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ORDINANCE NO. 65

AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE OFFICE OF WATER SUPERINTENDENT, PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT AND SALARY THEREOF AND PROVIDING FOR FIXING, REGULATING AND CONTROLLING THE USE AND PRICE OF THE WATER SUPPLIED BY THE MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS: AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Granite Falls, Washington:

Section 1: That there is hereby created the office of Water Superintendent of the Town of Granite Falls, Washington.

Section 2: The Water Superintendent shall be appointed by the Mayor and shall office during the pleasure of the Mayor.

Section 3: It shall be the duty of the Water Superintendent to have general charge and supervision of the municipal water system; to supervise the installation of and to inspect all service pipes fixtures and plumbing connected with the town mains, and to see that the same are installed and maintained in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed therefor; to issue permits for tapping the municipal water mains; to turn water on and off; to impose and notify the Town Treasurer of all fines or penalties for violations of the provisions of this ordinance; and he shall each month file with the Council a full and complete report for the preceding month.

Section 4: For the performance of his duties the Water Superintendent shall receive a salary of \$5.00 per month.

Section 5: All applications for the use of water must be made to the Water Superintendent on printed forms to be furnished for that purpose. Every such application must be signed by the owner of the property to be served or his authorized agent and the applicant must state fully and truly all the purposes for which the water may be required and must agree to conform to the rules and regulations established from time to time for the use of water.

Section 6: No person, firm or corporation supplied with water from the municipal mains shall be entitled to use it for any purpose other than these stated in the application or to supply other persons therewith.

Section 7: That should the applicant or occupant of the premises desire an additional service or fixture for which extra charge is provided hereby or to apply the water for a purpose not stated in the original application, a new application must be made and a permit obtained at the office of the Water Superintendent. When such additional fixtures are added without permit being first obtained, the same shall be charged for at double the usual rate for such time as such fixture is in use prior to the granting of a permit therefor in addition to a penalty of \$1.00.

Section 8: Should it be desired to discontinue the use of water for any special purpose for which an extra charge is herein provided, the faucet or other fixture must be removed, the pipe supplying such service plugged and notice given in writing at the office of the Water Superintendent before any reduction of rates will be made.

~~Section 9: Should it be desired to discontinue the use of all waters supplied to the premises for a period of not less than one month written notice must be fixed at the office of the Water Superintendent which notice shall be on printed forms provided for that purpose and payment in full of all arrearage must first be made. The water will then be turned off and turned on again on application without charge but no remission of rates will be made for a period of less than thirty days or without the notice prescribed in this section. All notices of vacancy must be filed on or before the 10th day of each month otherwise no allowance will be granted.~~

Section 10: That the service pipes must be so arranged that the supply to each separate house and premises may be controlled by a separate stop cock placed within and near the line of the street curb and one person, firm or corporation must pay for all water used through said service for his, its or their own use, or for the use of others to whom it may be accessible or who may be supplied therefrom. All service pipes now in use having no separate stop cock as above provided shall be provided with the same within thirty days from the publication of this ordinance.

Section 12: Street and sidewalk sprinkling must be confined to the limits of the front of the property for which payment has been made.

Section 13: The use of water for irrigation or sprinkling is prohibited except between the hours of 7 and 8 a.m. and 7 and 8 p.m. provided that street sprinkling may be done at any hour. For violation of this regulation a penalty of \$2.00 shall be imposed and taxed against the person supplied with the service used in such irrigation or sprinkling and the water shall be turned off until the same is paid. Not more than one faucet or hose shall be used for irrigation at the same time from the same service or for the same premises, unless payment for such additional faucet or hose shall have been made in advance and for violation of this regulation a fine or penalty of \$2.50 shall be imposed and taxed as above provided. When the water shall have been off for violation of this section it shall under no circumstances be turned on to the same property until such penalty has been paid. Permission for the use of more than one faucet or set of hose for irrigation on the same premises shall be granted only in the discretion of the Water Superintendent. The irrigation season shall include only the months of May 15 to September 15.

Section 14: The water may at any time be shut off from the mains without notice for repairs, extensions or other necessary purposes, and persons having boilers supplied by direct pressure from the mains shall have no action for damages against the Town by reason therefor in case of collapse or explosion of the same. The Town will not be responsible for the safety of boilers on the premises of any water consumer.

Section 15: Water will not be furnished where there are defective or leaking faucets, closets, or other fixtures and when same may be discovered the water will be shut off until the proper repairs have been made.

Section 16: When a permit has been obtained for tapping the municipal mains, the service pipes and connections from the mains to and including the stop cock to be placed one foot within the line of the street curb will be put in and maintained by the Town and kept within its exclusive control.

Section 17: Within the property line a stop and waste cock protected from frost must in all places be placed by means of which the service pipes on the property may be drained. The Superintendent shall refuse to turn on the water until the provisions of this section are complied with.

