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WATER ORDINANCES.

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the city of Mount Airy that the Water Works System owned by the city shall be under control of the Board of Commissioners, and the duty of securing and enforcing a full compliance with all rules and regulations governing all connections with the mains, and all other matters pertaining in any wise to said waterworks, shall be vested in the aforesaid Board, or their duly authorized agent who is Superintendent of Water Works.

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SEC. 2. Parties desiring connections made with the city water mains shall make application, upon form furnished by him, to the Superintendent of Water Works, stating for what purpose the water is to be used, and all applications shall be filed by him and held as a contract binding the applicant to take the water for a term not less than twelve months, (unless otherwise agreed) and to pay the city the established rates as set forth in this book. Additional applications must be filled up and properly signed for any fixture or faucet added to the original job of plumbing, and shall be made a part of the original permit. In case of wilful misrepresentation on the part of applicant, or any unreasonable waste of water, the city reserves the right to cut off the supply, and assess the applicant with an additional cost, same to conform with the rates published.

SEC. 3. The city reserves the exclusive privilege of tapping the water main for any and all connections, and will extend all service pipes to the curbing where a stop-box will be placed over a stop-cock, all of which shall be under the exclusive control of the city, and remain their property. No person shall be allowed to turn the water off or on at this box, except the Superintendent, and any handling, trifling or interfering with these

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boxes, or any other part or parts of the plant belonging to the city, will be dealt with in accordance with law.

SEC. 4. Each service pipe shall be provided with a stop-cock and waste pipe, to be located on the premises supplied, so that water may be turned off to prevent freezing or bursting of pipes, or in case of accident to house pipes.

SEC. 5. Water will not be turned on to any premises until the Superintendent, or his duly authorized agent, has inspected the plumbing and fixtures, and found them to be in proper condition.

SEC. 6. All water rents shall be paid quarterly in advance, at the office of the Superintendent on the first day of January, April and October of each and every year. Fractional parts of the year shall be collected to the first day of either of the above mentioned months next ensuing, payable on demand. And in case the rent is not paid before the 5th day of said months, the Superintendent shall give such delinquent 5 days notice, in writing, at the expiration of which time, if rent is not paid, he shall have the water shut off from such premises until the rent shall have been paid in full, and, in addition, a charge of \$1.00 for cutting off and turning on water. Rents for metered or esti-

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mated water will be payable quarterly, and for building, or occasional use, on demand.

SEC. 7. No person except the Superintendent, Chief of Fire Department or Street Commissioner, discharging official duties in so doing, shall take water from any public fire hydrant, plug, street washer, draw cock, hose pipe or fountain (except for fire purposes or use of fire department). Nor shall anyone in anyway use or take water for private use, until such person shall first pay for the priviledge, and receive the usual permit from the Superintendent to do so.

SEC. 8. The Superintendent, or such other person authorized by him or the Board of Commissioners, shall be authorized to enter, and have free access at all reasonable hours, to premises for the purpose of ascertaining the location or condition of hydrant-pipe or other fixtures attached to said pipe, and in case such person finds that the water is wasted on account of negligence, for want of repairs, or for any improper cause, and if such waste is not immediately remedied, the water leading to such premises shall be turned off, and shall not be turned on again until such repairs are made, and the sum of \$1.00 paid for turning on the water.

SEC. 9. Every plumber, within twenty-four hours after having set up any pipes,

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water-cocks, or other fixtures, or having made any additions or alterations to any pipes, cocks or other fixtures already set up, shall make a correct return to the Superintendent in writing, with a diagram descriptive of the work done, stating the ordinary as well as the special uses to which the water is to be applied, in order that proper knowledge of the amount of water used upon the premises may be obtained therefrom. Any failure to comply with the above, will work a forfeiture of his license at once.

SEC. 10. In no case will service pipes be allowed to run across lots—that is from one lot to another—but must be taken from the main in front of the premises, or some point adjacent thereto, unless consent be first obtained from the Superintendent.

SEC. 11. The city reserves the right at any time to shut off the water in the mains in case of accident, or for the purpose of making connections, alterations or repairs, and it shall be the duty of the Superintendent to cause notice to be given to all consumers in the district to be shut off, except in case of accident, in which case the water will be shut off without notice.

SEC. 12. All service pipe must be laid two feet deep, and not within three feet of any open area or vault. The stop and flow

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of waste of all out-door hydrants must not be less than two feet below the surface of the ground.

SEC. 13. Persons occupying adjoining lots may join in obtaining permits, in which case a single service pipe may be laid to the curb line and divided, giving each person an independent service or stop.

SEC. 14. Persons taking water must keep their service pipe, and all fixtures connected therewith, in good repair and protected from frost at their expense, and must prevent all unnecessary waste of water, under penalty of having the water shut off.

