

ORDINANCE NO. 134

An Ordinance for the protection of public sewers, providing for the making of connections therewith, and prescribing penalties, and repealing Ordinance No. 57.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF COUPEVILLE, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Ordinance No. 57 of the Town of Coupeville is hereby repealed.

CONNECTIONS, HOW UNLAWFUL

Section 1. No person shall make any connection with, or in any manner obstruct or interfere with any public sewer or drain except as hereinafter provided.

WHAT TO BE CONNECTED

Section 2. Every dwelling house, hotel, apartment or tenement house, factory, store, or other building in which sanitary plumbing arrangements have been or are to be placed, shall be connected with the public sewer when such sewer is provided, and, when such sewer is not provided, with a septic tank and dry well or septic and tile drain field.

WHAT NOT TO BE CONNECTED

Section 3. No drain, downspout, storm water collection system, cesspool, septic tank, privy vault or any such waters shall be connected with the public sanitary sewer.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF TOWN ENGINEER

Section 4. The Town Engineer is hereby empowered, and is hereby instructed in all cases where there is a public sewer in any street or public way in the Town of Coupeville, to compel every owner or occupant of lands, buildings, or premises situated within the limit intended to be drained by such public sewer, to connect, or cause to be connected, a sufficient sewer or drain pipe in the manner hereinafter required which shall connect such lands, buildings, or premises with such nearest accessible public sewer.

MATERIALS TO BE USED

Section 5. The material used in the construction of such private sewer shall be substantially like that used in the public sewers with which connection is made. The following types of sewer pipe are permitted to be used: concrete, vitrified clay, cast iron,

or approved fiber pipe.
cement asbestos/. All sewer lines on public property are to have a minimum diameter of six inches with the exception of cast iron which may be four inches.

PROPERTY OWNER TO CONSTRUCT DRAIN, WHEN

Section 6. The Town Engineer shall have power in all cases where there is a public sewer in any public way to cause every owner of land situated within the limits described in Section 4 of this Ordinance, his or her agent, or tenant, to make a sufficient drain from his or her house, lot or premises connecting with such sewer, whenever, in the opinion of the Town Engineer, the same may be necessary; and said officer shall thereupon give such owner, agent, or tenant, notice in writing, specifying the time that such drain must be completed, providing such time shall not exceed sixty (60) days, and if such owner, agent, or tenant shall fail or neglect to complete the same in the time specified, the said officer shall cause the drain to be constructed and the amount paid for the construction of the same shall be assessed against the premises so drained, and the amount thereof shall constitute a lien upon said premises, so drained, and such assessment may be collected and the lien enforced by suit in the name of the Town, or any officer, contractor or contractors to whom it shall have directed payment to be made, in an court of competent jurisdiction.

REPAIR OF DRAINS

Section 7. When any private drain-pipe connected with the public sewer becomes obstructed, broken, or out of order, the Town Engineer shall, if the owner, agent or tenant of such premises fails to repair the same after two days notice so to do, cause such drain pipe to be removed, reconstructed, repaired, altered or cleaned as he may deem expedient, at the expense of the owner, agent or occupant of such premises as aforesaid, to be collected in the manner provided in the preceding section of the Ordinance.

NO CONNECTION WITHOUT PERMIT, AND THEN ONLY BY BONDED PERSON

Section 8. No person/^{firm or corporation} shall connect with or open or penetrate a

public sewer without first obtaining a permit in writing from the Town Engineer as hereinafter provided, and no person shall be granted a permit for sewer work in the public roads and right of way, if he has been previously convicted of a violation of this Ordinance, and unless and until that person has filed in the office of the Town Clerk a Bond in the sum of \$1,000.00 with one or more responsible sureties, (to be approved by the Mayor) conditioned that he will indemnify and save harmless the Town of Coupeville from all suits, accidents, and damages for or by reason of any opening in said street, or public way and that he will pay to Town any and all damages to such sewers as shall result from carelessness or want of skill in him or those in his employ, in making any connection with any public sewer which he at any time makes or attempts to make for any person or persons whomsoever, and that he will also replace and restore the street or public way to as good a state and condition as at the time of the commencement of the said work to the satisfaction of the Town Engineer, and shall conform in all respects to the rules and regulations of the Town, and further that he file with the Town evidence that he carries Public Liability Insurance in the amount of \$20,000.00 for any one accident and \$5,000.00 Property Damage Insurance covering him in this type of work.

