

ORDINANCE NO. 1318

CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 2 SECTION 218 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GIRARD, KANSAS IS HEREBY REPEALED AND AMENDED.

CITY OF GIRARD IS HEREBY AMENDED BY ADDING CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 230 PERTAINING TO ACCESSING CITY WATER METER PITS AND ALL EQUIPMENT LOCATED THEREIN AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS TO THESE PROVISIONS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GIRARD, KANSAS:

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Section 1. Prohibited Acts.

It shall be a violation of this article for any unauthorized person to

- (a) Perform any work upon the pipes or appurtenances of the city's waterworks system beyond the meter unless such person is employed by the city.
- (b) Make any connections with any extension of the supply pipes of any consumer without written permission to do so having been first obtained from the governing body;
- (c) Remove, handle or otherwise molest or disturb any meter, meter lid, cutoff, or any other appurtenances to the water system of the city, with the exception of emergency shutoff of water supply to prevent imminent damage to a structure.
 - a. Damage to meter or any other City equipment in the meter pit, including the lid will be the responsibility of the customer and assessed on the next billing cycle.
 - b. In the event a meter has to be shut off to protect a customer's property, it will be required that a whole-house shutoff be installed on the customer's side of the line after the meter to prevent customer from having to access inside the pit in the future.
- (d) With prior authorization from the Director of Public Works, a licensed and permitted plumber performing work outside of the City's normal business hours may access a meter pit in order to shut off the water supply.
 - a. Authorization may be denied to a plumber who has a history of causing damage to City property.
 - b. Authorization may be denied to a plumber who has, at any point in time, accessed a meter pit without obtaining proper authorization from the Director of Public Works.
 - c. Outside of normal business hours, authorization may be obtained by contacting the Fire Department.
 - d. Authorization will only be granted once per property. Property owner will be required to install a shutoff valve on the customer's side of the line once an authorization to access the meter pit is granted.

“The code of the City of Girard is hereby amended by adding a section (or article or chapter) which reads as follows:(the new provisions shall be set out in full).”

THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GIRARD IS HEREBY AMENDED BY ADDING CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 230.

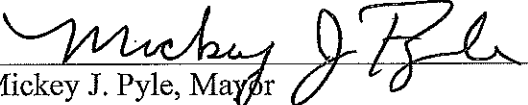
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Section 2. Violations and Penalties.

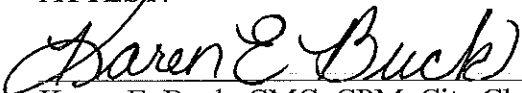
Any person, firm, or corporation violating the provisions of this chapter shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of no less than \$50.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication according to law.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26TH DAY OF NOVEMBER.


Mickey J. Pyle, Mayor

ATTEST:


Karen E. Buck, CMC, CPM, City Clerk