SEC. 15. No consumer shall permit others, not members of his or her family, to use water from his or her pipe or hydrant, or make connections in any manner whatever therewith. Any violation of this rule will subject both renter and the person or persons obtaining the water to a fine of \$2.00 each for each and every offense proven.

SEC. 16. The city will look direct to the owners of all property in which the water pipes are run, for the entire rent for water furnished the premises, aggregating the bills of all consumers and presenting them to the owners for payment.

SEC. 17. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to serve written or printed notices

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on the owners of the property occupied by tenants, of the failure of such tenant or tenants to pay the water rents, and the city will look to said owners for payment.

SEC. 18. Hydrants, taps, water closets, urinals, baths, or other fixtures not otherwise contracted for, will not be allowed to be kept running, except when in actual use, unless the water shall first pass through a meter.

SEC. 19. Use of street sprinklers is limited to one hour each day.

SEC. 20. In cases where the water is turned off for non-payment of water rent, or for other causes, or when, in the opinion of the Superintendent, the turning off of the water at the stopcock is not sufficient protection against the further use of water, he may cause the Corporation cock to be withdrawn.

SEC. 21. Upon application for water where the same has been turned off and the cock has been withdrawn, an additional charge of \$3.00 for re-inserting it will be made.

SEC. 22. Applicants desiring attachments of larger diameter than prescribed in these regulations, for the purpose of controlling a large quantity of water in a short space of time, will be required to pay, on demand, all extra cost of such attachment above that of an ordinary service, and will have to sustain the expense of any approved meter of proper size


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for the measurement of water consumed, and shall then pay metre rates.

SEC. 23. If proprietors of lumber yards, manufactories, halls, or public buildings, regular consumers of water, wish to lay a large pipe with hydrant or hose coupling, to be used in case of fire only, they will be permitted to connect with the street mains at their own expense, and will be allowed the use of water, for fire only, at the rate of \$30.00 per hydrant per annum.

SEC. 24. Yard fountains will not be permitted to flow longer than four hours per day, without a meter.

SEC. 25. In sprinkling streets, each water taker must confine himself to the front of his premises.

SEC. 26. Nozzles larger than one-eighth of an inch will not be permitted, except upon additional charge, and sprinkling without nozzle is forbidden.

Sec. 27. If a street washer, sprinkler, or hose is found out of order, leaking, or used for any other purpose than that for which it was intended, the water supply will be cut off without notice.

Sec. 28. It is expressly stipulated by and between the city and the water takers that no claims shall be made against the city on account of the bursting or breaking of any

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main or service pipe, or any attachment to said waterworks, or for any accidental failure in the supply of water.

Sec. 29. No water will be supplied to any consumer, per year, less than \$6.00.

Sec. 30. During the progress of any fire within the city limits, all fountains, street and lawn sprinklers, and motors must be cut off.

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RATES PER ANNUM:

Water will be furnished to consumers at the following annual rates, payable quarterly in advance, as provided in Section 6.

Banks, one self closing faucet	\$ 8.00
Banks, with hose connection and one wash basin	10.00
Bakeries, one self closing faucet	8.00
Barber Shops, one chair, self closing faucet	6.00
Barber Shops, each additional chair	1.00
Bath, public, one tub	8.00
Bath, hotel and boarding house, one faucet	6.00
Bath, private, one tub	3.00
Bath, private, each additional tub	2.00
Blacksmith Shop, one forge	6.00
Blacksmith Shop, each additional forge	1.00
Butchers shop or stall	6.00
Bar and drinking saloons, two self closing faucets	25.00
Bar and drinking saloons, one self closing faucet	20.00
Breweries, distilleries and rectifying establishments, special or meter rate.	
Bottling establishments, \$15.00 and up.	
Billiard saloons, one table, one fixture	6.00
Billiard saloons, each additional table	2.00
Boilers, steam, under 10 H. P., per H. P.	1.50
Boilers, steam, over 10 H. P. meter required.	
Boarding houses, per room \$1.00, provided no rate less than	10.00
Building purposes, brick per 1,000 laid	.10
Carpenters shops	6.00
Candy shop, (manufacturing)	6.00
Cigar factory, five hands or under	6.00
Cigar factory, each additional hand	.50

