

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2001-04

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WATER CONSERVATION PLAN FOR THE VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE, OHIO, AND DECLARING THE SAID TO BE AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency is requiring water suppliers to adopt a system of mandatory water conservation measures to cover potential problems and

WHEREAS, the potential exists for the Village of Hamersville, Ohio to experience a water emergency due to either a drought situation or a major equipment failure, and

WHEREAS, the restrictions contained in the Water Conservation Plan are necessary to protect the Village of Hamersville's ability to supply water to the citizens of Hamersville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HAMERSVILLE, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION ONE: The Water Conservation Plan, as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereby adopted.

SECTION TWO: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason that Council desires to meet the requirements as set forth by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for water conservation measures, therefore, this measure shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

SECTION THREE: Failure to comply with this Ordinance shall be punishable by a minor misdemeanor with a penalty of up to \$100.00 per day or per occurrence.

ADOPTED: February 12, 2001

ATTEST:

Clerk

Diane C. Lee
Mayor:

WATER CONSERVATION PLAN

The potential exists for the Village of Hamersville due to either a drought situation or a major equipment failure, to experience a water emergency. Consequently, the following restrictions are necessary to protect the village's ability to supply water to the citizens of Hamersville, Ohio. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency is requiring water suppliers to adopt a system of water conservation measures to cover such potential problems. This plan consists of four levels or phases. The last two phases of the plan require mandatory conservation measures for Hamersville's water customers.

Phase I - Normal:

Water supplies are adequate and climatological conditions are normal.

Phase II - Alert:

Climatological data indicates above normal temperatures and below normal precipitation for an extended period. Streamflow, reservoir levels, and/or groundwater levels are below normal over an extended period of time. Implement system-wide voluntary water conservation measures, and establish a use reduction goal of 10 percent.

Customer Action:

Voluntary reduction of lawn watering on odd and even numbered days according to residents house number. Watering restricted to 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Phase III - Conservation:

Climatological conditions worsen and water levels continue to decline. Water conservation measures are increased. Implement system-wide mandatory water conservation measures, and establish a use reduction goal of 20 percent.

Customer Action -

Mandatory reduction of lawn watering on odd and even numbered days according to residents house number. Watering restricted to 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Restrict all unnecessary usage as deemed appropriate.

Phase IV- Emergency:

Climatological conditions continues to worsen and water levels continue to diminish. Conservation measures have to be more stringent to ensure adequate water supply for health and sanitary purposes. Implement system-wide mandatory water conservation measures, and establish a use reduction goal of 30 percent.

Customer Action -

Mandatory prohibition of lawn watering. Washing of autos, trucks, and recreational vehicles shall be recommended only in commercial wash centers that are equipped with recycling facilities. Use of water for the filling of swimming pools is prohibited. Hose spraying of driveways, sidewalks, and parking areas is prohibited. Restrict all other unnecessary usage as deemed appropriate.