Ordinance No.

ANNUAL COUNTY VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE
IOWA COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES

IOWA County, Wisconsin

The Board of Supervisors of IOWA County does ordain as follows:

WHEREAS, building and maintaining highways and bridges are essential to sustaining the quality of Wisconsin’s highway infrastructure, which is vital to the state, counties and municipalities to support commerce, tourism and the safe transportation of people and goods; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County property tax appropriation and other revenues have declined over the last 15 years while increases in the cost of materials needed to maintain the county highway maintenance goals and programs have more than doubled; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes § 341.35 gives a county the authority to enact an ordinance imposing an annual flat registration fee on all motor vehicles registered in this state which are customarily kept in the county; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stats. § 341.35 defines “motor vehicle” as an automobile, or motor truck registered under Wis. Stats. § 341.25(1)(c) at a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds; and

WHEREAS, a $20.00 annual county vehicle registration fee would become a designated revenue source for the core service of highway construction improvements in Iowa County that comes directly from the users of highways; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation collects the fee and remits the moneys collected to the county less an administrative fee, currently $0.10 per motor vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors directs these annual fees to be in addition to other fund sources currently being utilized by the Iowa County Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Ordinance to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT).

THEREFORE, the Iowa County Board of Supervisors hereby creates an Annual County Vehicle Registration Fee – of the Iowa County Code of Ordinances, attached hereto.

Offered by the Transportation Committee on August 28, 2014.

Adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this _______ day of ______________, 201___.