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Rules & Regulations

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Lewisburg Water Works,

LEWISBURG, WEST VA.



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Water-Works Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE WATER-WORKS AND ESTABLISHING WATER RATES.

THE Mayor and Board of Trustees of the town of Lewisburg, West Va., do ordain as follows :

Section 1—Application. — All persons desiring a water supply from the water-works must first make application to the secretary, stating fully and truly all purposes for which water is wanted, and the name of a licensed plumber selected by the owner of the premises. Such application must be signed by the owner of the premises or his authorized attorney ; whereupon a permit will be issued to such plumber, specifying the particular uses applied for, and a like application must be made thereafter for any other use, appliance or fixture, and all expenses attending the introduction of water to any premises must be paid by the applicant. The plumber designated by the owner, and to whom the permit is issued

by the town, will not be recognized in any sense as the agent of the town, nor will the town hold itself responsible for the acts of the plumber.

Sec. 2—Depth of Service Pipe.—Service pipe shall in no case be laid at a less depth than $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

Sec. 3—Kind of Service Pipe Used.—All pipes placed in connection with the water-works shall be not less than what is termed double extra strong pipe and of standard weight, and must be of lead or best galvanized iron, double strength, and when the latter is used the connection to all mains and hydrants must be made with at least two feet of extra strong lead pipe.

Sec. 4—Tapping the Distributing Main. The town will in all cases tap the water mains and insert the corporation cock and put in the service pipe to the side-walk, or curb line, with a stop cock and cut-off box attached, which stop cock and its box shall be for its exclusive use and under its exclusive control.

Sec. 5—Plumber's Return.—The plumber shall within twenty-four hours after completing any attachment, connection or al-

teration, make a return in writing, on a blank furnished for the purpose, of the nature of each and every attachment and the contemplated use of water by such attachments, and when run to a tank shall state all the uses supplied therefrom, and file said return with the secretary. Every return must be full and complete in every particular. The penalty for non-compliance with this rule is \$5 for each offense, and the town will also in its discretion revoke the license of the plumber so offending.

Sec. 6.—No plumber shall leave the curb cock open and the water on the premises, and water will be turned on only after the receipt of the plumber's return and after the applicant shall have signed a request in a book kept by the secretary for that purpose.

Sec. 7—Fixtures, Repairs, Waste, etc.—All consumers must keep their service pipe, fixtures, stop cocks and other apparatuses in good repair and free from leakage, and shall prevent all unnecessary waste of water. For the purpose of preventing waste of water by improper construction of the water fixtures used by consumers the town shall have the right

to control their selection. First-class material and workmanship only shall be employed in making attachments and in the fixtures connected therewith. The town will stop the supply when consumers or their servants waste water by defective fixtures or otherwise. The town will not be responsible for damages to buildings or their contents from any break in any pipe, appurtenance or fixture, and water consumers are therefore advised for their own protection to provide another stop cock at the first suitable point beyond the stop cock of the town.

Sec. 8.—Supply to two or more Buildings from one Tap.—Permission will not be granted to supply more than one building or dwelling from a single tap unless the services are divided at the curb and separate services run from separate curb cocks therefor.

Sec. 9.—No hydrant, goose neck or hose attachment shall be placed in any yard or area of any premises so situated as to be accessible to persons living on or occupying neighboring premises, and no water takers will be allowed to supply water to others except by special permit from the town, and if found so doing

without a permit the supply will be stopped and the water rent already paid forfeited.

Sec. 10.—When dwellings are supplied with water for baths, urinals, water closets, or other special uses, schedule rates therefor will in all cases be charged in addition to the domestic rates.

Sec. 11.—Every water closet or urinal must be of such construction as not to be capable of discharging more than a given amount of water at each flush, so that it cannot be made to flow continuously, either by intention or neglect; and no other style of closet or urinal will be supplied except through a meter.

Sec. 12.—The town officers, their agents and assistants, may enter the premises of any water taker, at any reasonable time, to examine the pipes and fixtures, the quantity of water used and the manner of its use, and in case of fraudulent representation on the part of any water taker, or unnecessary waste of water, or other misconduct, the supply of water will be stopped.

Section 13—Plumber's License, Bond, etc.—A plumber wishing to do business

in connection with the water-works shall, before receiving license to do so, file with the secretary his petition in writing, giving the name and place of business of the firm and evidence satisfactory that he is a regularly educated plumber and master of his trade, and will in all respects be governed by the ordinances and rules which are or may be adopted by the town, and shall give bond with surety or sureties to be approved by the town in the penal sum of five hundred dollars that he will indemnify and save harmless the town from all accidents, damages and losses which it may sustain by reason of lack of compliance with the rules and regulations as are now or may hereafter be established by the town, or from the use of defective material or bad work.

Sec. 14.—No person shall lay any service pipe or do any kind of plumbing work, whether it be for the first connection with the water-works or an addition to or alteration or modification of the service or fixtures, without a written permit previously obtained of the town for the respective separate job, and all the work and material of the plumber, and all fixtures, taps, and other appliances or at-

tachments made, shall be subject to inspection and approval of the town.

