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This chapter regulates the construction and maintenance of sidewalks, streets, street numbers, water service, electrical service, sewage disposal and other like utilities.

6.01 BUILDING PERMIT ISSUANCE

No building permit shall be issued for the construction of any residential building until sewer and water are installed and grading and graveling of the street necessary to service the property for which the permit is required is completed, and a receipt for payment of electrical hook-up is presented to the Building Inspector. No building permit shall be issued for the construction of any building other than residential until contracts have been let for the installation of sewer, water, grading and graveling in the streets necessary to service the property for which the permit is requested. No person shall occupy any building until sewer, water, grading and graveling are installed in the streets necessary to service the property and a certificate of occupancy shall not be issued until such utilities are available to service the property. If sewer and/or water are not available, no permit shall be issued until a well and/or a septic tank or holding tank permit have been issued.

6.02 STREETS, CURB AND GUTTER, AND SIDEWALKS

- (1) NUMBERING SYSTEM. The following system of determining numbering procedure shall be incorporated:
 - (A) The Baraboo River shall be the East and West division line.
 - (B) Broadway and East Broadway shall be the North and South Division line.
 - (C) The number starting point or focal point shall be at the Juncture of Broadway and the Baraboo River.
 - (D) Numbering shall begin with the three (3) digit number one hundred (100) and each adjoining block as plotted on the Village Plat map shall begin with a three (3) digit number. The first block shall begin with number (100), the second block shall begin with number two hundred (200), etc., in each direction from the focal point.
 - (E) The even numbers shall be on the North and East side of the street, e.g. 100-102-104, etc.
 - (F) The odd numbers shall be on the South and West side of the street, e.g. 101-103-105, etc.
- (2) RESPONSIBILITY OF OWNER. The installation of the number assigned to a building shall be done by the building owner. The numbers shall be installed on the exterior of the building on the side of the building facing the street and in such fashion that they can be readily seen from the street. They shall be at least four (4) inches in height and a separate color from the building so as to improve visibility.
- (3) FAILURE TO NUMBER. The number installation is mandatory and the Village Clerk shall furnish any property owner with building or lot numbers. If the owner or occupant of any building neglects for twenty (20) days to duly attach and maintain the proper number on the building, the Village may serve them notice requiring them to property number the same. If they neglect to do so after ten (10) days after service they shall be subject to a forfeiture as provided in Chapter 11.

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- (4) **SIDEWALKS.** All new public sidewalks shall be of concrete construction preferable, of single course construction, consisting of the following specifications:
- (A) The ready mix type concrete made available by various companies specializing in concrete sidewalk material
 - (B) The owner's own construction which shall be of a proportion of clean sand gravel, clean water, crushed rock and commercial cement manufactured for sidewalk purposes mixed in the following approximate proportions:
 - (i) One (1) part Portland cement
 - (ii) ¼ parts clean sand
 - (iii) Part 1" pebbles or crushed rock, clean water to provide a workable mixture (as recommended by the Portland Cement Association)
 - (C) Repair work to existing sidewalks shall be of a quality of concrete as specified in paragraph (B) of this section.
 - (D) New sidewalks in the residential section of the Village shall be made in sections three (3) feet wide and four (4) feet long and at least four (4) inches in thickness with a tamped sand, cinder or gravel base to provide adequate drainage, except when the proposed new sidewalk joins an existing sidewalk of different size section, the new sidewalk shall conform to the existing sidewalk in size (length and width of sections) in order to continue the uniformity of both sidewalks.
 - (E) New sidewalks in the Business District of the Village shall be made in sections six (6) feet wide and six (6) feet long and at least four (4) inches in thickness with a tamped sand, cinder or gravel base with the size exception as specified in paragraph (d) of this section. The Business District is defined as that area of Broadway between Baraboo River and First Street.
 - (F) The cost of any new sidewalk (public) constructed in the Village shall be borne wholly by the property owner whose property the new sidewalk will border. The cost of material for the repair or reconstruction of any existing sidewalk in the Village shall be borne by both the Village and the property owner whose property the sidewalk borders at the ratios of fifty percent (50%) of the cost of material and fifty percent (50%) of the cost of labor by the property owner as mentioned and fifty percent (50%) of the cost of material and labor by the Village. On written request for repair by the property owner to the Village Board including the cost of material and the dimensions of the sidewalk area to be repaired, the Village Board shall accept or reject cost estimate of sidewalk repair material required as submitted or may require another estimate for the material cost if original estimate is not acceptable to the Village Board.
 - (G) When the property owner is requested by the Village Board to make repair to his street sidewalk payment for his share of the cost of the material for the sidewalk repair, such cost shall be added to the property owners annual property taxes as a special assessment on the current year's tax roll. In which instance the Village will advance payment for the property owner's share of repair cost.
 - (H) When a property owner incurs the cost of sidewalk installation, the property owner shall furnish the Village Board with written proof that the costs involved have been paid or that arrangements have been made for payment; where upon the Village Board will authorize payment of fifty percent (50%) of the cost.
 - (I) The Village Board may condemn any public sidewalk in the Village found to be unsafe for public travel and order the same to be repaired or replaced within a reasonable period of time.
- (5) **SNOW & ICE REMOVAL.** The owner, occupant or person in charge of each and every building or structure or unoccupied lot in the Village fronting or abutting any street shall clean, or cause to be cleaned, the sidewalk in front of or adjoining each such building or unoccupied lot of snow or ice to the width of such sidewalk within twenty-four (24) hours after the cessation of a snowstorm. When the ice has formed on any sidewalk so that it cannot be immediately removed, the person

