

**CITY OF FRAZEE, MINNESOTA
ORDINANCE NO. 169**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8 CHAPTER 1 OF THE FRAZEE CITY CODE
REGARDING THE PUBLIC UTILITY WATER SYSTEM**

Proposed changes are marked in red

8-1-1: DEFINITIONS:

Unless the content specifically indicates otherwise, the meanings of the terms used in this chapter shall be as follows:

CITY: The City of Frazee.

CORPORATION STOP: The valve installed on the outside of the water main pipe for distribution of water.

CURB STOP: The valve located next to the street curb or on the edge of the premises where no curb has been installed for the purpose of turning water on or off to said premises.

MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM: All facilities for the distribution of water throughout the City.

PERSON: Any individual, firm, company, association, society, corporation, or group.

SHALL: Is mandatory.

STANDPIPE: The pipe installed on top of the curb stop to ground level for the purpose of operating the curb stop.

SUPERINTENDENT: The Public Works Superintendent of the City, or his authorized deputy, agent, or representative.

WATER LINE TO THE PREMISES: From the outlet side of the corporation stop to the water meter.

WATER METER: The meter used to measure the amount of water used to said premises. (Ord. 125, 12-6-2004)

WELL: Any hole in the ground created for the purpose of collecting water. Examples include a sand point, a drilled well, artesian wells, etc.

8-1-2: CONNECTION TO SYSTEM:

A. Connection Required: The owner of all new houses or buildings used for business and new housing developments shall connect to the City water main, provided the water main is within one hundred feet (100') of said property. **At no point shall a property owner install a well on their property without obtaining a variance permit from the City. Variances will only be granted following the Minnesota State Statutes guidelines.**

B. Application For Service: Any person desiring a connection with the Municipal water system shall apply in writing to the City Clerk-Treasurer on a form furnished by the Clerk-Treasurer for a permit to make such connection. By his/her signature, the applicant shall agree to conform to this chapter and to rules and regulations that may be established by the City as conditions for the use of water.

C. Costs: Any person connecting to the Municipal water system shall pay the following:

1. One hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the iron removal plant.
2. Cost of all excavation and backfilling.

3. Cost of materials for water services from the water main to the premises. All material used shall be approved by the Superintendent prior to installation. The piping material, curb stop, and accessories shall meet one hundred sixty (160) psi minimum pressure.

D. Separate Connections Required: Unless special permission is granted by the Superintendent, all premises shall have a separate and distinct service connection; and where permission is granted for branch service pipes, each branch pipe must have its own curb stop and water meter.

E. Plumbing Work: No one except regular employees of the city water department or licensed plumbers shall do any plumbing work on any pipe connected or to be connected to the municipal water system. (Ord. 125, 12-6-2004)

F. Inspection And Approval: No service line or pipe connection shall be covered until after it has been inspected under pressure by the superintendent or person designated for that purpose by the city. When any portion of the pipe laid is ready to cover, the plumber or contractor shall notify the superintendent or designated inspector, and the superintendent or inspector shall determine whether or not all material is of good quality and properly connected and laid in place in accordance with the provisions hereof and the plumbing code adopted by the state commissioner of health. (Ord. 125, 12-6-2004; amd. 2008 Code)

G. Restoration Of Excavated Area: When such line is approved, it may be covered and the ditch filled. No excavation made by plumbers or contractors in public ground shall be kept open longer than is absolutely necessary to make the connection required and, while open, shall be protected by suitable barriers, guards, lights, or warning devices. Backfilling shall be thoroughly compacted and left in a condition satisfactory to the street department. All blacktop repair shall be performed by an authorized contractor, and the cost of said repair shall be charged to owner of said premises. (Ord. 125, 12-6-2004)

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This ordinance shall become effective following its passage and publication in the official newspaper of the City.

Passed by the City Council of Frazee, Becker County, Minnesota this ____ day of _____ 2023.

Mark Flemmer, Mayor

Attested:

Stephanie Poegel, City Clerk/Administrator