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Section 9. Application for permits must be made by the owner or party employed to do the work, and must state the location of the sewer, name of the owner or occupant of the premises, the number of ~~the~~ buildings to be connected, and how they are occupied. No person shall extend any private sewer beyond the limits of the buildings or property for which the permit has been given. The Town Engineer shall provide appropriate application forms, and he shall have the power to prescribe the conditions of the application and make reasonable rules and regulations with respect

thereof.

COST OF PERMIT

Section 10. Fees for permit shall be:

After January 1, 1958 - for each permit \$ 5.00
for each septic tank \$ 5.00

PERSONS WITHOUT PERMIT NOT TO DO WORK ON SEWER LINES

Section 11. No person, firm, or corporation shall:

1. Install a sewer line on either public or private property if said line is intended to be connected to the public sewer.
2. Make or cause to be made a connection between a private sewer and a public sewer.
3. Make any opening in a public sewer.
4. Make any change in an existing private or public sewer line.

unless a valid permit for the specific work involved has been issued as provided herein. Any person, firm, or corporation making any such connection or causing the same to be made without having first obtained a proper permit, as provided herein, shall be in violation of this Ordinance.

PLANS WITH AND APPROVED BY THE TOWN ENGINEER TO OBTAIN A PERMIT

Section 12. A plan of the proposed connection, sewer line or change in an existing sewer line shall be made in duplicate and presented to the office of the Town Engineer on such forms as he provides. Such plans shall show the proposed line and its location, all clean outs, traps and fixtures to be connected therewith. Where the sewer is to be installed on a street or public way, the time of beginning work and the time of completion of the work shall be stated. If the plan is approved by the Town Engineer he shall issue a permit for the work. If the plan does not meet the requirements of this Ordinance he shall withhold approval and it shall be unlawful to proceed with said work until a permit has been issued.

CONNECTIONS, HOW MADE

Section 13. All connections with public sewers shall be made in a

workmanlike manner. Where a "Y" has been left, the connection shall be made without damaging or breaking the same. Where a connecting "Y" has not been left or in case the Town Engineer may deem best, the person making such connection shall remove a joint of the sewer pipe and insert in its place a "Y" properly placed and securely cemented, before making connections therewith, or with permission of the Engineer, the public sewer may be broken and the connection properly placed and cemented. Such connection shall be inspected and approved by the Engineer before the remainder of the lateral is laid. All excavations made in any street or alley shall be protected and guarded by said person, both day and night, ^{using} the proper display of signals and lights, and the said person shall be responsible upon his bond for all accidents caused by negligence in this respect. The street must be opened and the paving and earth deposited in a manner that will occasion the least inconvenience to the public, and the provide for a free passage along the gutter. One-half of the street must be kept free for the passage of vehicles, and bridgeways must be provided on sidewalks for foot passengers. In refilling the trench the earth must be deposited in layers of not more than twelve (12) inches in depth, and must be well rammed, and upon all streets improved by paving, the said trench must be puddled to prevent after settling. As soon as any such sewer is completed, the paving and sidewalk must be restored to as good a condition as existed previous to the excavation, and all rubbish and surplus earth immediately removed. All work within the limits of any street or alley must be prosecuted to completion with due diligence, and if, in the judgment of the Town Engineer any excavation is left open beyond a reasonable time, he shall cause the same to be filled and the street or alley restored forthwith, and any cost incurred in such work shall be charged to the person in charge of such work, and must be paid before he shall receive any further permit. If any work done in pursuance of permit granted as heretofore prescribed be not constructed and completed in accordance with the plan filed, and to the acceptance of the Town

Engineer, and the contractor or person shall refuse to properly construct and complete said work, notice thereof shall be given to the owner of the property for whom said work is being done, and the Engineer shall proceed to complete and connect said sewer in a proper manner, and the full cost of such work and any materials necessary therefor shall be charged and become a lien against said property, and shall be collected in the manner provided in Section 6.