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Churches.....	\$ 3.00
Dentists.....	8.00
Drove Horses, or cattle lot.....	20.00
Drug stores.....	6.00
Drug stores with soda fountain.....	12.00
Fountains, flowing not exceeding four hours per day:	
Fountains, orifice 1-8 inch.....	10.00
Fountains, orifice 3-16 inch.....	16.00
Fountains, orifice 1-4 inch.....	40.00
Fountains, orifice 5-16 inch.....	60.00
Hotels, per room \$1.00, provided no rate less than.....	10.00
Halls, theatres and opera houses.....	6.00
Ice cream saloons.....	6.00
Laundries and washwomen.....	\$10.00 to 15.00
Livery stables must use meters.	
Lawns: Sprinkling lawns 1-8 inch nozzle, four hours or less per day.....	3.00
Manufactories: All factories, mills, etc., using over 10 H. P. steam, must use meters.	
Machine shops, six hands or less.....	6.00
Machine shops, each additional hand.....	.50
Offices, one self closing faucet.....	6.00
Photographic studios.....	6.00
Printing offices.....	8.00
Public schools (each) one self closing faucet.....	20.00
Restaurants, one self closing faucet.....	10.00
Residences, one faucet.....	5.00
Residences, each additional faucet.....	1.00
Sanitariums, per room \$1.00, provided no rate less than.....	10.00
Stables, private, including washing carriages:	
Stables, one horse.....	2.00
Stables, two horses.....	3.00
Stables, each additional horse.....	1.00
Stables, each cow.....	1.00
Stores, one self closing faucet.....	6.00
Sprinklers, for store fronts, restricted to thirty feet front.....	2.00
Soda fountains, (continual flow extra).....	8.00
Plastering per one hundred yards, three coats or less.....	.50
Urinals, public, one faucet.....	6.00
Urinals, private one self closing faucet.....	2.00
Water closets, public, one self closing faucet.....	5.00
Water closets, private, one stool self closing faucet.....	3.00
Water closets, each additional stool.....	2.00
Warehouses, one self closing faucet, one automatic trough.....	25.00

METER RATES

100 to 1000 gallons per day, at rate per 1000.....	\$ 2.50
1000 to 4000 " " " " " " " ".....	3.00
4000 to 8000 " " " " " " " ".....	3.50
Over 8000 " " " " " " " ".....	Special Rates 4.00

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The city shall have the privilege of putting in a water meter and charging for water at meter rates, at any time.

The connection between the main and the curb shall be made at the expense of the city.

No reduction for frozen pipe, or absence, unless notice is given at the office and the water ordered cut off. So long as the water is on you stand upon our book as consumer. If you fail to report you must pay for the neglect.

SPECIAL.—No water will be furnished for Lawns or Garden sprinkling, Bath Tubs, Water Closets, or washing Horses or Buggies to those using water for domestic purposes, except by special arrangements. Water Rents **MUST BE PAID QUARTERLY** in **ADVANCE** at the Superintendent's office.

Nothing but galvanized pipe will be allowed to be use.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Rules and Regulations of Electric Light Plant.

Sec. 1. All matters pertaining to the use, rentals and placing of electric lights shall be under direction of the Mayor, Board of Commissioners of the city or their authorized representative, the Superintendent of the water and light plant.

Sec. 2. The city agrees to do all wiring from main line to inside switch at nearest accessible point, without expense to renters.

Sec. 3. All wiring is to be done under the exclusive direction of the Superintendent of the plant, and the city engages to do same in strict conformity with all requirements of the South Eastern Tariff Association.

Sec. 4. All inside wiring and fixtures to be paid for by renters.

Sec. 5. All rents are due and payable the first day of each month in advance, at office of Superintendent, and if payments are not made by the fifth day of each month, the Superintendent will give five days notice, at expiration of which the wires will be cut, if not paid for.

Sec. 6. Failure on the part of any renter or renters to comply with regulations governing burning of lights in accordance with limited contract, will subject said renter or renters to all night rates.

Sec. 7. All applications for lights shall be made to the Superintendent in writing, and shall be held to bind the applicant in accordance with the printed terms therein set forth.

Sec. 8. No changes or alterations of inside wiring shall be permitted unless by consent, and under direction, of the Superintendent.

Sec. 9. A certificate must be furnished the Superintendent's office for discontinuance, otherwise the rent or rates will go on

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unchanged until such certificate is furnished.

Sec. 10. It is distinctly understood that the city will not be liable for any damages or damage suits arising from any improper tampering with or interruption of the electric current for any purpose whatever.

Sec. 11. It is understood that the city will not be liable for any damages that may result to consumers from the shutting off or interruption of electric current for any purpose whatever, even in cases where no notice is given, and no deduction from electric current bills will be allowed therefor.

Schedule of Rate for Electric Current:

	EACH LIGHT PER MONTH:
1 Light, 16 candle power, 11 P. M.40
2 Lights, 16 candle power, 11 P. M.70
Over 2, 16 candle power, 11 P. M.33 1-3

METER RATES: 10c. Per Kilo Watt.

The city reserves the right, and grants the same to any consumer, to attach a meter to any lights any time, and then settle by meter rates.

Churches at half rates.

Lodges, Halls, Opera Houses, etc., special rate.

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