Department of Natural Resources.

(2) The standards of operation shall be mutually agreed upon by the Council and the Preston Town Board.

(3) The cost sharing arrangements shall be mutually binding and subject to annual review, unless otherwise provided for by agreement.

19.03 OPERATIONS

(1) The disposal of waste and refuse, except hazardous waste, shall be permitted during limited times at the facility. The hours of operation shall be set, from time to time, by the Council. No disposal shall be permitted after hours.

(2) Such disposal shall be at the direction of the custodian on duty at the facility. The custodian will direct the place and manner of disposal.

(3) A special permit to use the facility may be granted upon approved application submitted to the City Clerk. The permit will enable the holder thereof to:

- (a) Dispose of bulk refuse;
 - (b) Use the facility after hours;
 - (c) Use the facility without custodial supervision.
- (4) No person shall be permitted to remove items, which have been disposed of at the facility.
- (5) No person shall be permitted upon the facility premises after hours of operation except as allowed by subsection (3).
- (6) Violators will be prosecuted pursuant to this ordinance and applicable to Wisconsin law.

19.04 OPEN BURNING

(1) The provisions of Section 289.51, Wis. Stat., are hereby adopted with regard to solid waste open burning by the City of Blair.

(2) The City does allow open burning by its residents or occupants within the city limits under the following conditions:

- (a) The burning of clean unpainted or unstained wood;
- (b) Within a fireproof or confined unit;
- (c) With sufficient screening or cover to prevent the escape of sparks or other fire residue.

(3) This section does not prohibit the use of an outdoor fireplace, grill or non-combustible fire ring for use exclusively for cooking or recreational purposes. Outdoor fireplaces, grills or non-combustible fire rings shall not be used for burning litter, refuse, garbage, leaves, paper rubbish or other waste materials. The material to be burned shall be contained within an outdoor fireplace or non-combustible fire ring and shall be limited to a pile no larger than two feet by two feet by two feet (2' x 2' x 2'). Fires within such an apparatus or ring, outdoor fireplace or grill shall be a minimum distance of twenty-five feet (25') from any and all structures.

(4) The provisions of the ordinance are not intended to be in conflict with, and do not rescind, Section 18.01 relating to the burning of rubbish.

19.05 STORAGE

No person may store or cause storage of solid waste in a manner which causes environmental pollution.

19.06 HAZARDOUS WASTE

It shall be the policy of the City to refuse the storage or disposal of hazardous waste. The City recognizes the problems and responsibilities of such hazardous waste disposal. The City recognizes its responsibility as to such wastes generated within its boundaries, but declines to accept those wastes generated elsewhere.

Any person violating this chapter shall forfeit not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each violation.