NOTICE TO BE GIVEN

Section 14. No work for which a permit has been issued shall be covered or backfilled or connected to the public sewer until the work has been inspected and approved by the Town Engineer. Reasonable notice shall be given the Town Engineer when an inspection is desired.

REQUIREMENTS TO BE OBSERVED, ETC.

Section 15. No construction or extension of any drain for the reception of sewage under or from any hotel, tenement house, dwelling, or any building, or connection of the same with any public sewer shall be done unless the said drain shall, in its plan and construction, conform to the following requirements:

1. The arrangement of soil and waste pipes must be as direct as possible and have a fall of not less than one-quarter of one inch per foot unless grades make it necessary to reduce same toward the sewer or septic tank; said soil pipe shall extend three feet beyond the walls.

2. Sufficient vent within the house shall be continued ^{be} above the roof and left above so that the whole drain may ^{be} thoroughly and constantly ventilated.

3. In all cases where a building is used as a hotel, tenement, boarding house or restaurant, the owner or occupant shall provide a properly constructed grease trap, through which all slops of a greasy nature shall be drained, and the Town Engineer shall have authority to compel any person or corporation to provide and use a grease trap as aforesaid when in his judgment the same is

4. Wherever the sewer shall make a change of direction of more than forty-five degrees, a clean-out will be required. A cleanout will also be required wherever, in the opinion of the Town Engineer, said cleanout is necessary to facilitate rodding of the sewer. A cleanout will also be required in any sewer exceeding ninety feet in length. Said cleanout to be installed in a forty-five degree wye to be brought to within one foot of the surface of the ground.

5. Sewer at street property line shall have a minimum depth of two and one-half ($2\frac{1}{2}$) feet, and at the premises shall have a minimum depth of thirty inches.

6. Only one house will be permitted on a private sewer except by permission of the Town Council.

7. Sewer lines to all public buildings shall be not less than six (6) inches in diameter.

8. Any change in grade or alignment shall be with forty-five degree bends or wyes.

9. All sewers shall be constructed so as to prevent groundwater infiltration.

TOWN ENGINEER PERMITTED TO ENTER ANY PREMISES IN DISCHARGE OF DUTY

Section 16. The Town Engineer or officials shall have the right to enter upon the premises drained by any house drain or connected with any public sewer at all reasonable hours to ascertain whether the provisions of this or any other Ordinance in regard to house drains have been complied with, and if he shall find that said drain or its attachments do not conform to the provisions of this or any other Ordinance, he shall notify the owner of said premises, or his agent of the fact. It shall thereupon be the duty of said owner or his agent to cause said drain or its attachments to be so altered, repaired, or reconstructed as to make them conform to the requirements of law in regard thereto within fifteen (15) days from the time of receiving such notice.

SEWERS NOT TO BE INTERFERED WITH

Section 17. No person shall injure, break, or remove any portion

of any manhole, lamphole, flush-tank, or any part of the public sewers, and when any person desires to lay or drive any pipe in any of the streets or alleys in which sewers are laid, he shall give at least twenty-four (24) hours notice to the Town Engineer.

RUBBISH NOT TO BE DEPOSITED IN SEWERS

Section 18. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to deposit any garbage, offal, rubbish, or any substance having a tendency to obstruct the flow of sewerage, in any manhole, lamphole, flush-tank or sewer opening.

SEPTIC TANKS

Section 19. When the public sewer is not available to the property, permission may be granted by the Town Engineer for a septic tank to be installed to serve the property. Location and construction of septic tank and drain system must comply with the State of Washington Health Department standards and regulations, and be approved by the Town Engineer after work on the system is complete and before the work is covered.

VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Section 20. Any person who violates this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and may be fined not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or imprisoned for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both.

DEFINITION OF "TOWN ENGINEER"

Section 21. The term "Town Engineer" shall mean the persons designated by the council as being in charge of administering this Ordinance. The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply to any of the employees of the Town performing their duties of constructing, repairing or maintenance of the sewer system.

PASSED by the Council of the Town of Coupeville, Washington, and approved by its Mayor this 9th day of ~~December~~ ^{February}, 1959.

Ralph C. [Signature]
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lorine [Signature]
Clerk