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Reciprocal Electrical Ordinance For Farmington Township

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RESOLUTION TO ADOPT ELECTRICAL ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF FARMINGTON, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
A meeting of the Township Board for the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, was held in the office of said Township at the Town Hall in the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, on the 27 day of January, 1953.

The following members were present: Blanchard, McCracken, Goers.

The following members were absent: None.  
The following resolution was offered by McCracken and supported by Blanchard:  
That the Township Board of Farmington Township, Oakland County, Michigan, hereby adopt the following Electrical Ordinance for the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, the conditions and provisions of the same to be effective following publication of said Ordinance in the Farmington Enterprise for two weeks, from and after date hereof.

**ELECTRICAL ORDINANCE.**  
An Ordinance for safeguarding life and property by regulating and providing for the inspection of the installation and maintenance of electric wiring, electric devices and electric material; to provide for the licensing and registration of Electrical Contractors and the licensing of Journeyman electricians in the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan; to provide a reciprocal arrangement for the recognition of examinations and licenses issued by other municipalities in the state of Michigan voluntarily cooperating in the enforcement of this ordinance; to provide a penalty for violation thereof and to repeal all other ordinances and sections of ordinances in conflict therewith of the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan.

**SECTION 1**  
**ELECTRICAL INSPECTION.**  
A. The Township Board, hereinafter called the Inspection Authority shall have and hereby is given the authority, subject to review by hereinafter provided, over the inspection of all electrical installations, including changes, repairs and alterations thereto within the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan. The Township Board shall appoint a qualified Electrical Inspector who shall inspect all electrical installations and report to the Inspection Authority. This jurisdiction shall apply to the installation of wiring devices, apparatus and equipment for connection to electrical supply systems having voltages over 30 volts, except as provided in Section 4.

**SECTION 2**  
**FEES FOR INSPECTION.**  
2. When an application is made for a permit required under the terms of this Ordinance, a fee shall be paid in an amount as prescribed by the Township Board of Farmington Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

**SECTION 3**  
**RIGHT OF ACCESS TO BUILDINGS.**  
A. The Electrical Inspector and/or his deputy shall have the right during reasonable hours to enter any building in the discharge of his official duties or for the purpose of making any inspection or test of the installation of electric wiring, electric devices and/or electric material contained therein and shall have the authority to cause the turning off of all electric supply and cut or disconnect, in cases of emergency, any wire where such electrical currents are dangerous to life or property or may interfere with the work of the Fire Department.

**SECTION 4**  
**PERMITS.**  
A. No alterations or additions shall be made in the existing wiring of any building, nor shall any building be wired for the placing of any electric lights, motors, heating devices, or any apparatus requiring the use of electrical current at a potential over 30 volts, nor shall any alterations be made in the wiring in any building after the inspection, without first notifying the Inspection Authority and securing a permit therefor. Applications for such permit, describing such work, shall be made by the person, firm, or corporation installing same and permit shall be issued only to such applicant.

B. This section shall not apply to maintenance and repairs on the premises of a person, firm or corporation regularly employing qualified electricians for that purpose, nor shall minor repairs such as repairing fuses and snap switches, replacing fuses, changing lamp sockets and receptacles, or making joints or repairing drop cords.

**SECTION 5**  
**INSPECTION.**  
A. Upon the completion of the wiring of any building, it shall be the duty of the person, firm or corporation installing the same to notify the Inspection Authority who shall notify the Electrical Inspector to inspect the installation as soon as possible. The person, firm or corporation installing same shall be found to be in full compliance with this ordinance and does not constitute a hazard to life and property, he shall issue to such person, firm or corporation for delivery to the owner, a certificate of inspection authorizing connection to the electrical service and the turning on of the current. All wires which are to be hidden shall be in place before the work is commenced, and any person, firm or corporation installing such wiring shall notify the Inspection Authority, giving sufficient time in which to make the required inspection before such wires are concealed.

**SECTION 6**  
**RE-INSPECTION.**  
A. The Electrical Inspector may make periodically a thorough inspection of the installation in which electric wiring, electric devices and electric material not installed or that may hereafter be installed, in Oakland County, Michigan, and when the installation of any such wiring, devices and electric material is found to be in a dangerous or unsafe condition, the person, firm or corporation owning, using or operating the same shall be notified and shall make the necessary repairs or changes required to place such wiring, devices and material in safe condition and have such work completed within fifteen days, or any longer period as may be determined by the Electrical Inspector in said notice. The Electrical Inspector is hereby empowered to disconnect or order the disconnection of electrical service to such wiring, devices, and/or material so found to be in a dangerous or unsafe condition, until the installation of such wiring, devices and material has been made safe as directed by the Electrical Inspector.

**CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS.**  
A. No certificate of inspection shall be issued unless the electrical installation is in strict conformity with the provisions of this ordinance, the standards of the National Electrical Code, and the rules and regulations issued by the Michigan Public Utilities Commission, and unless they are in conformity with approved methods of construction as approved by the American National Standards Association and in the National Electrical Safety Code, as approved by the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, in the rules and regulations established as hereinafter provided (Section 10, Par. D).

**SECTION 8**  
**APPROVED MATERIALS.**  
A. It shall be unlawful to install or use any electrical device, apparatus, or equipment designed for use in the installation of any electrical circuit or system for heat, light or power that is not of good design and of safe and adequate material for its intended use. The Electrical Inspector shall have power to disapprove the use of installation devices not fulfilling these requirements. Devices, apparatus and equipment approved by the authorities as United States Bureau of Standards, Electrical Testing Laboratories of New York, or Underwriters Laboratories shall be held to have the approval of the Electrical Inspector unless explicitly disapproved by said authority for reasons of faulty design and poor construction involving danger to life or property.

B. It shall be the duty of the Electrical Inspector from time to time to inspect devices, apparatus and equipment offered to the public for use in installation to see that such items conform to the above requirements.

**SECTION 9**  
**RECORD AND REVIEW.**  
A. The Inspection Authority shall keep complete records of all permits issued and inspections made and other official work performed under the provisions of this ordinance.

B. When the Electrical Inspector or condemns all or part of any electrical installation, he shall give written notice from the Electrical Inspector, file a petition with the Board of Examiners, upon receipt of which the said Board of Examiners shall at once proceed to determine whether said electrical installation complies with this ordinance, and within three days shall make a decision in accordance with its findings.

**SECTION 10**  
**WORK.**  
A. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to engage as an independent contractor in the installation, alteration, maintenance or repair of electrical wiring, equipment, apparatus or fixtures for light, heat or power purposes such as the electromotive force exceeds 30 volts in or about buildings and/or structures located within the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, without first having procured a license.

B. Persons making application must be 21 years of age, shall have held a license as a Journeyman electrician for a period of at least one year, and shall have passed a suitable examination for Contractor's License. Persons, firms or corporations applying for Contractor's License must have at least one member of the firm with the above qualifications and one or more men employed with the above qualifications and experience.

C. The Board of Examiners is hereby constituted consisting of the Electrical Inspector of the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan; a representative of an Electrical Utility Company; a licensed Electrician; a Contractor and a Journeyman Electrician; and the said Electrical Contractor and Journeyman Electrician shall have had at least 10 years experience in electrical work. The members of said Board of Examiners shall be appointed by the Township Board for such terms as may be designated at the time of appointment. This Board shall examine all applications for either Contractor's or Journeyman electrician's licenses.

D. Any person applying for a license shall be eligible for re-examination in any recertifying Municipality for a period of thirty days after the expiration of his license and their legal address as the location of their residence in the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, and their legal address as the principal place of business in the case of electrical contractors in the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, having their legal address within the corporate limits of the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, shall secure their license from the said Board of Examiners.

E. The Board shall prepare the application blanks, prescribe the examination and meet at least once a month or call of an Emergency Electrical Inspector to hold examinations. Due notice shall be given applicants of the date of examinations.

F. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the occupation or trade of Journeyman electrician in the installation, alteration, maintenance or repair of electrical wiring, equipment, apparatus or fixtures for light, heat or power purposes where the electromotive force exceeds 30 volts in or about buildings and/or structures located within the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, without having first taken and passed the examination as herein provided. The Examination Board shall determine, and such other practical tests in electrical work as may be required by the Examining Board. Stenographic notes shall be taken of all oral examinations.

G. Minimum qualifications for examination for Journeyman electricians shall be four years of practical experience, or graduation from a technical school attendance shall be credited as apprentice experience. Four years in technical school and one year practical experience shall also qualify for examination.

H. The fee for an Electrical Contractor's license shall be \$35.00 per year. The fee for a Journeyman Electrician's license shall be \$10.00 per year. Licenses shall expire on December 31st of each year, and shall be renewed upon application by the licensee, together with the payment of the required fee. After March 1st all licenses not renewed shall be considered cancelled and may not be renewed except upon approval by the Examining Board. Electrical Contractor's licenses and Journeyman electrician's licenses shall be issued by the Inspection Authority upon recommendation of the Examining Board. Licenses issued under this ordinance shall be non-transferable and shall be displayed when requested. Electrical Contractor's licenses under the terms of this ordinance shall not secure permits for work to be done by any person not employed by said electrical contractor, and license may be revoked for violation of this rule.

