

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT, FIXING RATES TO BE CHARGED CONSUMERS FOR ELECTRIC ENERGY, FIXING LIMITS TO BE SERVED, THE COLLECTION OF BILLS, THE SALE OF ELECTRIC ENERGY AT A LOWER RATE THAN FIXED BY THIS ORDINANCE, THE TAMPERING OR ALTERING OF THE WIRING CIRCUIT AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.

SECTION NO. 1. Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Buffalo, Iowa, that the ordinance passed and approved on the 21st day of October, 1932, and all other ordinances, resolutions or orders passed by the Council prior to the adoption of this ordinance be and same are hereby repealed, and the following enacted and substituted therefor.

SECTION NO. 2. The Town Council shall, by Resolution, when presented by three members of the Light Committee, and adopted and approved by a two-thirds of the whole councilmen elected, fix and establish rates to be charged consumers of electric energy, adopt Rules and Regulations for the collection of bills, and to act on any emergency not provided for in this ordinance; however, such Resolution shall not conflict with any provisions of this Ordinance.

Any violation of a Resolution adopted by the Council as provided herein shall be deemed a misdemeanor and shall be punished accordingly.

SECTION NO. 3. Penalties: Any person making any change or using any device whereby he can secure electric energy without it being registered through the meter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined the sum of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars and cost; if cost and fine are not paid, said person may be remanded to jail until such fine and cost are paid, and in addition the service meter shall be removed and replaced only by the consent of the Town Council.

SECTION NO. 4. Deposit for test: Any consumer may have his meter tested by the Superintendent of Lights by depositing with the Town Clerk the sum of One (\$1.00) Dollar to pay for such test. In case the meter registers more than 2% fast, the \$1.00 shall be returned to the consumer and the meter adjusted or replaced with another meter within three (3) days from date of such test.

SECTION NO. 5. Offense: It shall be unlawful for any Person, Firm, Corporation, or Municipality, either directly or indirectly to sell, give, or contract to furnish electric energy or other electric service upon different or more favorable terms than those fixed by this Ordinance.

SECTION NO. 6. Collection of Bills: All accounts for electric energy are due and payable on the fifth day of each month for electric energy used during the preceding month and must be paid on or before the fifteenth day of the month in which the bill is rendered. All accounts are delinquent on the twenty-fifth day of the month in which bill was rendered, and a charge of fifty (.50) cents is to be added to the bill for such delinquency.

On the twenty-fifth day of each month, the Town Clerk is to furnish the Superintendent of Lights with a report of all unpaid bills, which must be paid at once, or service will be discontinued without further notice. A charge of Two (\$2.00) Dollars must be paid in addition to the full amount of the bill, to have service reinstated. Whenever any meter is ordered disconnected by the consumer, he shall pay One (\$1.00) Dollar to have service restored.

SECTION NO. 7. Limits to be served by power lines owned by the Town of Buffalo, Iowa:

Power lines owned by the Town of Buffalo, Iowa, shall not be extended beyond the incorporated limits of said town for the purpose of transporting electric energy to any consumer outside of the corporate limits.

SECTION NO. 8. Penalties: Anyone violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, excepting Section Three (3) hereof, shall, upon conviction, be subject to imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days or to a fine not exceeding One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars. Whenever the fine and costs imposed for the violation of this ordinance are not paid, the person convicted may be sent to jail until the fine and costs are paid, not exceeding thirty (30) days. (5714)

SECTION NO. 9. Any firm, person, corporation, owner or tenant desiring to make any change in the wiring circuit of any building, shall first consult the Superintendent of the Lighting Plant, and shall confer with the Light Committee, who may grant the request or refer the same to the Council for consideration.

SECTION NO. 10. This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

JULY 27, 1936
Passed and approved this 28 day of July 1936.

John A. Pignotti
Mayor of the Town of Buffalo, Iowa.