

ORDINANCE NO. 179

AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE OFFICE OF BUILDING INSPECTOR, PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OR DESIGNATION THEREOF, DEFINING HIS DUTIES AND FIXING THE FEES THEREOF, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 165.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POLSON:

Section 1. That the office of Building Inspector is hereby created.

Section 2. That immediately after the passage and approval of this ordinance, the Mayor shall nominate and by and with the consent of the council appoint some suitable person as Building Inspector, or designate some city official who shall be ex-officio Building Inspector and shall serve without additional compensation.

Section 3. DUTIES OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, KEEP RECORD AND REPORT TO COUNCIL. The Inspector of Buildings shall keep a record of all permits issued, which shall be regularly numbered in the order of their issue, and also a record of the statements upon which permits are issued. He shall also keep a record of and report to the council a full and complete register of the number, description and size of every building erected in the City during his term of office, of what material constructed, with the aggregate of the number, kind, and cost of all buildings and the sanitary condition of all buildings.

And it is also made the duty of the said Inspector upon being served with a notice requiring him to visit and inspect any building in progress of erection or construction, or sanitary matters in buildings, to do so, and if said Inspector shall fail or neglect to attend within twenty-four hours after notice served for that purpose, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of \$5.00 for each and every day he shall so fail or neglect to attend beyond twenty-four hours, which penalty shall be recoverable by action in the name of the City of Polson, for the use of the owners, contractor or contractors of said buileing.

Section 4. DUTIES OF INSPECTOR, INSPECTOR'S CERTIFICATES. It shall be the duty of every Inspector appointed under the provisions of this act, to visit and inspect each or any house or houses, building or buildings, which may be in the course erection, construction or alteration within the limits of the city, and to see that each house or houses, building or buildings are being erected, constructed or altered according to the provisions of this ordinance, and all acts and ordinances in force in said City, and this manner adopted for the security thereof against fires, and the safety of the occupants; that the materials used are suitable for the purpose and the work is done in a substantial and workmanlike manner, and is of sufficient strength and solidity to answer the purpose for which it is designated; and before the foundations are laid, he shall examine the trenches dug for the same, and be fully satisfied that the soil or substratum is sufficient for the structure or at least the best that can be obtained. And should the nature of the soil be such, and the work of sufficient magnitude as to require piling, flagging or lagging, the same should be done; provided, that it may be deemed necessary by the Inspector that his visits and inspections shall be repeated from time to time during the erection, construction and alteration of such house or houses, building or buildings, until the walls shall have been completed and the same enclosed, when his duties shall terminate; he shall, on application for that purpose, furnish the owner or owners, contractor or contractors, his certificates that the said house or building is in all respects conformable to law and properly constructed.

Section 5. In case the estimated cost of any proposed building, buildings or structure shall not exceed the sum of \$100.00, the fees therefor shall be \$1.00 for such permit. For over \$100.00 and not to exceed \$1,000.00, or fractional part thereof, the fee shall be \$2.00.

For over \$1,000.00 and not to exceed \$2,000.00, or a fractional part thereof, the fee shall be \$3.00. For over \$2,000.00 and not to exceed \$3,000.00, or a fractional part thereof, the fee shall be \$4.00. For over \$3,000.00 and not to exceed \$4,000.00, or a fractional part thereof, the fees shall be \$5.00. For over \$4,000.00 and not to exceed \$5,000.00 or a fractional part thereof, the fee shall be \$6.00. For over \$5,000.00 the fee therefor shall be \$8.00.

Section 6. In the event a Building Inspector is appointed under this ordinance, one-half of the fees collected by him under this ordinance shall be retained by him as his compensation and he shall receive no other remuneration for his services, and the remaining fifty per cent of such fees shall be paid in to and deposited in the General Fund of the City. In the event some salaried city official is designated as ex-officio building Inspector (under this ordinance) all fees collected by him (hereunder) shall be paid in to and deposited in the General Fund of the City.

Section 7. Ordinance No. 165 and all other ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 8. Whereas an emergency exists and it is necessary for the preservation of the peace, health and safety of the public, this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Passed by the Council and approved by the Mayor this 7th day of October, 1935.

J. H. Cline
Mayor.

Attest:

R. B. Davidson
City Clerk.