

City of Algoma
Ordinance 773
Amending Algoma Municipal Code 13.02, 13.025, 13.026, 13.03, 13.04 regarding Sanitary Sewers

WHEREAS, the Common Council of City of Algoma feels that it is imperative for the effective and efficient management of the wastewater treatment system that changes need to be made to the Municipal Code regarding sanitary sewer.

The Common Council of the City of Algoma does ordain as follows:

1. The following provisions of 13.02, 13.025, 13.026, 13.03, 13.04 amended as follows:

13.02 SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT. All territory in the City shall constitute a single Sanitary Sewer District and the Public Works Committee shall be in charge of management thereof.

13.025. SANITARY SEWER COSTS ASSESSMENT:

- (1) All sanitary sewer improvement charges including intersections shall be assessed in full along both sides served, except that the cost shall not exceed the cost of sewer pipe of the diameter greater than 10". For fronting properties outside of the corporation limits, such costs shall be deferred in full until such time that annexation occurs, at which time the costs become due.
- (2) On corner lots, subsequent or second side sewer improvement charges shall be exempt up to 120'.
- (3) On corner lots, if the owner shall at any time utilize sewer service, the original assessment cost shall be chargeable to and paid by such owner and the cost thereof if not voluntarily paid, shall be converted to a special assessment levied against the property.

13.026 SANITARY SEWER CONNECTION. Annexation to the City of Algoma will be required for all properties that wish to connect to the sanitary sewer collection system. If sewer service is provided the property owner requesting such service will be charged an initial assessment of \$3500.00 plus the cost of the main extension and lateral to the property line. In addition, a minimum monthly sewer service charge will be charged to the property owner. This fee will be reviewed annually and can be increased to reflect operational costs. At no time should the monthly charge be less than average residential cost. The sewer main, lateral and hook-up must be based on a plan approved by the Public Works Director and authorized by the Public Works Committee. The initial assessment will be returned to the property owner upon annexation to the City. A written request for annexation must be in the office of the City Administrator before any work on the sewer connection begins and the annexation process must be completed within one year. If the annexation request is withdrawn or not completed within one year, all work will be stopped. If the work has

been completed the sewer hook-up will be disconnected. If this occurs the property owner will still be liable for his portion of any main extension and lateral work, including the cost of disconnection.

13.03 USE OF SANITARY AND STORM SEWERS.

(1) DEFINITIONS.

(a) Sewerage. The water carried waste created in and to be conducted away from residences, industrial and commercial premises, and public buildings, as defined in sec. 101.01, Wis. Stats., and other structures and premises, together with such surface or drain water as may be included.

(b) Industrial Wastes. Those particular liquids or other wastes products resulting from the process of industry, manufacturing, trade or business.

(c) Sewerage System. All street laterals, main and intercepting sewers, and structures of which sewage or industrial waste is collected, transported, treated or disposed of. This shall not include plumbing inside or in connection with building served, or service sewers from building to street lateral, which terminates at the public right of way line. The right of way line is typically along the back side (building side) of the sidewalk. If no sidewalk is present, the line shall be delineated by measuring one-half of the total right of way width from the centerline.

(d) Sanitary Lateral Maintenance. Maintenance and repair of the sanitary lateral shall consist of two components; that portion which is the property owner's responsibility and that portion which is the City's responsibility. The property owner shall maintain and be responsible for all maintenance between the building and the right of way line. The City shall be responsible for all maintenance within the public right of way. Such maintenance by the City shall include the street pavement, curb and gutter, and sidewalk replacement.

(2) RESTRICTIONS WITH RESPECT TO DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL WASTES TO BE DISCHARGED INTO SEWER.

(a) No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged into the sanitary sewers any storm water, surface water, ground water, sump pump, roof run-off, cistern overflow water or sub-surface drainage.

(b) Except as hereinafter provided, no person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any of the following described waters or wastes into any sanitary sewer:

- (1)** Any liquid or vapor having a temperature higher than 150 degrees F.
- (2)** Any water or waste which may contain more than 100 parts per million by weight of fat, oil or grease.
- (3)** Any gasoline, benzene, naphtha, fuel oil, or other flammable or explosive

liquid, solids or gas.

- (4) Any garbage that has not been properly shredded.
- (5) Any ashes, cinders, 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 sewerage system or works.
- (6) Any water or wastes having a PH lower than 5.5 or higher than 9.0, or having any corrosive property capable of causing damage to structures, equipment and personnel of the sewerage works.
- (7) Any water or waste containing a toxic or poisonous substance in sufficient quantity to injure, damage, or interfere with any sewerage treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans or animals, or create any hazard in the receiving waters of the sewerage treatment plant.
- (8) Any water or waste containing suspended solids of such character and quantity that unusual attention or expense is required to handle such material at the sewerage plant.
- (9) Any noxious or malodorous gas or substance capable of creating a public nuisance.

(3) REGULATIONS SUBJECT TO INSPECTION, CONTROL AND ENFORCEMENT BY THE CITY.

(a) The City shall give 60 days written notice to all offending parties to cease and desist from offensive practices and shall prosecute all offenders who fail to respond through the City Attorney.

(b) Grease, oil and sand interceptors shall be provided when in the opinion of the City they are necessary for the proper handling of liquid wastes containing grease in excessive amounts, or any flammable wastes, sand and other harmful ingredients. All interceptors shall be of the type and capacity approved by the City, and shall be located so 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 and shall be gas-tight and watertight. When installed, all grease, oil and sand interceptors shall be maintained by the owner, at his expense, in continuous and efficient operation at all times.

(c) Preliminary treatment facilities shall be provided when in the opinion of the City they are necessary for water or wastes control and they shall be maintained continuously by the owner, at his expense, in satisfactory and efficient operation at all time.

(d) When required by the City, the owner of any building 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 constructed in accordance with the plans approved by the Superintendent and shall be accessible and safely located. 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.

13.04 SEWER PLANT AND SYSTEM, SUPERVISION OF. The Board of Health Committee of the City of Algoma shall have charge, management and direction of the sewer plant and sewer system owned by the City, subject only to the applicable state statutes and to the general control and supervision of the City Council.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the Common Council of the City of Algoma adopt the changes in this ordinance and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute any documents necessary to carry out the establishment of this ordinance.

Adopted this 3rd day of September 2013 by a vote of 8 for and 0 opposed.

Approved: Wayne R. Schmidt
Wayne R. Schmidt, Mayor

Attest: Tom Reynolds
Tom Reynolds, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer

Moved by: Beyer

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