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herein referred to shall keep the same sprinkled with salt or sand. After twenty-four (24) hours of no shoveling, a warning will be put on the owner or occupant's door to remove the snow within twelve (12) hours. If not done, the snow and ice will be removed by Public Works and billed according to paragraph (6a) below.

- (6) NO DEPOSIT ON STREET. No person shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, any snow or ice taken and removed from his premises or elsewhere upon any sidewalk, alley, parkway, public place or street in the Village. Snow shall not be piled at or near intersections so as to obstruct the view of pedestrians or operators of motor vehicles.
- (6a) VILLAGE TO REMOVE. The deposit of any snow or ice upon any sidewalk, alley or street of the Village contrary to the provisions of this section shall be and is declared to be a nuisance act and, in addition to the penalty provided for violation of this section, the Village may summarily remove any snow so deposited and cause the cost of said removal to be charged to the owner of the property from which said snow or ice has been removed. If not paid within 30 days, such charge shall be extended upon the current of next tax roll as a charge for current services, as provided in 66.60(16), Wis. Stats.

6.03 SEWAGE DISPOSAL

- (1) CONNECTION TO PUBLIC SEWER. All buildings used for human habitation and located in the Village of Rock Springs adjacent to a sanitary sewer main or in a block through which the sanitary sewer system extension shall be connected with said sewer system in the manner prescribed by law and in accordance with standards set by the Village of Rock Springs.
- (2) FAILURE TO CONNECT. The Health Officer of the Village of Rock Springs may order the owner of any building used for human habitation to connect with the sanitary sewer system when such building is located adjacent to a sewer main or in a block through which the sanitary sewer system extends. Such order shall be in writing and shall be served on the owner of the building in the manner provided for service of a summons in the circuit court. If any owner of such building fails to comply with said order more than ten (10) days after service of the order; the Village may cause connection to be made and the expense thereof shall be assessed as a special tax against the property. The owner may within thirty (30) days after the completion of the work file a written option with the Village Clerk stating that he cannot pay such amount in one sum and asking that it be levied in an amount not to exceed five (5) equal annual installments, and the amount shall be collected with interest at the rate of 6 six percent (6%) per annum from the completion of the work, the unpaid balance to be a special tax lien.
- (3) INSTALLATION OF SEWER LATERALS. Sewer laterals shall be constructed by the property owner in accordance with standards established by the Village Utility Board.
- (4) USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS. No person shall discharge, or cause to be discharged, any storm water, surface water, ground water, roof runoff, subsurface drainage, uncontaminated cooling water or unpolluted industrial process waters to any sanitary sewer. Storm water and all other unpolluted drainage shall be discharged to such sewers as are specifically designated as storm sewers or to a natural outlet approved by the Sewer Commission.
- (5) REQUEST FOR EXTENSION. Any requests or petitions for extended sewer service will be submitted in written form to the combined Village Utility Board for further action by the Village Board if it is deemed feasible to install the extension. A connection fee of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) shall be charged for future extensions authorized by the Village Board and shall be paid by the property owner as soon after service is made available. The cost of all sewer extensions shall be paid by the property owner requesting the extension.
- (6) FUTURE SANITARY DISTRICT OR COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS TO THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM:

