

ORDINANCE NO 214

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE LICENSING OF SLOT MACHINES, PROVIDING FOR A CITY LICENSE, AND THE PAYMENT OF LICENSE FEES FOR THE POSSESSION, USE OR OPERATION OF SLOT MACHINES BY RELIGIOUS, FRATERNAL OR CHARITABLE OR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF ORDINANCE, DEFINING THE TERMS USED, PROHIBITING MINORS FROM PLAYING AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POLSON, MONTANA.

Section 1. That no slot machine shall hereafter be used, operated, kept or maintained by any person save as in this ordinance provided. In addition to the ordinary meaning the word "persons" include both natural and artificial persons or corporations, partnerships and societies.

Section 2. That religious, fraternal, charitable and non-profit organizations, before using, keeping or maintaining slot machines, must first obtain licenses hereinafter required, and provided that such organizations are the sole owners of said machines.

Section 3. That all license fees shall be paid and licenses issued not later than Jan. 15th of each year.

Section 4. That a license fee of \$12.50 shall be charged for each of said slot machines, kept, used or maintained for each year or fraction thereof. Licenses for said machines, not already paid for the year 1947, are immediately due and payable.

Section 5. That it is the duty of the City Treasurer to collect said fees and issue licenses thereof.

Section 6. That a slot machine is defined as a machine operated by inserting a coin, token or trade check therein by the player and from the play of which he obtains or may obtain money, checks, chips or tokens redeemable in money.

Section 7. That no license shall permit any person under the age of a majority to play said machines or loiter around the premises wherein the same are kept.

Section 8. That any violation of this ordinance shall constitute a misdemeanor and subject the offender upon conviction to a fine of not to exceed \$100.00, or imprisonment in the city jail not to exceed 30 days or both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 9. That all ordinances in conflict are hereby repealed.

Section 10. That this ordinance becomes effective 30 days after its passage and approval.

Passed, adopted and approved this

E. D. Pearce  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Geo. S. Wright  
City Clerk