

TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

ORDINANCE NO: 1727

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE "TOWN OF ST. JOHN PARK BOARD FAMILY GARDENING PROGRAM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND," AND ALL MATTERS RELATED THERETO

**WHEREAS**, a Community Garden System is a permitted use on property owned by the Town, the Park Board, and other designated zoning districts in the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, whereby a public, a nonprofit organization, or a group of individuals, may grow and harvest food crops and/or ornamental plants for use by a group, individuals cultivating the land and their households, or for donation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Park Board of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has established a "Family Gardening Program" to be administered by the Town of St. John Parks and Recreation Department with the assistance of the Community Gardens Committee in the Town of St. John; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of St. John Parks and Recreation's Family Gardening Program will be funded by registration and/or participation fees, as well as through receipt of donations, and monies appropriated from the Capital Fund of the Town of St. John Park Board or other Town funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has determined that it is advisable, necessary, and in the best interests of the residents of the Town of St. John to establish a separate Special Revenue Fund into which monies collected as donations and event participation and/or registration fees, as well as appropriations from other Town Funds can be deposited and from which expenditures may be made, for the purposes described hereinabove.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION ONE:** That there is hereby established the "Town of St. John Park Board Family Gardening Program Special Revenue Fund 284," which shall be a Special Revenue Fund under the rules, regulations and requirements of applicable Indiana law, including the Indiana Code, as amended from time to time, as well as the administrative rules and requirements to the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

**SECTION TWO:** That any monies collected as donations, from event participation and/or registration fees, as well as appropriations from other Park Board or Town Funds, shall be deposited into the "Town of St. John Park Board Family Gardening Program Special Revenue Fund 284," as well as any and all other monies that are specifically identified to be used in connection with the Town of St. John Parks and Recreation's Family Gardening Program.

**SECTION THREE:** That the monies deposited in the "Town of St. John Park Board Family Gardening Program Special Revenue Fund 284," shall be utilized and expended only for the costs incurred in connection with the planning, coordination and carrying out of the Town of

St. John Parks and Recreation's Family Gardening Program and all activities related thereto, as approved and authorized by the Park Board.

**SECTION FOUR:** That the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town is authorized and directed to take all appropriate and required steps to establish said "Town of St. John Park Board Family Gardening Program Special Revenue Fund 284" in conformance and compliance with all applicable law, as amended from time to time.

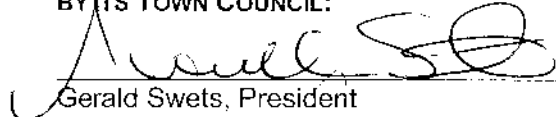
**SECTION FIVE:** That all existing Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby deemed null, void, and of no legal effect, and are specifically repealed.

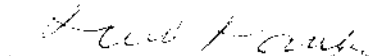
**SECTION SIX:** That if any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance.

**SECTION SEVEN:** That this Ordinance shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after its passage by the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana.

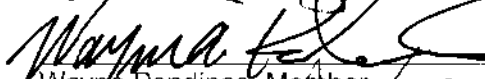
ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF February 2021, BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA.

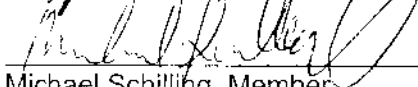
TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
BY ITS TOWN COUNCIL:

  
Gerald Swets, President

  
Paul Panczuk, Vice President

  
Bryan Blazak, Member

  
Wayne Pondinas, Member

  
Michael Schilling, Member

ATTEST:

  
Beth R. Hernandez, Clerk-Treasurer