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- (A) A contract shall be prepared which shall include such district or community's fair share of the capital outlay and investment in the Wastewater Treatment Facility.
 - (B) A sewer charge shall be based on a cost per one hundred (100) cubic feet of water used with all water being metered or in relation to REC.
- (7) **OUTSIDE SERVICE TO INDIVIDUALS RESTRICTED.** No private individual outside the Village limits shall connect to the sanitary sewage system.
- (8) **SEWAGE DISPOSAL DEFINITIONS.**
- (A) "Sewage" is the water carried waste created in and to be conducted away from residences, industrial and commercial premises, public buildings and other structures and premises together with such surface or drain water as may be included.
 - (B) "Industrial wastes" are those particular liquid or other wastes resulting from any process of industry, manufacture, trade or business or the development of any natural resource.
 - (C) "Sewage system" includes all street laterals, main and intercepting sewers, and structures by which sewage or industrial waste is collected, transported, treated or disposed of. This shall not include plumbing inside or in connection with buildings served, or service sewers from a building, to street lateral.
 - (D) An "application for service" shall be made in writing. The application will include (a) the name of the property, (b) a legal description of the property to be served, (c) a list of the number and type of plumbing fixtures to be connected.

An application for disposal of industrial waste shall include in addition to the above the following: (d) estimated volume of waste, (a) variation in rates of discharge, (f) characteristics of waste, and (g) strength of waste.

The applicant for service will agree to install a house or building sewer to the public sanitary sewer in accordance with utility specifications. The size and kind of pipe shall be subject to approval of the Superintendent of the sewer system but no pipe of less than six (6) inch diameter shall be used. The slope of such pipe shall not be less than one-eighth (1/8) inch per foot.

- (E) A "unit of service" shall consist of any aggregation of space or area occupied for a distinct purpose, such as a residence, apartment, flat, store, office, which is equipped with one or more fixtures connected to the sewer system, separate and distinct from other users. The surcharge provided for in the rates shall apply to each additional unit on one service pipe with no increase in the amount of flow allowed with the minimum charge.
- (F) "Credit for water not discharged to sewer" if a portion of the water furnished to any customer is not discharged into the sewer system, the quantity of such water will be deducted in computing the charge for sewer service provided a meter has been installed to measure such water. The customer must at his own expense make necessary changes in the water piping and install couplings so that a meter can be set. A charge of seventy-five cents (\$.75) a month shall be made for each such meter up to a one (1) inch meter.
- (G) "Rates for industrial wastes" are whenever the superintendent of sewer department shall determine that any lot, parcel of land, building or premises is discharging industrial wastes of unusual volume, concentration or character, or of greatly variable volume, he shall recommend the adoption of a special rate for such class of users, taking into consideration the volume biochemical-oxygen-demand value, and suspended-solids content of the industrial wastes and the nature of the use made of the sewer system, but industrial sewer service rates will not be changed or adopted as original rates except following action by the management of the sewer utility and approval by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

