

ORDINANCE 1834

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REGULATION OF CONSUMER FIREWORKS ORDINANCE WITHIN THE TOWN OF MUNSTER

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Munster is the municipal legislative body of the unit; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Munster, its Staff, and consultants have reviewed and recommended various changes to the Munster, Indiana Code regarding the Regulation of Consumer Fireworks; and

WHEREAS, based on those recommendations, the Munster Town Council has conducted a public hearing after due notice as required by law on the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Munster, after said public hearing and after due deliberation, has concluded that an amendment to Chapter 30 – Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, § 30-8 Regulation of Consumer Fireworks, is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, The Munster Town Council deems it to be in the best interest of the general health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Munster to amend Chapter 30 – Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, § 30-8 Regulation of Consumer Fireworks of the Munster Code of Ordinances;

Now, therefore, be it **ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of Munster, Lake County, Indiana as follows:

1. § 30-8 of Chapter 30 – Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions of the Munster Code of Ordinances, is hereby repealed and deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Chapter 30 – OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Sec. 30-8. Regulation of consumer fireworks.

- (a) *Definition. Consumer fireworks.* For purposes of this section consumer fireworks shall mean consumer fireworks as defined by IC 22-11-14-1.
- (b) *Days and hours of use.* Consumer fireworks may not be used, ignited, or discharged in the Town of Munster except during the following times:
 - (1) Between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. on June 29, 30, July 1, July 2, July 3, July 5, July 6, July 7, July 8, and July 9;
 - (2) Between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and twelve midnight on July 4; and
 - (3) Between the hours of 10:00 a.m. on December 31 and 1:00 a.m. on January 1.
- (c) *Exceptions.* Subsection (b) does not apply to any parks or recreational area or facility within the Town of Munster. (See Sec. 34-94, prohibition of fireworks in all parks and recreational areas.)

- (d) The use, ignition, or discharge of consumer fireworks other than during the above time periods shall constitute an ordinance violation and shall be punishable by a fine of \$100.00.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its publication which shall occur within thirty (30) days after passage.

Now, therefore, be it **ORDAINED** that the above-referenced Ordinance is hereby enacted.

ORDAINED and ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Munster, Indiana, on the ____ day of September 2021, by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ opposed.

**TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MUNSTER,
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA**

Dr. Andy Koultourides, President

ATTEST:

Wendy Mis, Clerk-Treasurer