

ORDINANCE NO. 86-25

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE MEANS
FOR PROTECTING THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM
FROM CONTAMINATION DUE TO BACKFLOW OF
CONTAMINANTS THROUGH THE CUSTOMER
WATER SERVICE CONNECTION INTO THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Rule 890.1510 of the Illinois Plumbing Code, 77 Ill. Adm. Code 890.1510, requires protection of the potable water system from contamination due to backflow or backsiphonage of contaminants through the water service connection; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 653.801 et seq. requires an active program of cross-connection control which will prevent the contamination of all potable water supply systems; and,

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish these goals it is necessary to introduce restrictions that describe in detail specific procedures and requirements for cross-connection control;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS as follows:

SECTION 1. For purposes of this Ordinance, "the Superintendent of Water" shall mean the Trustee assigned by the President to oversee the operation of the Village water supply system or the Superintendent of Village Utility Services acting for said Trustee.

SECTION 2. That, if in accordance with the Illinois Plumbing Code or in the judgment of the Superintendent of Water, an approved backflow prevention device is necessary for the safety of the public water supply system, the Superintendent of Water will give notice to the water customer to install such an approved device immediately. The water customer shall, at his own expense, install such an approved device at a location and in a manner in accordance with the Illinois Plumbing Code and all applicable local regulations, and shall have inspections and tests made of such approved devices as required by the Illinois Plumbing Code and local regulations.

SECTION 3. That no person, firm or corporation shall establish or permit to be established or maintain or permit to be maintained any connection whereby a private, auxiliary or emergency water supply other than the regular public water supply of the Village of Chatham enter the supply or distribution system of said municipality, unless such private, auxiliary or emergency water supply and the method of connection and use of such supply shall have been approved by the Superintendent of Water and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

SECTION 4. That it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Water to cause surveys and investigations to be made of industrial and other properties served by the public water supply to determine whether actual or potential hazards to the public water supply may exist. Such surveys

and investigations shall be made a matter of public record and shall be repeated at least every two years, or as often as the Superintendent of Water shall deem necessary. Records of such surveys shall be maintained and available for review for a period of at least five years.

SECTION 5. That the approved cross-connection control device inspector shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the public water supply or distribution system of the Village for the purpose of verifying the presence or absence of cross-connections, and that the Water Superintendent or his authorized agent shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the public water supply or distribution system of the Village for the purpose of verifying information submitted by the customer regarding the required cross-connection control inspection. On demand the owner, lessees or occupants of any property so served shall furnish to the Superintendent of Water any information which he may request regarding the piping system or systems or water use on such property. The refusal of such information, when demanded, shall, within the discretion of the Superintendent of Water, be deemed evidence of the presence of improper connections as provided in this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. That the Superintendent of Water of the Village of Chatham is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue, after reasonable notice to the occupant thereof, the water service to any property wherein any connection in

violation of the provisions of this Ordinance is known to exist, and to take such other precautionary measures as he may deem necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water supply distribution mains. Water service to such property shall not be restored until such conditions have been eliminated or corrected in compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance, and until a reconnection fee of \$_____ is paid to the Village of Chatham. Immediate disconnection with verbal notice can be effected when the Superintendent of Water is assured that imminent danger of harmful contamination of the public water supply system exists. Such action shall be followed by written notification of the cause of disconnection.

SECTION 7. That the consumer responsible for backsiphoned material or contamination through backflow, if contamination of the potable water supply system occurs through an illegal cross-connection or an improperly installed, maintained or repaired device, or a device which has been bypassed, must bear the cost of clean-up of the potable water supply system.

SECTION 8. The Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form.

SECTION 9: This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after ten (10) days of its passage, approval, and publication in accordance with law.

PASSED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois, this 25 day of November, 1986.

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Barbara Bickhaus
Clerk of the
Village of Chatham, Illinois

APPROVED by the President of the Village of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois this 25 day of November, 1986.

Ed Osma
Acting President of the
Village of Chatham, Illinois

ATTEST:

Barbara Bickhaus
Clerk of the
Village of Chatham, Illinois