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(9) USE OF SEWER SYSTEM

- (A) Deleterious Sewage. If a user of the sewerage system discharges any substance therein which is deemed deleterious by the sewage commission or committee to the operation of the sewerage system, he shall be required to discontinue the discharge of such substance in the sewerage system. If after ten (10) days notice in writing, such user continues to discharge such deleterious substance into the sewerage system, he shall be subject to a penalty as defined in Chapter 11. Each day in which such violation continues to exist, after effective date of notice to discontinue such discharge, shall be deemed a separate violation.
- (B) Restrictions with respect to domestic and commercial wastes to be discharged to sewer are as follows:
- (i) No customer shall discharge or cause to be discharged to the sanitary sewer any storm water, surface water, ground water, roof runoff or subsurface drainage.
 - (ii) Except as hereinafter provided, no person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any of the following described waters or wastes to any sanitary sewer:
 - (a) Any liquid or vapor having a temperature higher than one thousand five hundred degrees Fahrenheit (1500°F).
 - (b) Any water or waste which may contain more than one hundred (100) parts per million by weight of fat, oil or grease.
 - (c) Any gasoline, benzene, naphtha, fuel oil, or other flammable or explosive liquid, solid or gas.
 - (d) Any garbage that has not been properly shredded.
 - (e) Any ashes, cinders, sand, mud, straw, shavings, metal, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, paunch manure, or any other solid or viscous substance capable of causing obstruction of the flow in sewers or other interference with the proper operation of the sewage works.
 - (f) Any waters or wastes having a pH lower than 5.5 or higher than 9.0, or having any corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment, and personnel of the sewage works.
 - (g) Any water or wastes containing a toxic or poisonous substance in sufficient quantity to injure or interfere with any sewage treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans or animals, or create any hazard in the receiving waters of the sewage treatment plant.
 - (h) Any waters or wastes containing suspended solids of such character and quantity that unusual attention or expense is required to handle such material at the sewage treatment plant.
 - (i) Any noxious or malodorous gas or substance capable of creating a public nuisance.
- (C) Grease, Oil and Sand Interceptors. Grease, oil and sand interceptors shall be provided when in the opinion of the superintendent, they are necessary for the proper handling of liquid wastes containing grease in excessive amounts, or any flammable wastes, sand and other harmful ingredients; except that such interceptors shall not be required for private living quarters or dwelling units. All interceptors shall be of a type and capability approved by the superintendent, and shall be located as to be readily and easily accessible for cleaning and inspection. Grease and oil interceptors shall be constructed of impervious materials capable of withstanding abrupt and extreme changes in temperature. They shall be of substantial construction, watertight, and equipped with easily removable covers which when bolted in place shall be gas-tight and watertight. Where installed, all grease, oil and sand interceptors shall be maintained by the owner, at his expense, in continuously efficient operation at all times.

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- (D) Preliminary Treatment Facilities. Where preliminary treatment facilities are provided for any waters or wastes, they shall be maintained continuously in satisfactory and effective operation, by the owner at his expense.
- (E) Manholes. When required by the superintendent, the owner of any property serviced by a building sewer carrying industrial wastes shall install a suitable control manhole in the building sewer to facilitate observation, sampling and measurement of the wastes. Such manhole, when required, shall be accessibly and safely located, and shall be constructed in accordance with plans approved by the superintendent. The manhole shall be installed by the owner at his expense, and shall be maintained by him so as to be safe and accessible at all times. The connection with the premises and the sewer main or lateral installed by the Village shall be made by a licensed plumber. The promise service and the said connection to be inspected by the Village Inspector before backfilling, and only after a permit shall have been obtained from the Village Clerk.
 - (i) Every commercial user of the sewer system who prepares and serves food to the public in the Village of Rock Springs shall install and maintain a grease trap between the premises and sewer main. Said greased trap shall be constructed in such a manner that it will be available for inspection by the proper village officials.
 - (ii) No floor drains from filling stations or garages from shop or service area shall be connected to the sewer system.
 - (iii) All storm and other clear water including that from roof drains, cistern overflow and building foundation drains be excluded from the system and that street and building sewers be laid in such a manner as to minimize entrance of ground water. The building sewers and drains shall be installed to conform to the state plumbing regulations.
 - (iv) In order to eliminate the infiltration of flood water into the sanitary sewer system in basements ordinarily subject to flood water, no basement drain or other appurtenance which could drain such flood water shall be connected to the sanitary sewer system.
 - (v) Laterals from the sewer main to the property line which were installed by the village will be maintained by the combined sewer and water utility.
 - (vi) Any requests or petitions for extended sewer service will be submitted in written form to the combined sewer and water utility Commissioner for further action by the Village Board if it is deemed feasible to install the extension. A connection fee of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) shall be charged for future extensions authorized by the Village Board and shall be paid by the property owner as soon after service is made available.
 - (vii) The connection with the premise service and the sewer main or lateral installed by the Village shall be made by a licensed plumber. The premise service and the said connection to be inspected by the Village inspector before back filling, and only after a permit shall have been obtained from the Village Clerk.
 - (viii) The monthly sewerage service charge shall be parable to the combine sewer and water utility at the same time as water bills in the Village of Rock Springs are payable. A penalty, in accordance with Public Service Guidelines shall be added to all bills not paid by due date specified on the bill.
 - (ix) All charges established by this ordinance shall be a lien upon the property served pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 66.076(7), 66.06(22)(g) and 66.06(11), and shall be collected in the manner therein provided.

