## GENERAL ORDINANCE 2010-04 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SWEETSER TOWN CODE BY ESTABLISHING THE ELECTION OF TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS AT LARGE INSTEAD OF FROM DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweetser has previously been divided into districts for the purpose of conducting elections of town council members, first by the Board of Commissioners of Grant County when the Town was incorporated, and subsequently by the Town Council as the legislative body of the Town;

WHEREAS, State Law (Indiana Code Sec. 36-5-1-10.1 and 36-5-2-4.1(h) provides that in a town having a population of less than 3,500, that the town legislative body may adopt an Ordinance providing that:

- 1. The town legislative body districts are abolished; and
- 2. All members of the legislative body are elected at large;

WHEREAS, the Town Council is the legislative body of the Town of Sweetser by virtue of State Law, (Indiana Code Sec. 36-5-2-2);

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that the Council should continue to have five (5) members as the Council has previously consisted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF SWEETSER, INDIANA, THAT THE SWEETSER TOWN CODE IS AMENDED BY REVISING CHAPTER TWO OF THE TOWN LEGISLATIVE BODY AND EXECUTIVE SECTION 36-5-2-4.1 TOWN COUNCIL DISTRICTS AND 36-5-2-5 AT LARGE ELECTIONS TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. As used in this Ordinance:

- 1. "Council" refers to the Town Council of the Town of Sweetser.
- 2. "Town" refers to the Town of Sweetser.

SECTION 2. The Council consists of five (5) members

SECTION 3. The members of the Council shall be nominated at large within the Corporate Boundries of the Town; and members of the Town Council shall be elected at large by the voters of the whole town. In the event a Council Member ceases to be a resident of the Town, the Council Member for fits such of fice as a Council Member.

SECTION 4. The Clerk Treasurer of the Town shall forward a signed copy of this Ordinance to the Circuit Court Clerk of Grant County and the Clerk Treasurer of the Town shall request the Circuit Court Clerk to include a copy of this ordinance in the records of the Grant county Election Board.

SECTION 5. The following are repealled:

- 1. Sweetser Town Code Section 35-5-2-4.1 and 5;
- 2. General Ordinance 1967-2:
- 3. General Ordinance 1992-6; and
- 4. All other Ordinances conflicting with this Ordinance to the extent of that conflict.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall be in effect on January 1, 2011.

ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

SWEETSER/TOWN COUNCIL

Charles V. Briede, President

Robert D. Highley, Vice President

Mary E, Asher

Howard B. Schick

Sidney Merchant

ATTEST:

By:\_\_\_\_

V. Jill Johnsoff, Clerk-Treasurer

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