

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE MEANS FOR PROTECTING
THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM FROM CONTAMINATION DUE TO BACK
FLOW OF CONTAMINANTS THROUGH THE WATER SERVICE CONNECTION
INTO THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Section 6109 of the Ohio Revised Code requires protection of the public water system from contaminants due to back flow of contaminants through the water service connection; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency requires the maintenance of a continuing program of cross connection control which will systematically and effectively prevent the contamination of all potable water systems; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish these goals, it is necessary to introduce restrictions that go beyond usual plumbing code requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Versailles, State of Ohio:

SECTION ONE: That if, in the judgement of the Superintendent of Utilities, an approved back flow prevention device is necessary for the safety of the public water system, the Superintendent of Utilities will give notice to the water consumer to install such an improved device immediately. The water consumer shall, at his own expense, install such an approved device at a location and in a manner approved by the Superintendent of Utilities and shall have inspections and tests made of such approved devices as required by the Superintendent of Utilities.

SECTION TWO: 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 Versailles may enter, supply or distributing system of said municipality, unless such private, auxiliary or emergency water supply and the method of connection and use of said supply shall have been approved by the Superintendent of Utilities of the Village of Versailles and by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.


SECTION THREE: That it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Utilities to cause surveys and investigations to be made of the industrial and other properties served by the public water supply where actual 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 as often as the Superintendent of Utilities shall deem necessary.

SECTION FOUR: That the Superintendent of Utilities of the Village of Versailles or his or its duly authorized representative shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any properties served by connection to the public water supply system or distributing system of the Village of Versailles for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems thereof. On demand, the owner, Lessees, or occupants of any properties so served shall furnish to the Superintendent of Utilities any information which he may request regarding the piping system or systems for water used on such property. The refusal of such information, when demanded, shall, within the discretion of the Superintendent of Utilities, be deemed evidence of the presence of improper connections as provided in this ordinance.

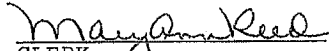
SECTION FIVE: That the Superintendent of Utilities of the Village of Versailles is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue, after reasonable notice to the occupant thereof, the water service to any property wherein any connection in violation of the provisions of this ordinance is known to exist, and to take such other precautionary measures as he may deem necessary to eliminate any danger or contamination of the public water supply distribution mains. Water services to such property shall not be restored until such conditions have been eliminated or corrected in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION SIX: This Ordinance is hereby deemed to be an emergency measure, necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village, in that a person cannot be properly trained and registered for a class to be certified to properly inspect such back flow and check valve devices, until an ordinance is passed, and a class is to be held in January, and which ordinance shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

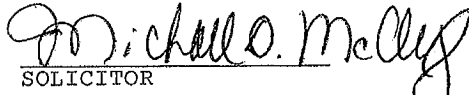
PASSED, this 9th day of December, 1985.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


SOLICITOR