6.04 WATER SERVICE

- (1) UTILITY BOARD CREATED. A Utility is hereby created in and for the Village of Rock Springs. The Board shall consist of three (3) members, one or more of whom must be members of the Village Board of Trustees, or adult citizens and residents of the Village.

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- (2) APPOINTMENTS. All members of the Utility Board shall be appointed by the Village President and approved by the Village Board at such time as is necessary to keep the office filled. The regular term of office for each Utility Board Member shall be for a period of one year.
- (3) SALARIES. Salaries for Utility Board Members are set by the Village Board and posted in the Village Clerk's Office.
- (4) RESPONSIBILITIES. The Utility Board shall have entire charge and management of the water utility, power to appoint a Superintendent and fix his duties and compensation, and to supervise the operation of the utility under the general control and supervision of the Village Board of Trustees, conferred upon the Board by Statute.
- (5) RULES FOR OPERATION OF THE BOARD. They may make rules for their own proceedings and for the government of the department, but shall keep books of account in the manner and form prescribed by the Public Service Commission which shall be open to the public.
- (6) WATER STATEMENT, PENALTIES. The Board shall arrange to have the meters read and the bills made out and delivered to the utility customers monthly, as above provided.
- (7) UTILITY MONEY. The Village Treasurer shall act as Utility Treasurer and receive and collect all utility money, and shall keep separate books of account relating to all business affairs of the utility. All money received by the Village Treasurer shall be deposited to the credit of the utility water account in the same manner and in the proportions heretofore prescribed by Ordinance. All bills paid out for the use and benefit of the water account shall be paid out of the water account by the Treasurer only on warrants signed by the President and Secretary of the Water Board. The income shall first be used to meet operation, maintenance, depreciation, interest, and sinking fund requirements, and other necessary indebtedness or disbursements.

Income in excess of those requirements may be used to purchase and hold interest bearing bonds issued for the acquisition of the utility or bonds issued by the United States or any municipal corporation of the State or insurance upon the life of any Official or Manager of such utility, or may be paid into the general fund of the Village.

- (8) REPORTS. The Board shall cause a full report of the affairs of the utility for each year to be made to the Village Board of Trustees at its first regular meeting in January, which report shall show an estimate of the probable earnings, the resources and disbursements for the ensuing year, as well as a true and correct account of the operation for the preceding period covered by the report. All books and records of the utility shall be and remain the property of the Village and shall at all times be subject to inspection by any Village Official. They shall be delivered to each succeeding Commission.
- (9) CONTRACTS AND DEBTS. The Utility Board shall make all contracts for the employment of labor and for the purchase of materials and supplies for use in and about the operation of the utility, providing however that any expenditure in excess of three hundred dollars (\$300.00), except for professional services or labor directly to be performed for and under the immediate supervision of the Water Board, shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder upon such notice as may be prescribed by the Village Board of Trustees.
- (10) DEBT LIMITATIONS. Under no circumstances shall the Utility Board contract any debt or obligation without prior approval of the Village Board of Trustees in excess of the amount of money actually on hand and available to meet the obligation incurred.
- (11) DELINQUENT BILLS. On the 15th day of October in each year, the Utility Board shall notify Property Owners and furnish the Village Treasurer with a list of lots or parcels of real estate to which service has been furnished by the utility and payment for which is owing and in arrears and amount due for same. If each amount is not paid by November 1, the Treasurer shall provide to

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collect the said dues with any penalty, as provided for in §66.069 Wis. Stats. Failure to receive a bill in no way exempts the consumer from the provisions of these rules.

(12) WATER SYSTEM MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND RECONSTRUCTION

A.) Inspection required. The Utility Board or its duly authorized agent shall inspect private connections to the public water mains at the time that the utility system is to be maintained, repaired or reconstructed, or when deemed appropriate by the Board

- (i) Any existing private lead water lateral shall be considered illegal. Other laterals shall also be considered illegal if contaminated with lead.
- (ii) Prior to the actual reconstruction of the water main and lateral system, each property owner shall be given written notice of the project. Such notice shall be made not less than 30 days prior to commencement of the actual work.
- (iii) As the reconstruction progresses, the Utility Board or duly authorized agent shall inspect each private water lateral connection for the presence of lead. In the event inspection had been made previously, the utility director or duly authorized agent shall determine the condition of the private water connection from inspection records.
- (iv) In the event that the private water lateral does not contain lead, the village shall reconnect the same to the utility system at an appropriate point near the right-of-way line.
- (v) In the event that the private water lateral is found to contain lead, the Utility Board or duly authorized agent shall immediately notify the owner in writing of that fact.

B.) Owner to replace service. The owner shall, at the owner's expense, replace the lead water lateral or water lateral contaminated with lead. In all cases, the Village shall supply an appropriate connection point as part of its work. The owner may elect to:

- (i) Contract with licensed contractor to complete the repair. Work needed to accomplish the repair shall be done at the expense of the owner. Within 30 days of the giving of notice of deficiency under this subsection, proof of arrangements for repair shall be provided to the Utility Board or duly authorized agent and within 90 days of the giving of notice the repairs shall be completed.
- (ii) Have the Village's contractors, if available, complete the repair.
 - a) The Village may, as part of any project, request unit bid prices for the calculation of the cost of making appropriate repair to the private building water laterals.
 - b) If available, and should the owner select this option, the owner will be charged the entire cost of making the repair, except to the extent a Village policy provides an exception to a portion of the costs.

C.) As an alternative to any other methods provided for obtaining compliance with the requirements of this Code regarding replacement of illegal private water laterals, the Utility Board may, no sooner than 30 days after the giving of written notice, discontinue water service to such property served by illegal private water lateral after reasonable notice and an opportunity for hearing before the Village Utility Board Wis. Stats. Ch. 68.

(13) RATES. The charges and rates for water service shall be directed by the Service Commission. Current rate schedules are posted in the Village Offices.

