

**ORDINANCE NO. 777**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF HEMINGFORD, NEBRASKA, AMENDING THE HEMINGFORD MUNICIPAL CODE §3-306 TO ADD A PROVISION AS SUBSECTION (6) THAT ALL NEW CONSTRUCTION OF COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, OR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES AND REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING SERVICES WILL REQUIRE A MEANS OF DISCONNECTION TO BE ON THE EXTERIOR WALL OF THE STRUCTURE ACCESSIBLE FROM OUTSIDE; ALL SERVICES OF 400 AMPS OR LESS MUST HAVE A SINGLE THROW SWITCH OR CIRCUIT BREAKER ON THE LOAD SIDE OF THE METER, TO INCLUDE ALL SINGLE AND THREE PHASE SERVICES; ALL ENCLOSURES HOLDING THE DISCONNECTION DEVICE MUST BE 'UL' LISTED AND BE OF WEATHERPROOF CONSTRUCTION; ALL INSTALLATIONS REQUIRE A NEBRASKA STATE ELECTRICAL PERMIT AND MUST BE INSPECTED BY THE STATE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR BEFORE THE VILLAGE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT WILL ENERGIZE THE SERVICE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND REPEALING §3-306 AND ALL EXISTING PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE NOT CONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE.**

Be it ordained by the Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Hemingford, Nebraska:

1. Ordinance §3-306 Municipal Electrical System; Installation Expense shall read as follows:

(1) Meter Installations

(a) Any new or Replacement Meter Installations. The Municipality shall make the determination of the type and form of metering devices to be installed. This will be in the best interests of the Municipality and shall be determined by the Utility Superintendent or their agent.

(2) Secondary Service Installations

(a) All New Single & Three Phase Overhead Secondary Service Installations. The expense of the installation of overhead secondary service wire to the top of the meter mast and the cost of the meter shall be paid by the Municipality. The expense of installation of the complete service pole, meter loop, which includes wiring, conduit, meter can, weather head, metering transformers, etc., shall be at the consumer's expense, and the Municipality assumes no responsibility with reference thereto. Maintenance and replacement expense shall be apportioned in the same manner.

(b) All New Single & Three Phase Underground Secondary Service Installations. On single and three phase underground secondary services the Municipality shall have the expense of the meter and allow to the consumer the cost of service wires had an overhead service been installed. The expense of installation of the complete meter loop, which includes riser pole, wiring, conduit, meter can, weather head, metering transformers, trenching, etc., shall be at the consumer's expense, and the Municipality assumes no responsibility with reference thereto. Maintenance and replacement expense shall be apportioned in the same manner.

(c) Transformer Connections. In the event an underground service is to be connected inside of a padmount transformer, the consumer shall leave ample amount of wiring in the transformer to allow the Municipality to make the connections to the transformer lugs.

(3) New Permanent Installations and Line Extensions

(a) All overhead and underground distribution system installations/extensions. Based upon the recommendation of the Utility Superintendent or his agent, the Municipality may allow up to the maximum amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) toward the cost of new permanent installations and line extensions made to the electrical distribution system. Customer shall be responsible for all costs that exceed the amount allowed by the Municipality. Customer may sign a three (3) month installation contract with the Village of payment of the costs in excess of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), in the event they are unable to pay the total amount upon installation.

(b) New permanent installations or line extensions shall be defined as: Anytime it is deemed necessary, by a customer's request, to extend any part of the permanent electrical distribution system to provide an electrical service a distant point. This includes all costs of all additional material and equipment such wires, poles, conduits, transformer(s), cabinets, etc. that is added to the existing electrical distribution system.

(4) Electrical Distribution System Upgrades, Service Upgrades, Relocating of Existing Service

(a) Commercial, Industrial, and Residential Services. Whenever a customer requests a change to an existing electrical service, whether it be an equipment upgrade, which includes transformers, primary/secondary wiring, pole size, metering components, etc., or relocation of the existing electrical equipment, the Municipality shall only pay those expenses deemed necessary by the Utility Superintendent or their agent.

(5) Temporary Installation

(a) For any single phase temporary service requiring an extension of one span or less, including the removal of the same upon the completion of the service, the customer will be charged the normal meter connection deposit. Customer shall provide meter loop and pole.

(b) For any temporary which involves the extension of one span or more or requires a three (3) phase service, a nonrefundable fee will be collected in advance of construction. This charge will be equal to the estimate in and out costs to install and remove this service. Customer shall provide meter loop, metering transformers (if necessary) and pole. Examples of temporary extension may include carnivals, construction sites, etc.

(6) Means of Disconnection on All New and Replacement Services

(a) For the protection and safety of utility workers and fire department personnel, all new construction of commercial, industrial, or residential services and the replacement of existing services will require a means of disconnection to be located on the exterior wall of the structure accessible from the outside.

(b) All services of 400 amps or less must have a single throw switch or circuit breaker on the load side of the meter. This is to include all single and three phase services.

(c) All enclosures holding the disconnection device will be UL listed and be of weatherproof construction.

(d) All installations require a Nebraska State Electrical Permit and must be inspected by the State Electrical Inspector before the Village Electric Department will energize the service.

2. Previously existing §3-306 and all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance, are repealed.

3. The Board of Trustees finds it is in the best interests of the Village that the above amendment is made.

4. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force following its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

Passed and Approved on \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

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Village Clerk