

**VILLAGE OF WINNEBAGO**

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CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS BY VILLAGE**

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**ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**VILLAGE OF WINNEBAGO**

**THIS 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2005**

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**WHEREAS**, the Village of Winnebago Board of Trustees have considered the issue of acceptance of credit card payments for authorized obligations to the Village of Winnebago, including but not limited to utility bills, parking tickets, Village sponsored events, and permit fees; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the statutory requirements contained in the Local Governmental Acceptance of Credit Cards Act listed in Chapter 50, Act 345 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, a public hearing was held not less than 10 days nor more than 30 days following public notice of the hearing to receive public input on the issue of whether the acceptance of credit card payments for the types of obligations specified in the public notice were in the best interests of the citizens, taxpayers, and governmental administration of the Village of Winnebago; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Winnebago Board of Trustees believes it is in the best interest of the citizens and taxpayers of the Village of Winnebago and the Village governmental administration itself to accept credit card payments for authorized obligations to the Village of Winnebago for which payment is able to be accepted at the Village Office, including but not limited to utilities, parking tickets, Village sponsored events, and permit fees.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WINNEBAGO AS FOLLOWS:**

In accordance with the terms and conditions of the Local Governmental Acceptance of Credit Cards Act contained in Chapter 50, Act 345 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, the Village of Winnebago shall, upon entering into a contractual relationship with a credit card servicing provider, accept credit card payments for authorized obligations to the Village of Winnebago, for

which the Village is authorized and equipped to receive payment, including but not limited to utility bills, parking tickets, Village sponsored events, and permit fees.

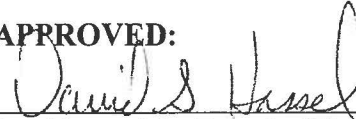
A convenience fee or surcharge fee shall be imposed by the Village of Winnebago on the credit card user each time such credit card is utilized in payment of an obligation to the Village of Winnebago for which the Village of Winnebago is authorized and equipped to receive payment, with a limitation on the convenience or surcharge amount of the lesser of \$20.00 or 5% of the principal amount charged in connection with the issuance of any license, sticker, or permit, or with respect to any similar transaction; the lesser of \$5.00 or 5% of the transaction in connection with the payment of any fine; and the lesser of \$40.00 or 3% of the principal amount charged in connection with the payment of any real estate or other tax. Notwithstanding the above, a minimum fee of \$1.00 may be imposed with respect to any transaction. Also, notwithstanding the above, a fee may be charged by the Village on a transaction in excess of the above limits if:

- i) the fee imposed by the Village of Winnebago is no greater than the fee charged by the financial institution or service provider accepting and processing credit card payments on behalf of the Village of Winnebago; and
- ii) the financial institution or service provider accepting and processing the credit card payments was selected by competitive bid; and
- iii) the Village of Winnebago fully discloses the fee to the cardholder.

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The convenience fee or surcharge fee to initially be charged shall be \$1.00 per transaction, and such fee may be modified upon duly passed motion by the Village Board in accordance with the above stated limitations.

**APPROVED:**



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President of the Board of Trustees of the  
Village of Winnebago, Illinois

**ATTEST:**

  
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Village Clerk

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