## ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_, 5<sup>TH</sup> SERIES CITY OF INTERNATIONAL FALLS, MINNESOTA

## ORDINANCE TO ALLOW CHICKENS IN THE CITY OF INTERNATIONAL FALLS

## Sec. 11-7. - KEEPING OF CHICKENS

- (a) Each person must comply with the following to keep chickens within the City of International Falls:
  - (1) The principle use of the property where the chickens are to be kept is a single family dwelling;
  - (2) Any person who keeps chickens in the City of International Falls must be the property owner as recorded;
  - (3) No person shall keep more than ten chickens;
  - (4) No person shall keep a rooster;
  - (5) No person shall keep any chickens inside a dwelling unit;
  - (6) No person shall slaughter any chickens within the City of International Falls;
  - (7) Chickens shall be provided a secure and well ventilated roofed structure in compliance with the current zoning and building codes. Building permits are not required for accessory buildings 120 square feet or less, but setback requirements do apply.
  - (8) The roofed structure shall be fully enclosed, wind proof, have one square foot of window to 15 square feet of floor space and have a heat source to maintain an adequate indoor temperature during extreme cold conditions;
  - (9) The floors and walls of the roofed structure shall be kept in a clean, sanitary and healthy condition with all dropping and body excretions collected on a daily basis and placed in a fire-proof covered container until applied as fertilizer, composted or transported off the premises;
  - (10) Chickens shall be kept in the roofed structure or any attached fenced yard enclosure at all times;
  - (11) The fence around the yard enclosure shall be securely constructed with a mesh type material;
  - (12) The fenced yard enclosure shall be well drained so there is no accumulation of moisture; and
  - (13) A floor area or combination of the floor and fenced yard area for keeping chickens shall not be less than ten square feet of floor space per chicken.

(b)	Said ordinance approved at s	pecial election by	a majority of	the electors.

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