

**PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN**

Notice is hereby given that the following ordinance was adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Charlestown after a public hearing, duly advertised and posted, held on February 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., at the Charlestown Town Hall, 4540 South County Trail, Charlestown RI.

**ORDINANCE NO. 368
AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDING CHAPTER 147, LICENSE AND BUSINESS
REGULATIONS**

Note: Words set as ~~strikeover~~ are to be **deleted** from the ordinance; words set in **bold** are to be **added** to the ordinance.

Section 1. The Town Council of the Town of Charlestown hereby ordains that Chapter 147 of the Code of Ordinances, Town of Charlestown entitled Licenses and Business Regulations, is amended as follows:

147-7 Business registrations and Fee.

Mindful of the importance of locating and being aware of businesses and other profit making enterprises conducted in the Town of Charlestown and in order to provide for the general welfare and safety of the citizens of the Town of Charlestown, in that concern for zoning, police protection, fire protection and other services depend on knowledge of the needs of certain areas and locations, the Town Council of the Town of Charlestown proposes as follows:

- A. All wholesale, retail, commercial, professional service or manufacturing businesses whether by sole proprietorships, partnerships, corporations or any business entity shall register their business, company, trade or office situated in the Town of Charlestown with the town clerk. Each registration shall contain the name of the firm or business, the owner(s) or operator(s) of the firm or business, the type of business to be conducted and other basic information.
- B. There shall be a ~~twenty five dollar (\$25.00)~~ ten dollar (\$10.00) fee for each registration. The registration fee ~~shall be set~~ may be altered by ordinance amendment by the Town Council.
- C. Upon registration of a business, a registration certificate shall be issued to the registrant by the Town Clerk. Every registration certificate shall expire the first day in December and shall be renewed annually upon payment of the required fee. No certificate shall be renewed if the business fails to provide proof from the tax collector that all municipal taxes have been paid to date. Every certificate of registration shall be placed in a conspicuous location in each business establishment.

D. Any business ~~required to obtain~~ obtaining a liquor, victualing or any other license to operate under any other section of the Charlestown Code of Ordinances shall be exempt from the requirement of this ordinance provision ~~statue~~.

E. Any person, legal entity, and/or association, whether as principal, agent, employee, or otherwise, who violates any provision of this chapter, shall be fined not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day for each offense. Any fine imposed under this ordinance may be enforced as an ordinance violation in the Charlestown Municipal Court or the District Court, at the discretion of the Town. ~~appealed to the Charlestown Town Council~~. The fines shall inure to the town and each day that the violation continues shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

Section 2. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized to cause said changes to be made to the Town of Charlestown's Code of Ordinances.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Attested To By:
Amy Rose Weinreich, CMC Town Clerk

Passed By Town Council On:
February 9, 2015

Advertised in the Westerly Sun: February 16, 2015