

## Ordinance 2019-01

### AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE SECTION 6.07 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEWAY, IOWA COUNTY, WISCONSIN REGULATING LEAD WATER SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT IN THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEWAY

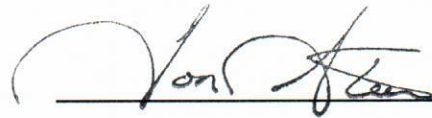
The Board of Trustees of the Village of Ridgeway, Iowa County, Wisconsin do ordain as follows:

1. **Intent and purpose** - The Board of Trustees finds that it is in the public interest to establish a comprehensive program for the removal and replacement of lead pipe water service lines in use within both the Village utilities water system and in private systems and, to that end, declares the purposes of this section to be as follows:
  - a. To ensure that the water quality at every tap of utility customers meets the water quality standards specified under the federal law;
  - b. To reduce the lead in Village drinking water to meet the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) standards and ideally to a lead contaminant level of zero in city drinking water for the health of Village residents;
  - c. To eliminate the constriction of water flow caused by mineral rich groundwater flowing through lead water service pipes and the consequent buildup of mineral deposits inside lead pipes; and
  - d. To meet the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resource (DNR) requirements for local compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule (see CFR 6460, 40 CFR parts 141.80 - 141.90 and Wis Admin. Code ss NR 809.541 - 809.55.)

#### 2. **Water System Reconstruction**

- a. Inspection required - The public works director or his designee shall inspect all private connections to the public water mains at the time that the utility system is to be reconstructed:
  - i. Any existing private lead water lateral shall be considered illegal.
  - ii. Prior to the actual reconstruction of the water main and lateral system, each property owner shall be given written notice of the project. Such notice shall be made not less than 30 days prior to commencement of the actual work.
  - iii. As the reconstruction progresses, the public works director or his designee shall inspect each private water lateral connection for the presence of lead or, in the event inspection had been made previously, determine the condition of the private water connection from inspection records.
  - iv. In the event that the private water lateral does not contain lead, the city shall reconnect the same to the utility system at an appropriate point near the right-of-way line.
  - v. In the event that the private water lateral is found to contain lead, the public works director or his designee shall immediately notify the owner in writing of that fact.

- b. Owner to Replace Lead Service - The owner shall, at the owner's expense, replace the lead service. In all cases, the Village shall supply an appropriate connection point as part of its work. The owner may elect to:
- i. Contract with licensed contractor to complete the repair. All work needed to accomplish the repair shall be done at the expense of the owner. Within 30 days of the giving of notice for the repairs to be completed.
  - ii. Have the Village contractors, if available, complete the repair.
    - 1. The Village may, as part of any project, request unit bid prices for the calculation of the cost of making appropriate repair to the private building water laterals.
    - 2. If available, and should the owner select this option, the owner shall make arrangements with the contractor to pay the entire cost of making the repair.
  - iii. Authority to discontinue service - As an alternative to any other methods provided for obtaining compliance with the requirements of this Code regarding replacement of illegal private water laterals, the utility may, no sooner than 30 days after the giving of notice, discontinue water service to such property served by illegal private water lateral after reasonable opportunity has been given to make the appropriate repairs.
3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.
4. **Effective Date** This ordinance shall be in force from and after its publication as provided by statute.
5. This ordinance becomes a part of the Village of Ridgeway Code.



Jon C. Steen  
Village President

ATTEST:



Lori L. Phelan  
Village Clerk

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