

## An Ordinance Concerning The Fire Department.

"Be it ordained by the <sup>City Council or</sup> Board  
of Trustees, of the Town  
of Grand Junction."

Article 1 - of Fire officers and duties of  
Citizens during fires.

Sec 1

That there may be elected or  
appointed by the Board of Trus-  
tees of the Town of Grand Junction  
one or more Fire Wardens, who,  
shall hold their office for any  
length of time not exceeding  
one year, to be determined by the  
Board of Trustees, and receive  
such compensation as may  
be allowed by the Board  
of Trustees.

It shall be the  
duty of the Fire Warden or War-  
dens to see that all ordinances  
of the town concerning the Fire  
Department are enforced.

Sec 2.

Every person who shall be pres-  
ent during a fire, shall be  
subject to the orders of the Fire  
Wardens or Mayor, Town Marshal  
and all other officers, in ex-  
tinguishing the fire, and

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 removing and protecting property,  
 and in case such person shall  
 neglect or refuse to obey such  
 orders, he shall forfeit and  
 pay for every such offense the  
 sum of five dollars, and all  
 officers shall have power to  
 arrest any such person or neg-  
 lecting or refusing to obey  
 such lawful orders, as fore-  
 said; and hold him in cus-  
 tody until the fine shall have  
 been extinguished, when he shall be  
 taken before the Police Magistrate,  
 or if there be none then before  
 a Justice to be dealt with ac-  
 cording to law; Provided, That  
 no person shall be bound to  
 obey such officer unless the  
 official character of the  
 officer be known or be made  
 known to such person.

## Section 2nd "Precautionary Regulations.

Sec 1.

It shall be the duty of the Fire  
 Wardens to examine all build-  
 ings, occupied or unoccupied,  
 and all buildings in process of  
 construction, and all depositories  
 of ashes and manufacturing est-  
 ablishments, and report to the Board  
 of Trustees all violation of law,  
 and the ordinances of the City in re-  
 lation thereto.

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Sec. 2.

The Fire Wardens shall, also, from time to time, inspect all stoves, fire-places, hearths, grates, furnaces, boilers, and other places in this town, where fire may be kept, and all stovepipes, chimneys, ovens and other apparatus or fixtures connected therewith, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the same be in a safe and proper condition, and such inspection shall be made on the request of any citizen, at any proper time, for the purpose of ascertaining the condition and safety thereof.

And whenever in the opinion of the Fire Warden, any stove, fire place, hearth, grate, furnace or other place for keeping fire or any apparatus, for conducting smoke or heat from any such place may be in such condition, as to render the keeping of fire, therein unsafe, it shall be his duty to order and direct the occupant of the building in which the same may be, or with which the same may be connected, to discontinue the making of fires therein, and to make all necessary alterations, and repairs to render the keeping of fire therein safe in the opinion of the Fire Warden inspecting the same;

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and if any person shall make a fire therein, and neglect to make such necessary alterations and repairs, after being directed so to do, as aforesaid, he shall forfeit and pay to said town a sum not less than five dollars, for each and every day he shall continue to neglect the same without making the necessary alterations and repairs aforesaid; Provided, That any person feeling himself aggrieved by the decision or detection of any Fire Warden may appeal to the Board of Trustees, at the first meeting thereof after the order of the Fire Warden as aforesaid; but in all cases the orders of the said Fire Warden to discontinue the making of any fire shall be complied with until the final decision of the Board of Trustees on such appeal.

Any person who shall resist or obstruct any Fire Warden in the execution of the duties herein enjoined upon him shall forfeit and pay to said town a sum not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Sec. 3.

No lighted candle or lamp shall be used in any stable or other place or building when hay

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Straw or other like Combustible material shall be kept, unless the same shall be well secured in a lantern, under the penalty of Two dollars for each offense.

Sec. 4.

No hay, straw, chips, shavings or other Combustible material, shall be set on fire or burned in any street or lot, within forty feet of any building in this town, (and then only in the day-time when the wind is blowing,) without permission of the Mayor, under the penalty of Five dollars, to be recovered of any person directing or causing the same to be done.

Sec. 5.

Any person who shall within sixty feet of any building in which fire is kept, put any hay, straw, or other Combustible material in stack or pile without first having the same enclosed or secured so as to protect it from flying sparks or fire, shall be subject to a fine of ten dollars for each offense, and a like fine for every week the same shall be allowed to remain after notice, to remove or secure the same.

Sec. 6.

No chimney shall hereafter be built in this town with less than four inches in thickness

of brick or stone completely  
 embedded in lime mortar,  
 and plastered on the inside  
 with a smooth coat of the  
 same. No flue shall in any  
 case be less than four by  
 eight inches, holes for stove  
 pipes shall have a sheet-  
 iron thimble inserted into  
 the chimney, embedded in  
 mortar, and when not in use  
 a tin or sheet iron stopper  
 with a flange at least half  
 an inch wide out side the  
 brick. Every person who shall  
 hereafter build or cause to  
 be built, a chimney contrary  
 to the provisions of this sec-  
 -tion shall cause the same to  
 be altered, within ten days  
 after notice shall be given to  
 make such alterations by any  
 Fire Warden, or forfeit and  
 pay to sum of five dollars for  
 every such chimney so long as  
 said chimney shall remain  
 unaltered; Provided; That,  
 parties desiring may erect  
 or build chimneys of terra  
 cotta, or other hard earthen  
 material, and if built of such  
 material they shall in all  
 respects be built as directed  
 by an Fire Warden; and on  
 failure or refusal to build as  
 directed, every person shall  
 forfeit and pay the sum of  
 five dollars, and ten dollars

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 for each week that such  
 Chimney remains contrary  
 to the direction of the Fire  
 Warden

Sec. 7 Stove pipes, shall not be less  
 than four inches, from any  
 wood or other combustible  
 material, unless there be  
 a double circle of tin con-  
 nected together and air holes  
 through the connecting tin  
 between said pipes and the  
 combustible material; and  
 every person violating the  
 provisions of this section shall  
 forfeit and pay to said  
 Warden, the sum of five dol-  
 -ars and the further sum  
 of five dollars, for each  
 week such person shall  
 continue violating this  
 section

Sec. 8 No ashes shall be kept or  
 deposited in blocks.

Approved March 5th A.D. 1883.  
 Charles F. Shick  
 Mayor

P. H. Westmeyer

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