I. No license shall be recognized by the Inspection Authority unless such license is issued by a cooperating Municipality having an Examining Board. The Inspection Authority shall permit Electrical Contractors lawfully licensed by other municipalities of the State of Michigan to install, alter or repair electrical wiring, equipment, apparatus or fixtures for light, heat or power purposes within the corporate limits of the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, upon payment of a One Dollar registration fee, provided that such municipalities are in reciprocal arrangement with the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, without the payment of a registration fee provided, however, that any Journeyman electrician doing work within the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan and holding a license from a cooperating municipality shall register with the Inspection Authority.

J. No Electrical Contractor's license shall be recognized, for the purpose of registration, in the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, of applicants who maintain their principal place of business in a municipality which falls to approve, by affirmative action of its Legislative Body, the reciprocal and mutual interchangeable licensing arrangements covered by this ordinance. Corporations applying for Electrical Contractor's licenses, whose principal place of business is not in the State of Michigan may obtain a license from the Township Clerk upon approval by the Examining Board and the payment of the prescribed fee. Provided that the applicant shall file a duly executed bond in the penal sum of \$1,000.00 running to the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, conditioned for

the faithful performance and observance of the ordinance and rules and regulations made and approved as hereinafter provided controlling the installation of electrical wiring and equipment. Such bond shall be a surety bond from a recognized surety company authorized to transact business in the State of Michigan. Any Electrical Contractor's or Journeyman electrician's license may, after a hearing, be suspended or revoked by the Examining Board having issued such license upon evidence presented that the person, firm or corporation holding such license willfully or by reason of incompetency repeatedly violates any rules and regulations relating to the inspection, maintenance, alteration or repair of electrical wiring, devices, appliances or equipment.

K. The Board of Examiners is hereby empowered and it shall be the duty of the Board to enforce the rules and regulations concerning electrical work in the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, which may be required to properly provide for the situation therein. The rules and regulations so made shall be subject to such rules and regulations by the Township Board, and shall take precedence over plans, specifications and National Electrical Code Rules.

Scout News

Troop 49 held an inventory ceremony on January 30 honoring Ann Elchoff, Susan Mathread, Judy Porter, Pamela Bush and Douglas Liphart.

A flag ceremony opened the program with the girls standing in horseshoe formation. Carol Kreider, a regular Brownie, brought out the new Brownies and announced their names. Pins were pinned on their uniforms and the leader accepted each into the troop with a handshake.

The wishing pond had green crepe paper around it to represent grass and yellow roses popping up here and there, water lilies, which held the Brownie pins floated around the center.

The program consisted of songs, games and refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, candy and pop. Favors were yellow crepe paper umbrellas with brown and yellow bows. Programs were yellow trifolds with tulips of felt.

Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Liphart and Mrs. Elchoff were present to see their daughters invested. Mrs. Kreider helped with the program, replacing Mrs. Larson who could not attend because her daughter, Sharon, was ill. We hope to see you next week, Sharon.

Livonia Garden Club To Meet February 11

The February meeting of the Livonia Home Gardeners' Club will be held February 11 at 8:00 p.m. in Bentley High School, Hubbard Road at Five Mile Road.

Mr. Bentley of the Ferry-Morse Seed Company will speak on "Flower and Vegetable Seeds For This Area". Refreshments will be served and visitors are cordially invited.

Mrs. George Welsh of Mayfield Avenue is seriously ill.

Scout News

The ceremony took place at the Reformed Church with the Rev. Walter S. Press officiating. The bride's gown was styled with Chantilly lace bodice and skirt with lace inserts. She carried a white Bible topped with gold and streamers of satin ribbons and ivy leaves.

Miss Martha Hooper of Morion Avenue in Ann Arbor was maid of honor and was gowned in mist green tulle over ivory tulle with a three-tiered tulle length skirt.

Mrs. Robert F. Johnson and Hilma Mast, both of Ann Arbor, served as bridesmaids.

Edna B. Tyler, Jr., of East Lansing, served her brother as best man and other brothers, Lee and Richard, were ushers along with the bride and Howard Washburn.

A reception was held in the church parlors following the ceremony. Both Mr. and Mrs. Tyler are students at Holderness College, Rittin, Ohio, where they will marry their home.

Mothers Club To Disband After Feb. 11 Meeting

The final meeting of the Methodist Mothers Club will be held on Wednesday, February 11, at the home of Mrs. Alex Ramsey, 2822 Nine Mile Road, at 8:00 a.m.

The members of the club voted at their January meeting to disband and affiliate with either the afternoon or evening division of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church.

The February 11 meeting will feature Mrs. George Gullen, personal manager of the Detroit-Liberty Company, who will talk about family relations.

Bobby, young son of the McCrackens of Shady Side Avenue, is reported on the sick list.

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