



City of Ottertail Chicken Application

Permit # _____

Date of Application: _____

Applicant _____

Address _____ Phone # _____

Email _____

Property Owner's Name _____ Phone # _____

Number of Chickens _____

Read and Initial each item

_____ I have read Ordinance 2025-03 Amending Ottertail City Code 91.04 Farm Animal

_____ I agree to abide by the conditions stated in Ordinance 2025-03 relative to keeping chickens

_____ If I am renting the property where hens will be kept, I have received permission from property owner, and they have also agreed to sign this application

_____ I have attached a sketch of the proposed coop (including dimensions). This sketch also includes the location of the coop to my house, lot line, fencing and distance to any adjoining property.

Applicant's Signature _____

Property Owner's Signature _____

FOR OFFICE USE

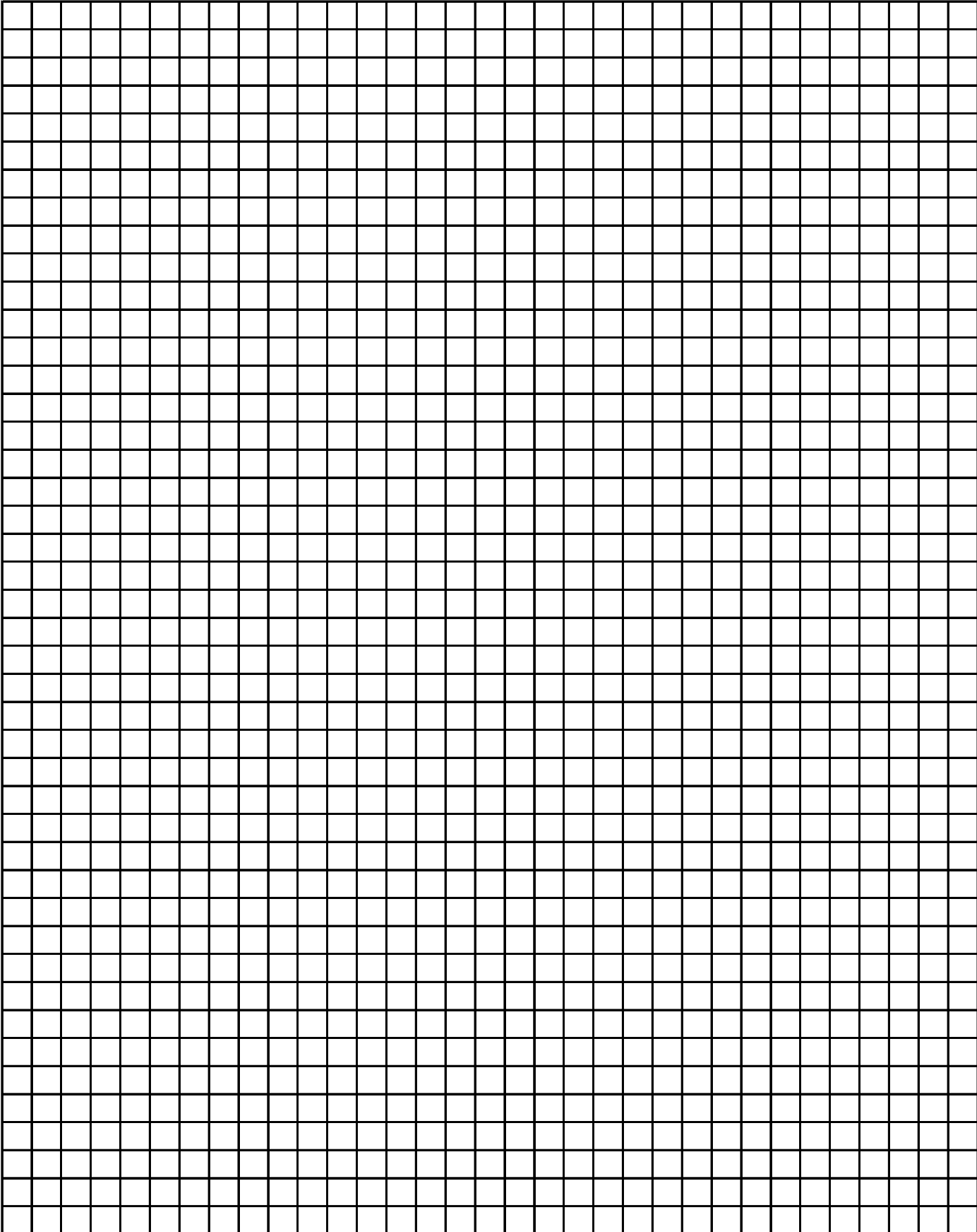
Permit Fee Paid yes no

Permit Expires on December 31 of Each year

Permit Approved yes no By _____

Chicken Permit - Coop Layout on Property

*drawing of proposed coop, existing structure (include measurements and setbacks, right-of-ways, lot lines, ect)



ORDINANCE 2025-03
CITY OF OTTERTAIL
ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE IX CHAPTER 91: ANIMALS

AMEND § 91.04 FARM ANIMALS

TO INCLUDE (A) Chickens

An exception shall be made for the keeping of chickens when all of the following requirements are met:

1. *No more than six (6) hens shall be kept on the premise (parcel); and*
2. *Chickens shall be kept in a coop or attached coop run/enclosed at all times; and*
3. *No roosters are permitted; and*
4. *All coops, runs, and enclosures shall comply with required property line setbacks.; and*
5. *Coops and enclosures shall not be placed within 75 feet of any public right-of-way; and*
6. *For parcels with two or more public rights-of-way, the 75-foot setback shall be applied to the front yard, defined as the side of the parcel corresponding to the dwelling's assigned address; and*
7. *The premises must be located in a Single Family/Duplex (R-1), Multi-Unit Residential (R-2) zoning district; and*
8. *If two (2) or more complaints regarding odor, noise, sanitation or other nuisance conditions are received by the City within a twelve-month period, the City shall revoke the chicken license; and*
9. *Upon revocation, the property owner shall remove the chickens and all related coops/enclosure by the date specified in the City's written notice; and*
10. *A license is purchased annually (\$25.00) at the City Office; and*
11. *Failure to obtain a license or remove the chickens and structure by the required date shall constitute a violation of this section and is subject to the penalty provision of § 91.99*

(Ord. passed --2012; Am. Ord. 2020-04, passed 12-17-2020; Am. Ord. 2025-03, passed 12-18-2025)

Adopted by the City Council of the City Ottertail, of Otter Tail County, Minnesota on this 18th day of December 2025 and effective date of this Ordinance is January 1, 2026 following passage and publication in the official newspaper.

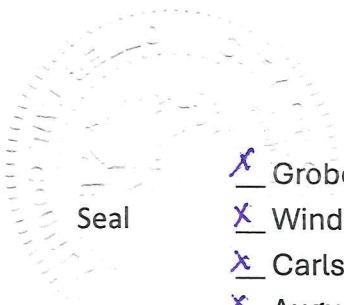


Ron Grobeck, Mayor

Attest:



Amanda Thorson, Clerk-Treasurer



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