

ORDINANCE NO 2025-10-07-003

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING BRANCH AND BRUSH CHIPPING SERVICES FOR ALL RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES, OHIO.

WHEREAS, the Village Council of Wayne Lakes, Ohio recognizes the need for environmentally responsible and convenient disposal of yard waste, including tree branches and brush; and

WHEREAS, the provision of a municipal Branch and Brushing Chipping Service will promote public health safety, and welfare by reducing illegal dumping, fire hazards, and pest harborage, while supporting sustainable landscaping practices;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the council of the Village of Wayne Lakes, Darke County, Ohio, as follows:

AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS

Section 1. Purpose and Authority

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a curbside\streetside branch and brush chipping program for all Village residents, ensuring safe, efficient, and environmentally responsible disposal of tree and brush material. This ordinance is enacted under the Village's general welfare and health powers.

Section 2. Definitions

- Brush: Tree limbs, branches, shrubs, and stumps not exceeding three (3) inches in diameter.
- Chipping Week: Scheduled period during which curbside chipping is provided.
- Village: The corporate limits of the Village of Wayne Lakes
- Resident: Any property owner or occupant within the Village limits with proof of residency.

Section 3. Eligibility and Scheduling

1. Curbside\at street chipping is available to all single-family and duplex residential properties.
2. Spring Program: Scheduled by the Maintenance Department and advertised in the Wayne Lakes Newsletter two weekdays of the month of May.
3. Fall Program: Scheduled by Maintenance Department and advertised in the Wayne Lakes Newsletter two weekdays in the month October.
4. Additional summer pickups may be scheduled by request for the first full week in June, July, and August through a work order to be attained through the village office.

Section 4. Preparation and Placement Requirements

Residents must adhere to the following standards when setting materials curbside:

- Branch piles shall not exceed 5 feet in height, and individual branches must not exceed three (3) inches in diameter.
- Branches must be laid in a single row, cut ends facing the road.
- Materials must be placed no earlier than 48 hours before and no later than 6:00 AM on the scheduled chipping days of the months in May and October.
- Chip brush spring and fall or upon request and storm damage within a week after the storm but require a WORK ORDER
- Any piles exceeding the above limits may be left uncollected at the crew's discretion.

Section 5. Request Procedure

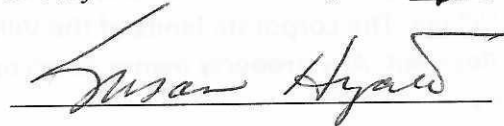
1. Residents shall complete and submit a WORK ORDER through the village office preceding the two designated chipping days in both May and December.
2. Forms are at the village office and as soon as possible may be available online at www.Villageofwaynelakes.dreamhosters.com
3. Failure to submit a form on time will defer collection to the next available program.
 - The basic curbside chipping program is provided at no additional cost.
 - A \$25 administrative fee applies for each after-hours or special-request pickup outside scheduled weeks or outside storm damage week.

Section 8. Enforcement and Penalties

Any person who violates this ordinance shall be subject to the penalties set forth in this ordinance schedule.

The resolution shall take effect 30 days from the date of passage,

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village of Wayne Lakes Council, this 17th day of November 2025.

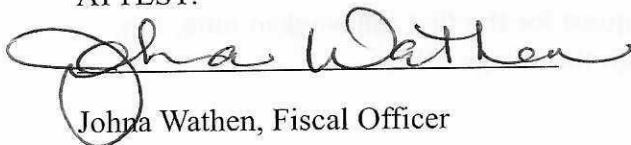


President of Council



Mayor, Linda Clark

ATTEST:



Johna Wathen, Fiscal Officer

1st Reading: Oct 7, 2025

2nd Reading: Oct 29, 2025

3rd Reading: