

ORDINANCE NO. 19.

An Ordinance Concerning Water Works.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the city of Grand Junction:

ARTICLE I. REGULATION.

SECTION 1. No person shall wrongfully use, nor willfully permit others, who have no permit from the water company, to use, water from any hydrant or pipe within the limits of the city of Grand Junction, nor shall he permit any unnecessary waste therefrom, nor cause or negligently suffer or permit water to run to waste from such hydrant or pipe.

SEC. 2. No person shall without lawful authority open any fire plug, gate, stop-cock or valve, or any other fixture appertaining to the water works, or let on or shut off water into or from any pipe, without lawful authority.

SEC. 3. No person shall throw or cast any substance into any reservoir, stream, trench, pipe, drain, valve, box or stop box used in and necessary for the construction, maintenance or operation of such water works, which substances shall tend to fill up such reservoir or to fill up or obstruct any such stream, trench, pipe, drain or boxes, nor shall he throw or cast into any such place any filthy or other substance, that shall tend to pollute the water therein.

SEC. 4. No person shall throw or cast into the stream or source from which such water is taken, within this city or for five miles above the point from which such water is taken, any filthy or other substance which shall pollute or tend to pollute the water therein.

SEC. 5. No person shall injure or deface or impair any part of, or appurtenance to, such water works.

SEC. 6. Whenever an alarm of fire is given, it shall be the duty of all persons then using water from any hydrant or pipe to immediately shut such water off and to cease its use during the continuance of such fire.

SEC. 7. It shall be the duty of the superintendent or acting manager of the Grand Junction Water Company, in all cases where an alarm of fire shall be given, to at once cause the gate or valve connecting the mains or pipes of the water works with the stand pipe, to be closed or shut off, so as to give direct pump pressure to the fire plugs. In case he or they shall neglect or refuse so to do, the chief engineer of the fire department may cause the same to be done, using such force as may be necessary.

SEC. 8. Any superintendent or acting manager of said water company, neglecting or refusing to perform the duty enjoined upon him by the preceding section, or any person violating any of the provisions of this article shall, on conviction, be fined in a sum not less than two dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each offense.

ARTICLE II. PLUMBERS.

SECTION 1. No person or persons shall lay any water pipes or make any connection with or tap the water mains in this city, unless such person be a duly licensed plumber, under the provisions of this article, and shall also have received a permit from the superintendent or other authorized officer of the water company owning or controlling such water mains.

SEC. 2. Any person, firm or association, carrying on a plumbing business in this city, may procure a license to lay water pipes and make connections with the water mains, by making application therefor to the city council, which application shall be accompanied by a bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, with two or more sufficient sureties to be approved by said city council, payable to the city of Grand Junction, and conditioned for the faithful observance of all ordinances of the city concerning plumbers, and for the payment of all damages for which the city may become liable or which may be occasioned to any person or persons, by reason of any negligence or unskillfulness or improper performance of any work in connection with the laying of pipes, replacing of pavements on side walks, or the tapping or making connection with the water

mains, which bond may be sued upon by any person, company or corporation sustaining any such damage, in the name of said city for the use of the person so damaged. Upon filing such application and bond and the approval thereof by said city council, and the payment into the city treasury by such applicant of a license fee of five dollars, such license shall issue for the term of one year.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the superintendent or other officer in charge of the affairs of the water works company, to issue to any licensed plumber a permit to tap or make connection with the water main or mains of such company, whenever such licensed plumber shall present a written request for the same, describing the premises intended to be supplied with water through such tap or connection, which permit shall be given without fee or charge. In case such permit shall be refused when so applied for or shall not be issued within twenty four hours from the time application shall be made herefor as above set forth, then such plumber may proceed at once, to make such tap or con-

nection as though a permit had issued; but in all cases such plumber shall upon the completion of such work shut the water off from such premises, by a stop-box or other proper device, and leave the same so shut off, unless otherwise instructed by such water works company.

SEC. 4. Any license issued under the provisions of this article, may be revoked by the city council, whenever it is satisfied that the licensee is incompetent, or has been guilty of any carelessness or negligence in the performance of any work under said license.

SEC. 5. Every licensed plumber shall, as soon as practicable, replace and repair all pavements, sidewalks, streets, avenues and alleys removed or disturbed by him in the performance of any work under such license, to the satisfaction of the street commissioner; and as soon as the ground which may have been removed or disturbed by him shall have settled, he shall again fill up or grade all holes or depressions caused by such settling, to the street level.

SEC. 6. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this article, shall on conviction be fined in a sum not less than three dollars nor more than three hundred dollars.

Passed this 26th day of September A. D., 1891.

EDWARD W. GANNON,
Temporary President.

Attest: FRANK McCLINTOCK,
City Clerk, Pro Tem.

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