

✓ An Ordinance

✓ Entitled An Ordinance  
Concerning Misdemeanors -  
Be it ordained by the Board of  
Trustees of the Town of Grand Junction

Art 1  
Sec 1  
Offenses against good morals -  
Health and Police:

If any person shall in the Town  
of Grand Junction, personate a  
Police Officer by wearing a star  
or badge or in any other man-  
ner, any person shall on con-  
viction thereof be fined not less  
than \$5<sup>00</sup> nor more than \$100<sup>00</sup>

Sec 2 If any person shall appear in  
any public place within this  
Town in a state of nudity or  
in a dress not belonging to his  
or her sex - or in an inde-  
cent or lewd dress, or shall  
make any indecent exposure  
of his or her person, or be  
guilty of any lewd or indecent  
act or behavior, or shall  
exhibit, sell or offer for sale  
any indecent or lewd book  
picture or other thing, or  
shall exhibit or perform  
any indecent immoral or  
lewd play or other sex  
representation, every such person  
on conviction shall be fined  
in a sum not less than  
Five dollars (\$5<sup>00</sup>) nor more than  
One Hundred Dollars (\$100<sup>00</sup>)  
(over)



Sec 3 If any person shall inhumanly, unnecessarily or cruelly beat, injure or otherwise abuse any dumb animal, every such person shall on conviction, be fined in a sum not less than Five Dollars (\$5<sup>00</sup>) nor more than Fifty Dollars (\$50<sup>00</sup>)

Sec 4 If any person shall be drunk or shall be in a state of intoxication in any highway, street, alley, thoroughfare or other public place within this Town, or shall be drunk and disorderly, in any private house or place, every such person shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined in a sum not less than two Dollars (\$2<sup>00</sup>) nor more than Fifty Dollars (\$50<sup>00</sup>). And the Town Marshal and all police officers, of said Town are hereby authorized and empowered, and it is hereby made their duty to arrest or cause to be arrested, with or without process, any person found violating the provisions of this section and commit such person to the Town Jail or other safe place in said Town until sober; at which time, or as soon thereafter as may be, such person shall be taken before the police



Magistrate to be dealt with according to Law

Sec 5 Any prostitute, courtesan or lewd woman who shall within the limits of this Town, by word, sign or action ~~show~~ her avocation upon the streets, or at any place, or at the door or open window of the house or room she may occupy, or make any public mention of herself upon the streets or in any public place in this Town, shall be deemed guilty, of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than Five Dollars (\$5<sup>00</sup>) nor more than Twenty Five Dollars (\$25<sup>00</sup>)

Sec 6 If any person shall keep, set up, maintain or open any beer-room, building, tent or other place of any description wherein Opium or other deleterious drugs are smoked or sold or given away to be smoked or used on the premises wherein the same are sold or given away, or shall be an inmate of, or shall be frequent or be found in, or shall be in any way connected with any such place, any such person shall on conviction be fined not less than Twenty Five Dollars (\$25<sup>00</sup>) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100<sup>00</sup>)



## Article 2

## Offenses Affecting Public Safety

Sec 1 If any person shall within this Town own or discharge any cannon, gun, howling piece, pistol or fire arms of any description, or explode or set off any combustible or explosive material without permission in writing from the Mayor (which permission shall limit the time & place of such firing and shall be subject to be revoked by the Town Board at any time after the same has been granted) Every such person shall on conviction be fined in a sum not less than One Dollar (\$1<sup>00</sup>) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100<sup>00</sup>) for each offense.

Sec 2 If any person shall immoderately ride or drive any horse or other animal in any Avenue, street, alley or lane within the limits of this town, every such person shall on conviction be fined in a sum not less than One Dollar (\$1<sup>00</sup>) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100<sup>00</sup>) And it is hereby made the duty of the Town Marshal and all police officers and it shall be lawful for



any citizen to stop any person who may be immoderately drinking or driving as aforesaid.

Sec 13 If any person shall see and or deliver within this town any deadly poison, knowing the same to be such, without marking the same in legible characters, "Poison", every such person shall on conviction be fined in a sum not exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.<sup>00</sup>)

Sec 14 Any person who shall engage in any sport or exercise likely to scare horses, injure passengers or embarrass the passage of vehicles shall on conviction be fined for each offense not less than Three Dollars (\$3.<sup>00</sup>) nor more than Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.<sup>00</sup>)

Sec 15 Any person who shall lean or keep open any cellar door, pit or vault or other subterranean opening on any highway or side walk, or shall suffer the same to be left or kept open or to be left or kept in an insecure condition so that passers by will be in danger of falling into such cellar, pit or vault or other subterraneous opening or who shall suffer any side walk in the front of the premises owned or occupied



by such person to become or continue so broken as to endanger life or limb, shall on conviction be fined in a sum not less than Three Dollars (\$3<sup>00</sup>) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100<sup>00</sup>)