Section 18: The service pipes within the premises must be kept in repair and protected by freezing at the

expense of the owner or occupant who will be responsible for all damages resulting from leaks and breaks.

Section 19: If any person shall allow any faucet or pipe to run open thus wasting water a charge of \$2.00 shall be imposed for each offense which shall be taxed against the person supplied through such service and the water shall be turned off from the premises and shall in no case be turned on again until the charge has been paid.

Section 20: No plumber or other person will be allowed to make connection with the municipal mains or make connection in any conduit, pipe or other fixture connecting therewith or to connect pipes when they have been disconnected, or to turn water off or on any premises without permission from the Water Superintendent.

Section 21: None but competent plumbers shall be allowed to do any work in connection with any service where water may be drawn from the municipal mains and all plumbers must make in writing a true and accurate report of the work done within twenty four hours after completion and before water shall be turned on. He shall describe the position of the service pipes, stop cocks and other fixtures outside of buildings by reference to street and lot corners on blanks to be furnished by the Water Superintendent.

Section 22: Plumbers failing to perform their work according to the established rules and regulations or executing it unskillfully or to the damage of the municipal water works, may be debarred from making connection with the mains.

Section 23: The Water Superintendent may have free access at proper hours of the day to all parts of buildings in which water may be delivered from the municipal mains for the purpose of inspecting the condition of the pipes and fixtures and the manner in which the water is used.

Section 24: All water rates shall be charged against the property on which it is furnished and against the owner thereof and in no case shall it be turned onto any property from which it may have been turned off by reason of any sums owing thereof becoming delinquent until all of such delinquencies shall have been paid in full. No change of ownership or occupation shall affect the application of this section. All accounts for water shall be kept in the name of the owner of the property and not in the name of any tenant and the owner only shall be held responsible for water rates.

Section 25: On failure to comply with the rules and regulations established as a condition to the use of water to pay the water rates or any charge or penalty imposed in the time and manner herein provided, the water shall be shut off until payment of the amount due is made with 50 cents in addition for the expense of turning the water off and on.

Section 26: Should the occupants of the premises turn on the water or suffer or cause it to be turned on after it has been shut off at the curb cock it will be turned off at the main and a charge of \$2.00 made for the expense of turning it off and on.

Section 27: All water rates shall be due and payable in advance at the office of the Town Treasurer on the first day of each month except for water furnished by meter in which case the rates are payable on the first day of the succeeding month, and if not paid within five days thereafter the water will be shut off from the premises as herein before provided; the Water Superintendent may require payment in advance or satisfactory security for all water to be furnished by meter, and if payment be not made or security furnished within the times fixed by the Water Superintendent water will be shut off from the premises.

Section 28: The Town reserves the right in case of shortage of water or for any other cause to make any order forbidding or suspending the use of water for irrigating or sprinkling and the Water Superintendent may in his discretion at any time make such order by giving notice through a newspaper printed and published in the Town and any person violating such order shall be subject to a charge of \$2.00 for the first offense and \$5.00 for each subsequent offense which shall be a charge against the person and premises supplied and the water shall be cut off until payment shall have been made.

Section 29: No person shall use any water for irrigation or sprinkling during the progress of any fire in the Town and all sprinkling and irrigation shall be immediately stopped when an alarm of fire is sounded and shall not be begun again until the fire has been extinguished.

Section 30: The inside diameter of hose used for sprinkling or irrigation purposes must not be more than three quarters of an inch and the inside diameter of the orifice of the nozzle to the same shall not be more than one fourth inch. The use of a hose without a nozzle is prohibited.

Any person violating this rule shall be subject to a penalty of \$2.50 and the water shall be cut off and shall not be turned on to the premises again until such charge shall have been paid.

Section 31: No black iron pipe shall be used to connect any premises or buildings with the municipal mains for any purpose.

Section 32: The monthly rates for the use of water shall be as follows:

Residence including bath and toilet	\$1.00
Saloons	\$3.00
Restaurant	\$3.00
Lodging House	\$3.00
Lodging House and Restaurant	
Combined	\$5.00
Mercantile Establishments	\$1.50
Livery barns	\$6.00
Schools	\$1.00
Offices	\$1.00
Photo galleries	\$1.00
Halls	\$1.00
Barber shops	\$1.00

One tub \$1.00; each additional tub 75 cents

Blacksmiths \$1.00

Bakery same as mercantile Establishment.

Slaughter house, \$3.00; lay own pipe.

Laundry, flat rate \$4.00

Meat market, same as mercantile establishments.

Residence and business combined, pay business rate only.

Meter rates - Minimum \$1.00 up to 1,500 cubic feet, 12 1/2 cents per hundred; 1,500 to 30,000, 8 cents per hundred; 30,000 and up, 6 cents per hundred.

J. A. MOORE, Mayor

ATTEST:

H. E. JEWELL,
Town Clerk

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