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- (14) **DEFINITION OF CUSTOMERS.** A customer or unit of service shall consist of any aggregation of space or area occupied for a distinct purpose, such as a residence, flat, apartment, store, office, factory, etc., which is equipped with one or more fixtures for rendering service separate and distinct from other users, but living suites in houses or apartments where complete housekeeping functions, such as cooking, are not exercised, shall be classified as rooming house. Thus, houses and apartments having suites of one, two, or more rooms with toilet facilities but without kitchen for cooking, are classed as rooming houses and shall not be considered as extra or additional customer upon the same meter.
- (15) **SERVICE DISCONNECTED.** Disconnect procedures and guidelines/reasons for disconnect are set by the Public Service Commission. Service may be disconnected upon five (5) days written notice. A charge of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) shall be made for reconnection.
- (16) **USE OF WATER FACILITIES.** Except for an authorized employee of the village or by the Village Fire Department, it shall be unlawful for any person to open, injure or meddle with any hydrant, water main, tap, corporation stop, box or cover belonging to the village Water Department without first having obtained proper authority therefor.
- (17) **BOOSTER PUMPS REGULATED.** It shall be unlawful for any person to install any booster pump or pumps on any water service line connected to the village water supply without the written approval of the village Water Department. No booster pump or pumps on any water service line connected to the village water supply shall be installed if said pump or pumps have a discharge capability greater than sixty percent (60%) of the available flow at twenty (20) pounds per square inch residual. In addition to the penalty provided, any person convicted of a violation shall pay to the village any damages caused by the unlawful installation of any pumps.
- (18) **CROSS CONNECTION. TO PROVIDE A PROGRAM FOR PROTECTING THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM FROM CONTAMINATION DUE TO BACKFLOW OF CONTAMINANTS THROUGH THE WATER SERVICE CONNECTION INTO THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM.**
- (A) **DEFINITION OF CROSS CONNECTION.** A cross connection is defined as any physical connection or arrangement between two otherwise separate systems, one of which contains potable water from the Village of Rock Springs public water system, and the other of which contains water from a private source, water of unknown or questionable safety, or steam, gases, or chemicals, whereby there may be a flow from one system to the other, with the direction of flow depending on the pressure differential between the two systems.
- (B) **UNPROTECTED CROSS CONNECTIONS PROHIBITED.** No person, firm, or corporation may establish or maintain, or permit to be established or maintained, any unprotected cross connection. Cross connections shall be protected as required in Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 382.
- (C) **INSPECTION.** The water utility may inspect, or arrange for an inspection of, property served by the public water system for cross connections. The frequency of inspections shall be established by the water utility in accordance with Wisconsin Administrative Code. Any unprotected cross connections identified by the inspection shall be promptly corrected. Failure to promptly correct an unprotected cross connection shall be sufficient cause for the water utility to discontinue water service to the property, as provided under paragraph 6 of this ordinance.
- (D) **RIGHT OF ENTRY.** Upon presentation of credentials, a representative of the water utility shall have the right to request entry, at any reasonable time, to a property served by a connection to the public water system for the purpose of inspection the property for cross connections. Refusing entry of such utility representative shall be sufficient cause for the water utility to discontinue water service to the property, as provided under paragraph 6 of this ordinance. If entry is refused, a special inspection warrant under Wis. Stat. § 66.0119, may be obtained.

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- (E) **PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION.** The water utility may request an owner, lessee, or occupant of property served by a connection to the public water system to furnish the water utility with pertinent information regarding the piping systems on the property. Refusing to provide requested information shall be sufficient cause for the water utility to discontinue water service to the property, as provided under subparagraph (F) of this ordinance.
 - (F) **DISCONTINUATION OF WATER FOR VIOLATION.** The water utility may discontinue water service to any property wherein any unprotected connection in violation of this ordinance exists, and take other precautionary measures deemed necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water system. Water service may be discontinued, however, only after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing under Chapter 68, Wisconsin Statutes, except as provided in subparagraph (G) of this ordinance. Water service to such property shall not be restored until the unprotected cross connection has been eliminated.
 - (G) **EMERGENCY DISCONTINUANCE.** If it is determined by the water utility that an unprotected cross connection or emergency endangers public health, safety, or welfare, and requires immediate action, and if a written finding to that effect is filed with the Village Clerk and delivered to the customer's premises, water service may be immediately discontinued. The customer shall have an opportunity for hearing under Chapter 68, Wisconsin Statutes, within 10 days of such emergency discontinuance. Water service to such property shall not be restored until the protected cross connection has been eliminated.
 - (F) **PENALTIES.** Any person, firm or corporation, whether acting for self or on behalf of any property owner or other person, who shall violate any of the provisions of this Chapter or who shall make any installation of connection contrary to any provision of this code shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than twenty five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500) for each such violation, and each day of any violation shall constitute a separate offense. In addition to any penalties imposed by this section, any person who violates any provision of this code shall be responsible for the costs incurred by the Village due to the violation, including the cost of any prosecution and any other costs and fees allowed by law.
- (19) **STATE PLUMBING CODE.** That the Village of Rock Springs adopts by reference the State Plumbing Code of Wisconsin, being in § SPS 382, Wisconsin Administrative Code.