Sec 6 In all cases of persons meeting each other in vehicles in any highway or thoroughfare or upon or near any bridge within this Town, each person so meeting shall in all cases turn off and go to the right side so as to enable each vehicle to pass without accident. Whoever shall violate this section shall be subject to a fine of not less than one Dollar (\$1<sup>00</sup>) nor more than Twenty Five Dollars (\$25<sup>00</sup>)

Sec 14 If any person or persons shall leave any horse mule or team standing in any of the Avenues, streets alleys or thoroughfares of this Town, without the same being securely fastened or guarded, such person or persons shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than Five (\$5<sup>00</sup>) nor more than One Hundred Dollars, and any Marshal or Police Officer finding any horse mule or team standing



in any such place without being so fastened or guarded is hereby authorized to take the same into his custody and remove the same to the police headquarters and then keep it until the owner or person in charge of the same shall call for it or to remove the same to the public pound, then to be dealt with according to the Ordinance of said Town - Concerning the running at large of certain animals.

§ Any person not being then and there an Officer in the proper exercise of his duty, as such who shall hereafter within the Corporate limits of the Town of Grand Junction carry concealed upon or about his person any pistol, gun, bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slung shot, stone, bludgeon, billy, metal knuckles, or any other deadly or dangerous weapon, or who shall within the limits of said town exhibit any such weapons in a rude, angry or threatening manner, or shall within the Corporate limits of said town have or carry any such weapons on or about his person when intoxicated or under the influence of intoxicating drinks, or who shall within the Corporate limits of said town directly or indirectly sell or deliver loan or barter any such weapons, to any person intoxicated or under the influence of intoxicating drinks, every such person on Conviction shall be fined in a sum not less than \$25<sup>00</sup> nor more than \$50<sup>00</sup>.

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Sec 9 It shall be the duty of any and all Police Officers of said town to arrest with or without process of law any and all persons violating any of the provisions of the foregoing section and take them before the Police Magistrate or other proper Officers or Officers in said town to be dealt with according to law -

### Art 3. Offences Affecting the Public Peace and Quiet

Sec 10 If any person shall within the limits of this Town make, countenance or assist in making any improper noise, or disturbances or breach of the peace by challenging any person to fight or by threatening to fight or fighting any person or by violent and tumultuous conduct, or shall use profane obscene or offensive language to any person in a manner calculated to provoke a breach of the peace, every such person shall on conviction be fined in a sum not less than Five Dollars nor more than One Hundred Dollars.

Sec 11 Any two or more persons who shall assemble together in this Town with an intent to do an unlawful act, or being assembled shall mutually agree to do an unlawful act, with force or violence, against the



property of the Deacon, or the person  
 or property of another, or against  
 the Peace, or to the terror of others,  
 or shall make any movement  
 or preparation therefor, and every  
 person present at such meeting or assembly  
 who shall not endeavor to  
 prevent the commission or per-  
 petration of such unlawful act,  
 shall on conviction be severally  
 fined in a sum not less than  
 Five Dollars nor more than Fifty  
 Dollars for each and every offence.

Sec 13 All persons who shall collect  
 in bodies or crowds for unlaw-  
 ful purposes or for any pur-  
 pose to the annoyance or distur-  
 bance of citizens or travelers,  
 shall on conviction be severally  
 subject to a fine of not less  
 than Five Dollars nor more than  
 Fifty Dollars.

Sec 14 If any person shall disquiet  
 or disturb any congregation, or  
 assembly met for religious  
 worship, or by making a  
 noise or by rude and in-  
 decent behavior, or profane  
 discourse within their place of wor-  
 ship - or so near the same as to  
 disturb the order and solemnity  
 of the meeting. Every such person  
 shall on conviction be fined in a  
 sum not less than Ten Dollars  
 nor more than One Hundred Dollars.



Sec 5 If any person shall disturb any lawful assemblage of people by rude or indecent behavior or in any other manner, every such person shall on conviction be fined in a sum not exceeding Fifty Dollars.

Sec 6. If any person shall wilfully give or make, or cause to be given or made a false alarm of fire every such person on conviction shall be fined in a sum not exceeding Twenty Five Dollars.

Sec 7 Any person who shall keep any common, illgoverned or disorderly house, or who shall suffer any drunkness, quarrelling, fighting or riots, or disorderly conduct whatever on his premises shall be subject on conviction to fine in any sum not less than Ten Dollars nor more than One Hundred Dollars. And if holding a licence from the Town, shall be subject on conviction to a forfeiture of his licence. To be entered in every case is a part of the judgement.

