

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE
GOVERNMENT OF A PAID FIRE DEPART-
MENT FOR THE CITY OF DRAKESBORO,
KENTUCKY

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Drakesboro, Kentucky, that to better protect the lives and property of the citizens, a department to be hereafter known as the City of Drakesboro Ky. Fire Department is hereby created. Its object shall be the preservation and protection of life and property from and during such fires as may occur within the corporate limits and immediately adjacent to the corporate limits of the City of Drakesboro, Kentucky.

SECTION 1.

The department shall be equipped inasmuch as is possible with such apparatus and accessories as are required by the Kentucky Acturial Bureau to obtain not less than a class 2nd grade.

SECTION 2.

All of the equipment shall be safely ~~kept~~ and conveniently housed in such station or stations as may be directed by the City Council.

SECTION 3.

The Department shall be composed of a Chief, an Assistant Chief and such other officers as may be authorized by the City Council. There shall be not less than 12 members not including the Chief.

SECTION 4.

The Chief and Assistant Chief shall be appointed or elected for an indefinite period of time, pending on their good behavior and efficiency and removed only for just cause as affecting the efficiency of the Fire Department, after a just and impartial hearing before the City Council.

SECTION 5.

All persons eligible for membership in the Fire Department shall be male Citizens of the City of Drakesboro, Ky., of good moral character, preferably property owners and with telephones in their homes.

SECTION 6.

DUTIES OF THE CHIEF.

The chief is hereby authorized and it shall be his duty to appoint and discharge all other such members of the fire department as provided in Section 3 and 5.

It shall be the duty of the Chief to train and drill the members of the Department in modern methods of fire fighting, to be present at fires and direct the operation of the department.

The Chief shall have complete charge of the Fire Department, its various equipments and stations and shall be held strictly responsible for its safe keeping and efficient operation, and for this purpose he shall formulate and have printed, such rule and regulations for the operation of the Department as his experience shall dictate. A copy of such rules and regulations shall be given each member and a copy filed with the City Clerk.

The Chief shall keep on file in a convenient and accurate place in the fire station, an inventory of all property belonging to the department, also a log book in which all fire department matters in the date and order they may occur, including names of members reporting to fires and drills, data concerning fires, supplies purchased, etc.

DUTIES OF CHIEF (Cont.)

The Chief or Assistant Chief shall not leave the City without reporting to the Mayor and a competent officer left in charge of the Department.

The Chief shall be present at the regular meeting of the City Council and submit such bills and payrolls from the fire department that are to be paid. At the end of the fiscal year he shall submit to the City Council for their information and ~~re~~ record a typewritten report covering all department matters.

For the purpose of this ordinance and in furtherance of his duties, the Fire Chief is hereby granted and clothed with all power and privilege of a regular policemen under the statutes of Kentucky and the City ordinances.

SECTION 7.

It shall be the duty of the Assistant Chief of the Department to perform the duties of Chief in his absence and to assist the Chief in the discharge of his duties.

SECTION 8.

It shall be the duty of all members to obey the lawful orders of the Chief and all officers appointed over them.

SECTION 9.

On alarm of fire, all members shall report promptly to the fire station or fire, as the case may be.

SECTION 10.

All members shall report for practice drills which shall be held on the _____ and _____ of each month at the fire station or other place directed by the Chief or officer in charge.

SECTION 11.

The salary of the Chief shall be \$ 6⁰⁰ monthly, the Assistant Chief \$ _____ monthly. The salary of each member shall be \$ _____ monthly or \$ 1⁰⁰ for each fire attended by the member.

SECTION 12.

The fire alarm signals shall be sounded daily
on or about the hour of noon.

SECTION 13.

The fire department shall have the right of way at all times over all traffic and it is hereby made the duty of each driver of all vehicles of every description to clear the way by pulling to the right and coming to a dead stop.

SECTION 14.

No unauthorized person shall race with ~~the~~, or trail or follow within 300 feet with any vehicle, any apparatus of the fire department actively responding to a fire or drive any vehicle over fire hose.

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SECTION 15.

No person shall park a vehicle of any description ~~fixany~~ or place any material within 20 feet of the fire station entrance or any fire hydrant or cistern.

SECTION 16.

No person shall maliciously sound a false fire alarm.

SECTION 17.

Any person violating provisions of Sections 13, 14, 15, and 16 shall upon conviction in the Police Court of The City Of Drakesboro, Kentucky, pay a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00.

SECTION 18.

It is hereby made the special duty of the Chief of Police and policemen to promptly answer all fire alarms and attend each fire and assist the Fire Chief and his Department in protecting the lives and property of its citizens, the property of the Department, and in controlling and regulating traffic and maintaining order, particularly in reference to Sections 13, 14, 15, and 16 of this Ordinance.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED AND APPROVED ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ THIS 7th DAY OF March 1937

Henry W. Sitz
Mayor

ATTEST:

O. J. Nelson
City Clerk

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& parking fines*

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