# Ashe County Staff Report

6/16/2021

**RE: Solid Waste Ordinance** 

## **Summary:**

Attached are four changes to the solid waste ordinance that address the following:

- 1. Requires a form and proof prior to any solid waste fee being released or reduced.
- 2. Requires that the power be off on a structure for 8 months before the solid waste fee can be reduced.
- 3. Eliminates any early discounts of the solid waste fees for early payment.
- 4. Includes a fee reduction of 50% for elderly and disabled property owners.

### **Attachments:**

1. Solid Waste Ordinance

## REQUEST FOR RELEASE / REFUND OF RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE FEE

All persons requesting a release or refund of the solid waste disposal fee shall submit a request form along with required information to the tax administration office. Request will be reviewed before release/refund is approved of made.

### **EXCLUSION AND APPEALS.**

#### **Exclusions**

- (A) The fees imposed by this subchapter shall be collected at a rate of 50% of the solid waste disposal fee from those property owners excluded under the provisions of G.S. § 105-277.1 as elderly applicants and disabled applicants where the owner is either 65 years of age or older or is totally and permanently disabled; and where the owner has made the required application and has been approved for exclusion by the office of the Tax Assessor of the county.
- (B) The Solid Waste Disposal Fee will be waived on any residence where the power has been disconnected for a period of eight months of the calendar year or the residence is found to be unsound or condemned.
- (C) No discounts shall be applied to the Solid Waste Fee.

## **Appeals**

Property owners can appeal the Solid Waste Disposal fee in writing to the Ashe County Tax Administration Office by January 5th of the following year for which the bill became due.

The Board of Commissioners shall hear any request for appeals on an as-needed basis.