

**ORDINANCE 2024-1**  
**An Ordinance Amending Chapter 50: Garbage and Rubbish**

**WHEREAS**, IC36-1-3-2 confers upon all local governmental units the powers they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Kouts is a municipal government located in Porter County, Indiana, which may pass and codify ordinances for its operation pursuant to IC 36-1-4 and IC 36-1-5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council has made certain amendments to Chapter 50 of the Town of Kouts Municipal Code;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of Kouts, Indiana, these amendments and or additions are as follows:

**YARD WASTE AND LEAF COLLECTION**

**§50.21 DEFINITION.** For the purpose of this subsection the size of brush and tree limbs shall be amended to read: "not to exceed four (4) inches in diameter."

**§50.21 COLLECTION PROCEDURE.**

(D) Residents and businesses may place for pick-up leaves and limbs not exceeding four inches in diameter and four feet in length. Leaves and brush must be in two separate piles and *not* placed in the roadway or walkway.

**§50.22 FEES.** A written schedule of fees shall be established by the office of the Clerk-Treasurer which shall be the same fee charged by the contractor hired by the town and shall become an obligation of each residential property owner. The same shall apply to business owners that choose to participate.

**RECYCLING**

**§50.35 DEFINITION.** For the purpose of this subchapter, *Recyclable Materials* shall mean cardboard, paper, metal cans, plastic bottles, and jugs, all of which shall be free from food and liquid. *Recyclable Materials* shall *not* include any items contaminated with used oil or other toxic or hazardous substance or material, food, dirty paper and cardboard, toys, clothes or shoes, diapers, plastic grocery and sandwich bags, Styrofoam, medical waste and building materials.

**§50.36 RECYCLABLE COLLECTION.**

The owner or occupant of any residential premises where garbage is generated shall separate recyclable materials from all other solid waste and place the recyclable materials at the curbside in a clearly identified container, provided by the recyclable contractor, for collection and shall maintain the recyclable container and the area surrounding it neat, clean, and sanitary condition at all times. Standard recyclable containers shall be provided by the contractor and shall be a sixty-five (65) gallon wheeled cart. All recyclable materials placed for collection shall be free from waste, oil and other chemical contaminants.

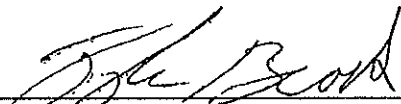
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** that an emergency exists for the passage of this ordinance on first reading; and

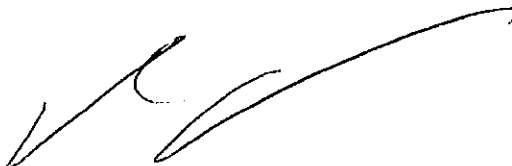
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IF FURTHER ORDAINED** that any ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed and of no further force and effect; and


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance be in full force and effect after its passage and posting in accordance with IC 36-5-2-10.

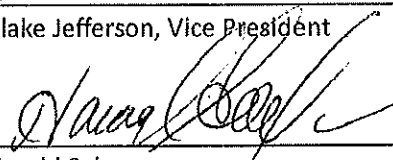
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Kouts, Porter County, Indiana this 11th day of March, 2024.

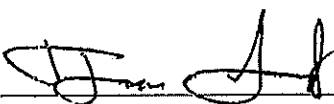
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