

ORDINANCE NO. 174

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE PLUMBING, ADOPT  
THE STATE PLUMBING CODE, PROVIDE FOR  
PLUMBING INSPECTIONS AND STANDARDS  
IN THE CITY OF BARLING, ARKANSAS,  
AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF BARLING,  
ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, any term used herein which is defined in Act 200 of the 1951 Acts of Arkansas, as amended, and the 1971 Arkansas State Plumbing Code, shall have the same meaning and effect in this Ordinance.

SECTION 2: For the purpose of regulating plumbing, there is hereby adopted that certain plumbing code known as the State Plumbing Code, Fifth Edition, 1971, and, amendments thereto, published by the Arkansas State Board of Health, including the provisions thereof regulating the installation of utility gas. The regulations and provisions of said Code are made a part of this Ordinance by reference. Three (3) copies of said Code shall be kept on file with the City Clerk.

SECTION 3:

(a) There is hereby established the position of chief plumbing inspector and positions for necessary assistants to the chief plumbing inspector as may be required.

(b) The chief plumbing inspector, with the aid of assistants as approved by the Board of Directors, shall exercise the following powers and duties:

(1) Inspect all plumbing, drainage and gas piping for compliance with this Ordinance and all regulations made pursuant hereto;

- (2) Attend meetings of the Board as requested;
- (3) Make investigations of plumbing and gas equipment;
- (4) Enter and inspect at reasonable hours plumbing and gas installations on public or private property within the jurisdiction of the city;
- (5) Ascertain that all persons installing or altering plumbing shall be qualified by state law.

SECTION 4:

(a) Before beginning any work in the City of Barling, Arkansas, the person installing or altering same, shall apply to the plumbing inspector or other designated official and obtain a permit to do such work. Only those persons legally authorized to do plumbing may be issued permits. A permit may be issued to a home owner to install or alter plumbing in a single family residence, providing the home owner does the work himself and that such work shall meet the Code requirements.

(b) All applications for permits shall be made on suitable forms provided. The application shall be accompanied by an inspection fee of \$15.00 to cover the cost of three anticipated inspections. An additional fee of \$5.00 shall be charged for each additional inspection by the building inspector.

SECTION 5:

(a) The City Administrator is hereby authorized to discontinue or cause to be discontinued all water service or services to any and all premises, lands, buildings or structures where it is found that an immediate hazard exists to the purity or potability of the City water.

supply, by reason of the requirements of the Arkansas State Plumbing Code and the regulations of the Arkansas State Department of Health having not been complied with.

(b) The City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to take such steps as necessary to determine all potential hazards to the purity or potability of the City water supply which exist. Upon receiving a report from the chief plumbing inspector and determination that said potential hazards exist, it shall be the duty of the City Administrator to immediately cause notice to go to the owner or such other person responsible for said premises, specifying said hazards, and notifying said person that in the event that said hazard is not corrected within thirty (30) days from the date of said notice, all water services shall be discontinued thereafter until the requirements of the Arkansas State Plumbing Code and the regulations of the Arkansas State Department of Health have been complied with.

SECTION 6: Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this article shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be adjudged to pay a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for any one specified offense or violation, or double that sum for each repetition of such offense or violation, and if the act is continuous in nature, a sum not more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each day that the same shall be unlawfully continued.

SECTION 7: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8: The enactment of this Ordinance would insure the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the public in the City of Barling, Arkansas, so that an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED: This 1 day of July, 1986.

Jimmy Barling  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Myra Thompson  
CITY CLERK