Sec 8 If any person shall assist or aid, or attempt to assist or aid, any person confined in the Town jail, or place wherein persons may be confined, for



violating Town Ordinances, to escape from such jail or place or place of confinement, the person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than Twenty Dollars nor more than One Hundred Dollars

Sec 9 If any person shall without the consent of the person in charge of the Town Jail or place wherein persons may be confined for violating Town Ordinances introduced into said jail or place of confinement or give to any person, either while in jail or while being conveyed to <sup>from said</sup> jail to any other place - any spirituous or malt liquors, or any tool, implement or other thing, such person shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than Twenty Five Dollars nor more than One Hundred Dollars.

Sec 10 Whenever the Town Marshal or any police officer shall make an arrest under this Ordinance it shall be the duty of the officer, making the arrest - to take from the person, so arrested any weapons found upon him at the time of such arrest, and retain the same until he shall have paid whatever fines &



costs, if any, shall have been  
judged against him

#### Art 4 Offences Affecting Streets And Property.

Sec 1 If any person or persons  
shall dig any hole, drain or  
ditch in any Avenue, street  
or alley in this Town  
without first having obtained  
written permission from the  
Mayor, every such person  
upon conviction shall forfeit  
and pay said Town a sum  
not less than Three Dollars  
nor more than Twenty Five  
Dollars.

Sec 2 If any person shall in part  
or tear up any sidewalk  
or pavement without due authority,  
every such person shall on con-  
viction forfeit and pay to this  
city a sum not less than  
Three Dollars nor more than  
Fifty Dollars.

Sec 3 If any person shall hinder  
or obstruct the making or  
repairing of any pavement,  
sidewalk or cross walk which is,  
or may be in course of  
construction, pursuant to any  
ordinance, resolution or order  
of the Board of Trustees or  
shall hinder or obstruct



any person employed by the Board of Trustees, or the person employed by him, in making or repairing any public improvement, or work ordered by the Board of Trustees. Every such person shall on conviction be fined for each offence in a sum not less than Ten Dollars nor than Fifty Dollars.

Sec 4 No Town officer, contractor or other person in this Town shall make any excavation, or dig any hole, drain or ditch in any highway or thoroughfare without providing during the night either sufficient lights or fence, or suitable obstruction around, or in front of the same in order to prevent persons, animals or vehicles from falling into the same, and every person violating against the provisions of this Section shall forfeit and pay to said Town for each offence a sum not less than Five Dollars nor more than Fifty Dollars.

Sec 5 Any person who shall wilfully, maliciously, or negligently, insert or pull down, or in any manner break, any lamp post, bracket, gas lamp, or hydrant in this Town, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be subject to a fine of not less than One Dollar nor more than One



Sec 6 Hundred Dollars for each offence.

No persons shall throw stones or other missiles at or against, or in any way deface or injure, the windows or walls or other parts of any building, whether occupied or unoccupied within the Town of Grand Junction, or in any way or manner injure any awning, awning part, or fence or inclosure, or other improvements of any character whatever, whether private or public property, or fill up or obstruct or otherwise damage any ditch or ditches, lawfully constructed in said Town, and any person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof, shall be fined in a sum not less than Five Dollars nor more than One Hundred Dollars for each offence.

Sec 7 If any person shall hitch or fasten any horse or other animal to any lamp post of this Town or to any ornamental fence or railing or to ornamental or shade tree or shall injure or destroy any ornamental or shade tree, shrub, fence or railing in or upon any public ground, street, alley or other public



place or upon any private premises without permission of the owner or shall for the purpose of advertising any business, or for any other cause whatever place any writing or printing, or other device upon any of the lamps or lamp posts of this Town, every such person shall on conviction be fined in a sum not less than Two Dollars nor more than One Hundred Dollars.

Sec 8 If any person shall injure deface or destroy, or assist in injuring, defacing or destroying any bridge or its appurtenances or any fire engine house or any other public building, or property belonging to the Town - every such person shall on conviction be fined in a sum not exceeding One Hundred Dollars and shall be subject to the payment of all damages.

Sec 9 It shall be the duty of the Town Marshal and all police officers of this Town to report all violations of this Ordinance to the Mayor for prosecution.

Sec 10. All nuisances prohibited by this ordinance shall be abated and removed as provided in the ordinance on nuisances, provided that the Mayor or



said Town may, if he shall deem it necessary, for the public safety remove and abate such nuisances, summarily - without notice, in such manner as he may deem best -

Sec 11

An Ordinance entitled "An act entitled an Ordinance concerning misdemeanors" Approved Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1882, and an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance concerning Plum Joints" approved Aug 6<sup>th</sup> 1883, and all Ordinances & parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Approved August 20<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1883

W J Miles  
Mayor  
W P. Quinn  
Recorder