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## **Title 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Chapters:

### ***Chapter 1.04 REVISED CODE OF WAHIAKUM COUNTY***

Sections:

#### **1.04.010 REVISED CODE OF WAHIAKUM COUNTY ENACTED.**

The fourteen titles with chapters and sections designated as the "Revised Code of Wahkiakum County", attested by the Clerk of the Board of Wahkiakum County Commissioners, and relating to the topics of general provisions, administration, public safety, stock restricted areas, weed control, business licenses and regulations, building codes and permits, roads and bridges, motor vehicles, subdivision control, liquor control, public health, revenue and taxation, and motor boats, are hereby adopted, enacted and incorporated herein as though fully set forth in this Chapter and the same are hereby designated as the "Revised Code of Wahkiakum County". Said code is intended to embrace in a revised, consolidated, and codified form and arrangement all the ordinances and resolutions of Wahkiakum County which are of a general and permanent nature.

In compliance with the provisions of Revised Code of Washington, Chapter 36.32.120(7), three copies of the aforesaid Code have been filed with the Wahkiakum County Auditor; and one copy of the aforesaid Code has been filed with the Clerk of the Town of Cathlamet.

#### **1.04.020 NUMBERING SYSTEM ADOPTED.**

The decimal system of numbering employed in the Revised Code of Washington is hereby adopted as the general system to be followed in designating chapters and sections of the Revised Code of Wahkiakum County.

#### **1.04.030 NUMBERING NEW SECTIONS, CHAPTERS.**

New chapters or sections added to the Revised Code of Wahkiakum County, as the result of ordinances and resolutions enacted subsequent to the effective date of this Chapter, shall be numbered in harmony with said general numbering system and shall bear such respective numbers in accordance therewith as may be assigned by the Prosecuting Attorney of Wahkiakum County in his capacity as code reviser.

#### **1.04.040 CODE AS PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF THE LAW.**

The contents of said code shall establish prima facie the ordinances and resolutions of this County of a general and permanent nature in effect on the date hereof, but nothing herein shall be construed as changing the meaning of any such ordinances and resolutions. In case of any omissions, or any inconsistency between any of the provisions of said code and the ordinances and resolutions existing immediately preceding this enactment, the previously existing ordinances and resolutions shall control.

#### **1.04.050 NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADDED TO CODE.**

All ordinances and resolutions of a general and permanent nature enacted after the date hereof, shall, from time to time, be incorporated into and become a part of said code.

#### **1.04.060 PROSECUTING ATTORNEY DESIGNATED AS CODE REVISER.**

The Prosecuting Attorney of Wahkiakum County is hereby designated as the official reviser of the Revised Code of Wahkiakum County.

#### **1.04.070 DUTIES OF THE CODE REVISER.**

Subject to such general policies as may be promulgated by the Board of Wahkiakum County Commissioners, the reviser shall:

- (1) Codify for consolidation into the Revised Code of Wahkiakum County all ordinances and resolutions of a general and permanent nature heretofore or hereafter enacted by the Board, and assign permanent numbers as provided by this Chapter to all new titles, chapters, and sections so added to the code.
- (2) Edit and revise such ordinances and resolutions for such consolidation, to the extent deemed necessary or desirable by the reviser and without changing the meaning of any such law, in the following respects only:
  - (a) Make capitalization uniform with that followed generally in the code.
  - (b) Make chapter or section division and subdivision designations uniform with that followed in the code.
  - (c) Substitute for the term "this ordinance" or "this resolution", where necessary, the term "section" or "part", "code", "chapter" or "title", or reference to specific section or chapter numbers, as the case may require.
  - (d) Substitute for reference to a section of an "ordinance" or "resolution", the proper code section number reference.
  - (e) Substitute for "as provided in the preceding section" and other phrases of similar import, the proper code section and number references.
  - (f) Substitute the proper calendar date for "effective date of this ordinance", "date of passage of this ordinance", and other phrases of similar import.
  - (g) Strike out figures where merely a repetition of written words, and substitute, where deemed advisable for uniformity, written words for figures.
  - (h) Rearrange any misplaced material, incorporate any omitted material as well as correct manifest errors in spelling and manifest clerical or typographical errors, or errors by way of additions or omissions.
  - (i) Correct manifest errors in reference, by chapter or section number, to other ordinances and resolutions.
  - (j) Correct manifest errors or omissions in numbering or renumbering sections of the code.
  - (k) Divide long sections into two or more sections, and rearrange the order of sections to conform to such logical arrangement of subject matter as may most generally be followed in the code when to do so will not change the meaning or effect of such sections.
  - (l) Change the wording of section captions, if any, and provide captions to new chapters and sections.
  - (m) Strike provisions manifestly obsolete.

- (3) Create new code titles, chapters, and sections of the Revised Code of Wahkiakum County, or otherwise revise the title, chapter and sectional organization of the code, all as may be required from time to time, to effectuate the orderly and logical arrangement of the ordinances and resolutions of this County. Such new titles, chapters, and sections, and organizational revisions, shall have the same force and effect as the fourteen titles enacted and designated as the "Revised Code of Wahkiakum County" pursuant to RCWC 1.04.010.

#### **1.04.080 REVISER MAY OMIT CERTAIN SECTIONS OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.**

The reviser may omit from the code all titles to ordinances and resolutions, enacting and repealing clauses, preambles, declarations of emergency, and validity and construction sections unless, in a particular instance, it may be necessary to retain such to preserve the full intent of the ordinance or resolution. The omission of validity or construction sections is not intended to, nor shall it change, or be considered as changing, the effect to be given thereto in construing legislation of which such validity and construction sections were a part.

#### **1.04.090 COOPERATION WITH CODE REVISER—APPROPRIATIONS.**

The Board of Wahkiakum County Commissioners shall take care to see that all possible steps are taken to facilitate the work of the Code Reviser. The Board shall make such appropriations as are necessary to enable the Reviser to perform the duties imposed by this Chapter.

#### **1.04.100 AMENDMENT, REPEAL TO INCLUDE CODE NUMBERS.**

The Board of County Commissioners in amending or repealing ordinances or resolutions shall include in such enactments references to the code numbers of the ordinances and resolutions affected.

#### **1.04.110 CODE MAY BE CITED AS "RCWC".**

The Revised Code of Wahkiakum County may be cited by the abbreviation "RCWC".

#### **1.04.120 PUBLIC ACCESS TO CODE.**

A copy of the Revised Code of Wahkiakum County shall at all times be on file in the office of the Wahkiakum County Auditor and shall be open for public inspection.

#### **1.04.130 SEVERABILITY.**

If any provision or provisions of this chapter, or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of this Chapter, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

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