

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-56**  
**INTRODUCED BY: MR. MAERSCH**

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**AN ORDINANCE**  
**AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 351.17 TO**  
**PROHIBIT THE USE OF COINS TO PAY PARKING**  
**PENALTIES.**

WHEREAS, Codified Ordinance Section 351.17 provides that any individual charged with a violation of Chapter 351, with certain exceptions, may file an instrument waiving the formal issuance of an affidavit and warrant, and authorize the plea of guilty by depositing with the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Bedford Municipal Court the sum of money listed in Codified Ordinance Section 351.17(b) by a certain date; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received payment for parking fines by some violators by paying with pennies and other coins, intending to make a mockery of the payment of a parking citation which has burdened the Village and takes up excessive labor that is totally unnecessary; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council has determined that Codified Ordinance Section 351.17 should be amended to prohibit the payment of fines identified in that section using gold, silver and other coins.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS, STATE OF OHIO:**

SECTION 1. Codified Ordinance Section 351.17 is hereby amended to add Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) Payment of the sum of money required by Section (b) hereof shall be paid exclusively by (i) United States legal tender notes, known as Federal Reserve notes, (ii) an authorized check drawn on a bank that has readily payable funds to cover the check when drawn on by the Municipality, or (iii) by a credit card issued by a credit card issuer accepted by the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Bedford Municipal Court who is on duty at the Chagrin Falls Village Hall. Payment using gold, silver and other coins is hereby prohibited and will not be accepted as payment by the Deputy Clerk of the Bedford Municipal Court and the Clerk of the Bedford Municipal Court shall be under no duty or obligation to accept payment by gold, silver and other coins that are intended to circulate as currency. If payment is tendered by a check that is not honored by the payor's bank, the violator shall pay all costs and

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expenses incurred by the Municipality resulting from the dishonor of the bank check.

SECTION 2. That actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in lawful meetings of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements, including Chapter 114 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Chagrin Falls.

SECTION 3. That in accordance with Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Chagrin Falls, public notice of this Ordinance shall be given by posting a copy thereof for not less than fifteen (15) days in the Village Hall.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law and Charter.

PASSED: September 11, 2017

  
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Karl Maersch, Council President

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval on this


12 day of September, 2017

Approved by the Mayor this

12 day of September, 2017

  
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Mayor William Tomko

I hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2017-56 was duly enacted on the 11 day of September, 2017, by the Council of the Village of Chagrin Falls and posted in accordance with Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Chagrin Falls.

  
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Clerk of Council