ORDINANCE 2024-1 CAMPERS AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES (RV)

WHEREAS, The Town Council of the Town of New Richmond, Indiana is advised of the authority granted to it by the Indiana General Assembly, specifically by not limited to IC 36-7-2; IC 36-8-2-4: and IC 36-1-4-11; AND

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of New Richmond, desires to protect the health, safety, and welfare the residents of the Town of New Richmond, Indiana.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Town Council of the Town of New Richmond, Indiana, that the following rules for use of campers and recreational vehicles (RV) in the Town of New Richmond, Indiana are hereby established:

SECTION 1. Definitions:

1. Recreational Vehicle is any camper or RV used for recreational use.

SECTION 2. Recreational Vehicles (RV) Occupancy

- 1. **Permanent Occupancy Prohibited**. Recreational vehicles are designed only for recreational use and are not built to HUD manufactured home standards. Therefore, recreational vehicles are not permitted to be used for permanent residential occupancy outside of a campground or RV park approved by the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH).
- 2. **Temporary Occupancy of RV**. A recreational vehicle may only be used for recreational purposes outside of a campground or RV park provided the following conditions are met:
 - a. The RV is occupied for recreational purposes and/or summer use for visiting family or friends (no permanent occupancy);
 - b. No more than one (1) RV may be occupied on a single parcel;
 - c. All development standards in other ordinances are met;
 - d. The RV cannot be served by permanent utilities;
 - e. No permanent structures shall be attached to the RV;
 - f. The RV is ready for highway use (defined as being on its wheels or jacking system; is attached to the site only by quick disconnect type utilities and security devices; and has no permanently or semi-permanently attached additions or structures. This pertains to non-emergency for quick disconnects.
- 3. **Temporary Occupancy of RV During Primary Dwelling Construction or Remodeling.** A recreational vehicle may be authorized by the Town Council and used for temporary occupancy only during the construction or remodeling of a single-family dwelling on the same parcel provided the following requirements are met:
 - a. A temporary use permit is obtained for placement of the RV and a BP (building permit) for the single-family dwelling to be constructed/remodeled on the same parcel has also been issued.
 - b. Temporary occupancy of the RV is limited to one (1) year and may be renewed for an additional six (6) month period if construction of the dwelling has started but is not completed.

- c. The RV shall be served by the same address, water supply, and sewage facilities serving the single-family dwelling under construction.
- d. The RV shall <u>not</u> be placed on a permanent foundation and permanent structures may not be attached to the RV;
- e. Occupancy of the RV is restricted to the owner of the property who is constructing/remodeling the permanent dwelling and shall be discontinued within seven (7) calendar days of the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for the permanent dwelling.
- 4. Temporary Occupancy of RV During an Emergency Situation. A recreational vehicle may be authorized by the Town Council to be used for temporary occupancy during an emergency situation such as a house fire and/or other disasters while the resident is waiting for the insurance company to take action. Resident should obtain an Emergency Camper And Recreational Vehicle Permit from the Clerk's office within 30 days of the Camper/RV being put on property. There is no charge for an Emergency Camper And Recreational Vehicle Permit.

SECTION 3. Recreational Vehicles Storage or Parking

- 1. The owner of a recreational vehicle may store or park their unoccupied recreational vehicle behind or alongside the primary building in such a manner that no part of the vehicle projects beyond the front of the primary structure, side yard setback, or rear yard setback.
- 2. A recreational vehicle shall not block a sidewalk, alley or street.

SECTION 4. Permit Fees and Fines

- 1. Permit fee for fourteen (14) to thirty (30) consecutive day is free.
- 2. Permit fee for summer use from May 1 to September 1 is \$10.00.
- 3. Permit fee for one (1) year is \$40.00 renewing for one (1) additional year is \$20.00.
- 4. Permits shall have an issued and expiration date and shall be placed on the recreational vehicle in a window or in a place on the vehicle to be seen from the road.
- 5. Fine for not having a permit is \$25.00 a day. Resident must maintain monthly communication with Town Hall of progress. It is within rights of the Town Hall and Board Members to ask for an update if one has not been provided or it is evident progress is not being made.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect 30 days after the date of its passage, and all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions hereof are of no further force of effect and are hereby repealed. If any part of this ordinance shall be held invalid, such part shall be deemed severable and the

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this5th			
Council of the Town of New Richmond, Mo	ontgome	ry Cou	nty, Indiana.
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