Resolution 47-25

A Resolution authorizing the City of Orrville, Ohio, to sell by internet auction, or otherwise dispose of, unclaimed or forfeited property held by the Police Department in the year 2026.

WHEREAS, property that has been lost, abandoned, stolen, misplaced, lawfully seized, or forfeited, and is in the custody of the Police Department, shall be deposited and kept in a location designated by the Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that property held by the Police Department for a period not less than ninety (90) days may be considered unclaimed property and may be sold by internet auction; and

WHEREAS, certain property no longer used for evidence purposes, property unclaimed for ninety (90) days, or forfeited property, including but not limited to, alcohol, drugs, firearms, dangerous ordnance, obscene materials, or other unclaimed or forfeited property as deemed appropriate, may be destroyed by the Police Department, and not sold at internet auction; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orrville has the capability of either contracting with a private internet- based auction system to conduct the internet auction, or can conduct such internet auction itself utilizing GovDeals.com, eBay®, or other internet auction site; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution expresses Council's intent to sell unclaimed property held by the Police Department by internet auction as opposed to a traditional live auction; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds from the sale of such property shall be deposited in the General Fund or in the appropriate fund as determined by the Director of Finance in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code or as otherwise required by law;

WHEREAS, certain unclaimed or forfeited property with nominal value may be otherwise disposed of as determined by the Safety-Service Director and Chief of Police.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Orrville, Ohio:

Section 1: That the City administration is authorized in the year 2026 to sell by internet auction any unclaimed property that is in the custody of the Police Department;

Section 2: The internet auction will be accessible through the City of Orrville's webpage at www.orrville.com, shall be hosted by GovDeals.com, eBay®, or another internet auction site and managed by a City of Orrville employee;

Section 3: The unclaimed property shall be listed for not less than ten (10) days, including Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays;

Section 4: The Chief of Police may establish a minimum price that will be accepted for specific items and may establish any other terms and conditions for the particular sale, including requirements for pick-up and delivery, and the method of payment for auctioned items shall be determined by the Finance Director;

Section 5: If the Safety-Service Director and the Chief of Police determine that the unclaimed or forfeited property is not fit for internet auction, they may discard or salvage that property in an appropriate manner.

Section 6: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 1ST day of December 2025.

President of Council

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Attest:

Jeanne Gault
Clerk of Council

Approved:

Matthew R. Bryan
Mayor

12-01-2025
Date

I, Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council of the City of Orrville do hereby certify this legislation _____ adopted on_____was duly posted on_____ within 10 days as required by the Charter of said City.