Sec. 15.—Plumbers in making returns of permits shall give the name of the street, on what side the service pipe enters the premises, and must also state accurately the distance of the stop-cock box from the line of the nearest cross street or alley, or other well defined public place—the measurement to be given in feet and inches.

Sec. 16.—Every service pipe must be furnished with a stop and waste below the action of frost, so situated that the water can be conveniently shut off and drained from the pipes to prevent freezing.

Sec. 17.—Fountains and Jets.—The rates for fountains or jets will be based upon such use for a period not to exceed ten hours per day for four months in each year. All fountains must have such discharge for waste water as shall be satisfactory to the town. The right is reserved to discontinue fountains if at any time the public exigency may require it.

Sec. 18—Shut off in case of Fire.—In case of fire or an alarm of fire, or in mak-

ing repairs, or constructing new work, the town reserves the right to shut off the water at once without notice, and keep it shut off as long as may be necessary.

Sec. 19—Vacation of Premises. — Any person or persons vacating premises supplied from the water-works will be charged for the use of water until notice in writing is given to the secretary. No reduction will be made to a water consumer on account of short or temporary absence.

Sec. 20—Meters. — Water consumers may have meters attached to their service pipe whenever it may be desirable, or the town may attach meters whenever it may deem it proper to do so. When a meter is attached at the request of the consumer he shall pay the expense thereof. Whenever water is used by meters the proper officers of the town shall take the state of the meter each month and report the amount of water used as shown by it, and the secretary shall present the bill therefor to the consumer and demand payment, and if not paid promptly the secretary is ordered to shut off the water supply and it shall not be turned on again until all arrearages be fully paid with a

fee of \$1 for turning on and off the water.

Sec. 21—Protections, Penalties and Hydrants.—No person or corporation shall perform any act by which any fire hydrant, or fire plug, or other appliance connected with the Lewisburg Water-Works, shall be covered or hidden from view, or obstructed, or by which same may be rendered difficult of access or operation for the purpose of attaching hose thereto, or for any other useful purpose; and no person shall hitch any horse, team or animal to any fire hydrant; neither shall open or interfere with hydrants or valves or other water-works fixtures for any purpose other than extinguishing fires, cleansing public gutters or sewers, filling the public cisterns, or for exhibitions of the fire department, and then only by the proper agents or officials of the town, or by special authority of the town of Lewisburg. For any violation of any of the above provisions, in addition to civil damages, the party so offending shall, upon conviction, be fined not exceeding \$50 for each offense.

Sec. 22—Sprinkling, Etc.—Sprinkling will be allowed only from 5 to 7 o'clock a. m., 12 to 1 o'clock at midday, and from

5.30 to 7.30 o'clock in the evening, and with hose $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in diameter, having a nozzle with not exceeding $\frac{1}{4}$ inch orifice. If either is larger an extra charge will be made and will require a special permit therefor. The use of leaky, defective hose is prohibited. No person will be allowed to sprinkle adjoining or opposite premises, or use water for any purpose not authorized by the terms agreed upon with the town. Sprinkling in the hours above named covers only its use during said hours for such length of time in said hours as may be necessary for reasonable and necessary sprinkling, and does not cover its use for the entire hour unless such use is actually necessary for said reasonable and necessary sprinkling.

Sec. 23—How Water Rents Paid.—Water rents not heretofore excepted must in all cases be payable quarterly in advance, and if not so paid for five days after they become due the town will shut off the supply.

Sec. 24—Reservation as to Supply.—The town reserves the right to limit the amount of water furnished to any consumer should circumstances warrant such action, although no limit is expressed in

the application or permit for such use, or to entirely cut off the use for any manufacturing purpose, or any use for supplying power, at any time by giving reasonable notice in writing to the consumer of such intended action. Parties taking water for supplying boilers, generating steam, or for domestic use, and depending solely upon the water pressure for such supply, will do so at their own risk. In all cases when boilers are supplied a suitable safety or vacuum valve must be applied to prevent damage from collapsing, or otherwise, when the water is shut off from the street mains. The town does not guarantee a specific quantity of water to consumers for the purposes named in their permits, but to furnish an ample supply to all for the purposes applied for, in so far as practicable, unavoidable accidents excepted.

Sec. 25—Fraud, Wrongful Use, Etc.—Any consumer who shall turn on the water after it has been turned off by any authorized town officer or its agent, for any purpose, or any consumer who shall habitually permit others not members of his family to use water from his or her pipe without license, and any person who

shall thus obtain water shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than \$1 nor exceeding \$25.

Sec. 26.—Any and all penalties for violation of these regulations, arrearages for unpaid water rent and other charges, may be sued for and collected by the town. All officers and employees of this town are hereby directed to report any violations of the ordinances or rules relating to the water-works.

Sec. 27.—The secretary shall procure a suitable book and keep therein a true and correct account of all moneys collected and paid out, and of all matters pertaining to the water-works of which a record is necessary, and to have printed and keep on hand printed blanks for application for permits, plumber's reports, receipts, etc., which shall be paid for by the town. The right is reserved to amend or add to these rules and ordinances as experience may show to be necessary.

