

ORDINANCE NO. FCO 2007-XVII  
**AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE SHERIFF'S TOWING FEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Floyd County Police Department (the "Department") must frequently order vehicles towed from Floyd County public ways as well as from private property; and

**WHEREAS**, each time the Department must order a vehicle towed, the Department incurs substantial processing costs, to include but not limited to: a complete inventory of the contents of the vehicle, police officer wait time on wrecker arrival, paperwork processing with wrecker operator and detailing police impound procedures, etc.; and

**WHEREAS**, a fee of thirty-five (\$35.00) Dollars for each vehicle towed would reasonably compensate the Department for its processing costs. This would apply to criminal and traffic infraction violation tow-ins; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposed ordinance has been duly advertised and a public hearing has been held concerning the establishment of this tow-in fee.

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners have the authority under I.C. 36-1-3-6 (the "Home Rule") to adopt an ordinance under Home Rule to establish and authorize the tow-in fee.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained:

Section 1. Vehicle Tow-in Fee

- (A) The Floyd County Police Department may assess a thirty-five (\$35.00 Dollar tow-in fee for each vehicle the Department orders towed.
- (B) Any entity that provides tow-in services for the Department shall collect the Department's tow-in fee along with its fees prior to releasing any towed vehicle to its owners and shall forward the Department's tow-in fees to the County Auditor's Office at least quarterly. The Auditor is hereby directed to deposit any such revenues received into the Sheriff's Fund.


Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law.

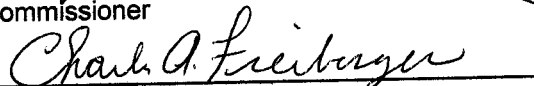
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDERED** that all Ordinances of Floyd County, Indiana which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and any Ordinance not in conflict with this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Adopted this 2nd day of October, 2007.

FLOYD COUNTY, INDIANA, by and through  
the Board of Commissioners

  
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President

  
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Commissioner

  
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**ATTEST:**

  
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Floyd County Auditor