

**CITY OF FEDERAL DAM SEWER PROJECT**  
**WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM**  
**ORDINANCE 2006-2-13**

On August 1, 2000, the County Board of Cass County approved a request to establish the Federal Dam Sewer Project for wastewater disposal within the City of Federal Dam.

**1. DEFINITIONS**

HOMEOWNER – a property owner or authorized individual within the boundaries of the City of Federal Dam.

COUNCIL – governing body of the City of Federal Dam.

F.D.S.P. – abbreviation for Federal Dam Sewer Project.

MAINTENANCE OPERATOR – the individual responsible for checking individual septic tanks maintenance of the Treatment Plant and its equipment,

SEWER SYSTEM – Wastewater system for the F.D.S.P. including pumps, pump tanks, settling pond, and all pipes, fittings and apparatus.

**2. BOUNDARIES**

The boundaries of the F.D.S.P. shall consist of the Inner City Limits of the City of Federal Dam from First Avenue E. to the North through 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue E to the South and including Pine Street, Main Street, Cedar Street and Birch Street, and also including Fifth Avenue W. to Peter’s Pond Road and Zion Harbor Road from Hwy 2 to 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE.

**3. FINANCING**

The F.D.S.P. shall handle all financial responsibilities for the Federal Dam Sewer Project. All moneys collected by the F.D.S.P. shall be dispersed to the City of Federal Dam for payment of expenses for loans and maintenance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1 OF F.D.S.P.**

## **Section 1**

- A. The F.D.S.P. is responsible for the operation and maintenance of a collective Wastewater System within its territorial jurisdiction. This shall be accomplished and enforced according to the standards of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, found in Minnesota Rules Chapter 7077, and Cass County.
- B. Such systems shall include all sewer mains, pumps, pumping station components, settling pond components, and other works and facilities, whether presently existing or here-in-after acquired as are found necessary for the operation of the sewer system. Each individual septic tank, pump, controls, and sewer lines must meet the standards of the F.D.S.P. The F.D.S.P. will be responsible for the pumping of all septic tanks on a regular basis as deemed necessary by the Maintenance Operator of the F.D.S.P.
- C. All systems are the property of the F.D.S.P. and any additional maintenance and/or replacement, if deemed the responsibility of the property owner, shall be billed to the property owner.

## **Section 2**

- A. All persons within any dwelling, building, or property where waste water develops or occurs within the boundaries of the F.D.S.P. will be required to connect after building project is completed and remain connected to the F.D.S.P.
- B. All persons purchasing or developing property within the limits of the F.D.S.P. after the completion date of the project shall be required to connect from the building to the street immediately at their own expense up front or with the option of arranging an assessment schedule authorized by the F.D.S.P. by mortgage or taxes.

- C. The fee for new connections shall be established by Council by resolution. The fee shall be based on the costs and individual circumstances of the requested new connection.

### **Section 3**

No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any unpolluted water such as, but not limited to, storm water, groundwater, roof runoff, hot tubs, swimming pool, or sub-surface drainage into the collective Wastewater System by means of a sump pump or otherwise.

### **Section 4**

No persons shall discharge liquids or solids into the Wastewater System that has concentrations or quantities which will harm the collective Wastewater System, endanger lives, or constitute a public health nuisance. No Homeowner shall connect a garbage disposal to the Wastewater System. No septic additives of any kind may be added to any part of the Wastewater System.

Specific substances prohibited are:

- A. Any water or waste containing fats, wax, grease or oils.
- B. Any solvents, pesticides, flammables, photo finishing chemicals and dry cleaning chemicals.
- C. Any wastewater having a ph less than 5.0 or in excess of 9.5 (phosphates).
- D. Any wastewater containing toxic pollutants in sufficient quantity, either singly or by interaction with other pollutants, to inhibit or disrupt any wastewater treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans or animals, or create a toxic effect in the receiving waters of the wastewater disposal system. A toxic pollutant shall include, but not be limited to, any pollutant identified pursuant to Section 307(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Clean Water Act).

## **SECTION 5**

It has been Resolved on March 12, 2001, that the rate schedule of user's fees, late charges and connection charges for Wastewater System shall be set by resolution of the Federal Dam City Council.

## **SECTION 6**

It has been Resolved on March 12, 2001, that all sewer bills are due the 15<sup>th</sup> of the second month for each quarter of billing.

## **SECTION 7**

It has been Resolved on March 12, 2001, that all sewer bills are overdue thirty (30) days following the due date. A late penalty shall be assessed.

## **SECTION 8**

It has been Resolved on March 12, 2001, that all sewer bills that are delinquent on November 1<sup>st</sup> of the current billing year shall be assessed to the Homeowner's property taxes and an additional late penalty, which is charged by the County, shall be assessed to the Homeowner.

## **SECTION 9**

No person shall maliciously, willfully, or negligently break, damage, destroy, uncover, deface or tamper with any structure, appurtenance or equipment which is a part of the collective Wastewater System. Any person violating this provision shall be charged with a misdemeanor.

## **SECTION 10**

Any section, clause, sentence or provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Ordinance which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

**SECTION 11**

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force following its adoption by the Council of the City of Federal Dam.

Passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Federal Dam, Cass County, Minnesota, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006.

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William M. Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Adrienne A. White  
Clerk-Treasurer