Sec. 28.—The committee from the Board of Trustees, appointed by the Mayor upon fire and water, are and shall be vested with power and general supervision and management of matters pertaining to the

water-works generally, and shall hear and report grievances and perform such other offices and duties necessary to protection from fire and supplying water, etc., when the Board is not in session, but their action and conduct of the water-works affairs shall be subject to revision and approval by the entire Board.

Sec. 29.—The town will in all cases charge a tapping fee of \$3.

WATER RATES.

The following water rates have been adopted, subject to any changes that the Board of Trustees may deem necessary :

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| For bank, | 6.00 |
| For bakery, each oven,..... | \$6.00 to \$8.00 |
| For barber shop, first chair, | 5.00 |
| Each extra chair,..... | 2.00 |
| For baths, private, | 5.00 |
| Baths, hotel or boarding house, each | 8.00 |
| Baths, public, for first tub,..... | 10.00 |
| Each additional tub,..... | 6.00 |
| For boarding house or hotel, per room,..... | \$1 up to 10 rooms. |
| Each additional room,..... | .50 |
| but no license for less than.. | 6.00 |

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| For book bindery or printing office, not less than | 10.00 |
| For bricks, laid, per 1,000, | 6.00 |
| but no license for less than | 25.00 |
| For brick yard, per table, | 12.00 |
| For candy manufactory, . . . \$5.00 to \$25.00 | |
| For church, including Sunday school, not less than | 5.00 |
| For church, for baptistery, not less than | 5.00 |
| For confectionery, | \$6.00 to \$20.00 |
| For cow, | 1.00 |
| For creamery, not less than \$10 to \$50.00 | |
| For dyeing or scouring establish- ment, | \$6.00 to \$50.00 |
| For forge, each, | 2.00 |
| but no license for less than | 3.00 |
| For fountain, running not more than 4 hours per day for 6 months, | \$10.00 to \$50.00 |
| For grocery, including washing bot- tles, barrels and jugs, . \$6 to \$20.00 | |
| For halls or theatres, | \$6.00 to \$20.00 |
| For horse or mule, | 1.00 |
| For hose for private stable, not less than | 3.00 |
| For hose for livery or sale stable, | 15.00 |

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| For hose for sprinkling 40 feet or less, including sidewalk, | 3.00 |
| Additional feet, per foot, | 10c. |
| For ice-cream saloon, not less than \$5.00 to \$15.00 | |
| For laundry, | \$10.00 to \$50.00 |
| For livery or sale stable, | \$15.00 to \$30.00 |
| For office or sleeping room, not less than | 2.00 |
| For office for dentistry, not less than | \$6.00 to \$10.00 |
| For oyster saloon, not less than | 6.00 |
| For photograph gallery, not less than | 6.00 |
| For plastering, per yard, | $\frac{1}{2}$ c |
| For restaurant, | \$6.00 to \$15.00 |
| For residence occupied by 1 family only—1 to 4 rooms, | 5.00 |
| 5 to 6 rooms, | 6.00 |
| 7 to 8 rooms, | 7.00 |
| 9 to 10 rooms, | 8.00 |
| Additional rooms 50c per room. | |
| For Free school, for every 25 pupils or less, | 2.00 |
| For shop or store, | \$3.00 to \$6.00 |

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| For soap factory, | \$20.00 to \$100.00 |
| For sprinkling lawn or garden—1st 100 square yards 2½c per sq. yd.; 2nd 100 sq. yds. 1c per sq. yd.; 3rd 100 sq. yds and over ½c per. sq. yd. | |
| No license for sprinkling lawn or garden for less than | 2.50 |
| For sprinkling streets with carts, per square, fronting length of square, | 25.00 |
| No license for less than | 25.00 |
| For steam heating apparatus, \$6 to 100.00 | |
| For steam boilers or engines, per horse power, | 2.00 |
| For running at night one-half rate extra. No license for less than | 8.00 |
| For stone work, per perch, | 3c |
| For tannery, per vat, | 4.00 |
| Water closets, one seat, | 5.00 |
| Each additional seat, | 3.00 |
| Urinal for hotel, | 10.00 |
| For manufacturer of soda water for own use, and not for manu- facturing for other parties in connection therewith, | 2.00 |
| For manufacturer of soda water for other parties, not less than | 6.00 |

All establishments or factories, where steam engines are used, shall be assessed extra as per fixed rates.

Meter rates—1,000 gallons or less, daily average consumption, 40 cents per M.

Over 1,000 and less than 3,000 gallons, daily average consumption, 30 cts. per M.

Over 3,000 and less than 5,000 gallons, 25 cents per M.

Over 5,000 and less than 10,000 gallons, daily average consumption, 20 cts. per M.

Over 10,000 and less than 20,000 gallons, daily average consumption, 15 cts. per M.

All over 20,000 gallons daily average consumption, 10 cts. per M.

Attest: B. F. HARLOW, Mayor.

GEO. T. ARGABRITE, Sec'y.





