

City of Lone

**Ordinance No. 1-2016**

An Ordinance allowing and setting conditions on allowing female domestic fowl, "chickens" kept for personal use; within the City limits.

the It shall be lawful to keep female chickens in the City primarily for personal use to following conditions:

**A. Up to 10 female chickens of any age may be kept on any city lot with a minimum area of 5,000 square feet.**

**A. One female chicken per 500 square feet (100x100=10,000÷500=20) city lot. Maximum chickens allowed at any time 20 female chickens.**

B. No roosters shall be permitted.

C. Waste matter shall not be allowed to accumulate.

D. All food for chickens shall be stored in metal or other rodent proof containers.

E. Fencing shall be designed and constructed to confine all chickens to the owners' property. A privacy fence or shrub screening at least 4 feet high will be provided around any outdoor enclosure.

F. All structures that house chickens shall be located at least five (5) feet from any side property.

G. No structure that house chickens shall be located in front of the main structure.

I. Chickens must be kept in a covered enclosed coop between 10:00 pm and 7:00am. The coop, run and chickens therein shall not disturb neighboring residents due to noise, odor, damage or threats to public health.

J. All citizens wishing to maintain chickens must register at city hall.

Whereas, the City has become aware there are many citizens with a strong desire to raise chickens for a variety of reasons, chickens provide access to a fresh and plentiful food source, provide pest control, are a source for natural fertilizer, and many find chickens are fun.

Whereas, the City continues to field Citizen complaints related to chickens the time has come to put applicable rules and guidelines in place that will allow our citizens to coexist.

The City of Lone Ordains as Follows:

Effective May 10, 2016, Chickens, common domestic fowl will be allowed within the Lone City limits as dictated by this Ordinance. Lack of compliance with this Ordinance may result in fines and loss of your right to legally raise or maintain chickens with the City of Lone.