

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2025
TOWN OF TRAIL CREEK, INDIANA

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF TRAIL CREEK, LAPORTE COUNTY, INDIANA,
TO CREATE THE POLICE DONATION FUND**

WHEREAS, the Town Council (Council) of the Town of Trail Creek, Indiana (Town), recognizes that from time to time individuals and/or businesses may wish to donate money to the Town for specific designation to the Police Department for public safety, law enforcement or community outreach purposes; and

WHEREAS, donation monies are to be recorded in a separate and distinct fund from the general operating funds of the Town and Police Department; and

WHEREAS, both the Clerk-Treasurer and the Council desire to establish a new fund, the Police Donation Fund, for the receipt of this special revenue and the associated qualifying expenditures as described above, with a perpetual life until a subsequent Ordinance terminates the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Council has been made aware a donation was given to the Marshal who then tendered it to the Clerk-Treasurer on March 18, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Council is also aware the Clerk-Treasurer deposited the donation as required by statute and created a distinct fund as a holding place until Council could act; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to ratify the Clerk-Treasurer's actions and causes this Ordinance to be retroactive to March 18, 2025; and

WHEREAS, for the purposes of this Ordinance, the Council defines "dormant" as a lack of revenue or expenditure for a period of five (5) years.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TRAIL CREEK, LAPORTE COUNTY, INDIANA, that

1. The Police Donation Fund be established for the receipt of donations to the Town when designated for use by the Police Department; and
2. The Clerk-Treasurer shall establish the Police Donation Fund in order to account for the revenues and expenditures of the donation monies as described above; and
3. The Police Donation Fund, with a perpetual life and non-reverting balance, shall be included and managed in the regular budget processes of the Town.
4. If the fund ever becomes dormant, and through a subsequent Ordinance, any remaining cash balance shall be transferred to the General Fund for use by the Police Department, as described herein, and the fund shall be closed.

**DULY ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TRAIL CREEK,
LAPORTE COUNTY, INDIANA, this 18 day of March, 2025.**



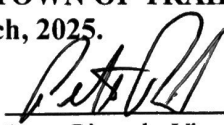
Jennifer Heath, Council President



Laura Saenz, Council Member



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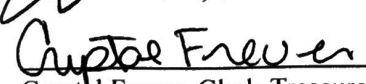


Peter Pizarek, Vice President



Warren Schacht, Council Member

ATTEST:



Crystal Frever, Clerk-Treasurer