

ORDINANCE NO. 03-13

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS
WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ROCKFORD, OHIO
AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the Village of Rockford, Ohio desires to establish regulations for peddlers and solicitors within the Village limits of Rockford, Ohio.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ROCKFORD, OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1. LICENSE REQUIRED. No person shall sell, barter, bargain to sell, or solicit orders for goods, wares or merchandise by retail from place to place or from house to house within the Village of Rockford, Ohio, unless such person has first been issued, ten (10) days in advance, a license to do so as provided in this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. EXCEPTIONS.

(a) Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to make it unlawful for the owner of any product of his own raising, production or manufacturing to sell, bargain to sell or solicit orders by himself or to advertise such articles or products in the Village without the license required by this Ordinance.

(b) This Ordinance shall not apply to any person acting solely on behalf of a nonprofit organization, to any person engaged in the sale and delivery of milk, dairy products or other food products or to newspaper carriers along their regular delivery routes.

SECTION 3. LICENSE APPLICATION; CONTENTS. Applications for licenses required by the Village must be filed with the Chief of Police, on a form furnished by the Village, and shall contain the following information:

- (a) The name and address of the applicant;
- (b) The name and address of the person, firm or corporation by whom the applicant is employed;
- (c) The length of service of such applicant with such employer;
- (d) The place of residence and nature of the employment of the applicant during the last preceding year;
- (e) The nature or character of the goods, wares or merchandise to be offered by the applicant; and
- (f) A personal description of the applicant.

Such application shall be accompanied by credentials and other evidence of good moral character and identity of the applicant as may be reasonably required by the Chief of Police.

SECTION 4. LICENSE FEE. The fee for the license required by the Village shall be \$ 25 for a period of 5 days, including the date of issue.

SECTION 5. CARRYING OR EXHIBITING LICENSE. The license issued pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be carried by the peddler or solicitor at all times when peddling or soliciting and shall be exhibited to any person solicited or to any police officer upon request.

SECTION 6. BUSINESS HOURS. All business conducted under authority of a license issued pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be conducted between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and sunset.

SECTION 7. LICENSE TRANSFER AND USE. No license issued pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be in any manner assignable or transferable. No license shall authorize any person other than the one named in the license to do business. No licensee shall conduct any other business than that which is named in the license.

SECTION 8. REVOCATION OF LICENSE. The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to revoke any license issued pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance upon good and sufficient cause.

SECTION 9. CONSENT OF PROEPRTY OWNER. No person licensed pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain, sell, barter, bargain to sell or solicit orders for goods, wares or merchandise at the front of or at the side of any property against the wish or desire of the owner or tenant of such property.

SECTION 10. PENALTY. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor. A separate offense shall be deemed committed each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

SECTION 11: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed on this 19th day of November 2013.

Attest:

 Lisa Kuhn
Fiscal Officer

Approved:

 Amy Joseph
Mayor

 Steve Gehle
President of Council