

ORDINANCE #23

CONNECTIONS TO SANITARY SEWER

An Ordinance Providing for Connections with the Sanitary Sewer System.

The Village Board of the Village of Cochrane, Buffalo County, State of Wisconsin, do ordain, as follows:

Section 1. No outhouse, privy, vault, or cesspool shall be built, constructed or maintained upon any lot or part of lots in the Village of Cochrane, Buffalo County, State of Wisconsin, located adjacent to a sewer and water main, or in a block through which such systems extend.

The owners of all lots in said territory where privies are now used shall connect with the sanitary sewer system in the manner prescribed by the said Village. All closets, outhouses and privies within the territory hereinabove described shall, within four years from the passage and publication of this ordinance, connect properly with the sanitary sewers of said Village when available, or be removed and are hereby declared to be a menace to health and a nuisance.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Health Officers and Village Attorney to strictly enforce the provisions of this ordinance and see that all violations thereof are abated as herein provided and it shall be the duty of the Street Commissioner to investigate and report in writing to the Health Officer any violations of this ordinance. Said Health Officer thereupon shall serve written notice to abate such privy or outhouse and connect with the Sewage System in compliance with this ordinance.

Section 3. If any person fails to comply with the provisions of this ordinance for more than ten days after said notice in writing, the said Village shall cause said connection to be made, the expense thereof to be assessed as a special tax against the property. The Street Commissioner shall keep an accurate account of said expenses and report the same to the Village Clerk, and the amount therein charged to each lot or parcel of land shall be by such clerk entered in the tax roll as a special tax against said lot or parcel of land and the same shall be collected in all respects like other taxes upon real estate. The imposition and collection of any fine or penalty prescribed by this ordinance shall not bar the right of the Village to collect said cost.

Section 4. The owner of any property for which facilities are installed pursuant to Section 3 of this ordinance may, within thirty 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 not to exceed three equal annual installments and the amount shall be so collected with interest at the rate of six percent per annum for the completion of the work. The unpaid balance shall be a special tax lien.

Section 5. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than Five Dollars, together with the cost of prosecution, or imprisonment in the County Jail not exceeding sixty days, for each and every violation thereof. Each day of such violation shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and publication.

Passed and approved 8-11, 1954

Published 8-26, 1954.

(Signed) Milton H. Rohrer
Village President

(Attest) Kermit A. Spieth
Village Clerk