THE ENGLEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE

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PREFACE

The Englewood Municipal Code contains the codification and revision of the ordinances of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee. By referring to the historical citation appearing at the end of each section, the user can determine the origin of each particular section. The absence of a historical citation means that the section was added by the codifier. The word "modified" in the historical citation indicates significant modification of the original ordinance.

The code is arranged into titles, chapters, and sections. Related matter is kept together, so far as possible, within the same title. Each section number is complete within itself, containing the title number, the chapter number, and the section of the chapter of which it is a part. Specifically, the first digit, followed by a hyphen, identifies the title number. The second digit identifies the chapter number, and the last two digits identify the section number. For example, title 2, chapter 1, section 6, is designated as section 2-106.

By utilizing the table of contents and the analysis preceding each title and chapter of the code, together with the cross references and explanations included as footnotes, the user should locate all the provisions in the code relating to any question that might arise. However, the user should note that most of the administrative ordinances (e.g. Annual Budget, Zoning Map Amendments, Tax Assessments, etc...) do not appear in the code. Likewise, ordinances that have been passed since the last update of the code do not appear here. Therefore, the user should refer to the town's ordinance book or the town recorder for a comprehensive and up to date review of the town's ordinances.

Following this preface is an outline of the ordinance adoption procedures, if any, prescribed by the town's charter.

The code has been arranged and prepared in loose-leaf form to facilitate keeping it up to date. MTAS will provide updating service under the following conditions:

- (1) That all ordinances relating to subjects treated in the code or which should be added to the code are adopted as amending, adding, or deleting specific chapters or sections of the code (see section 7 of the adopting ordinance).
- (2) That one copy of every ordinance adopted by the town is kept in a separate ordinance book and forwarded to MTAS annually.
- (3) That the town agrees to pay the annual update fee as provided in the MTAS codification service charges policy in effect at the time of the update.

When the foregoing conditions are met MTAS will reproduce replacement pages for the code to reflect the amendments and additions made by such ordinances. This service will be performed at least annually and more often if justified by the volume of amendments. Replacement pages will be supplied with detailed instructions for utilizing them so as again to make the code complete and up to date.

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ORDINANCE ADOPTION PROCEDURES PRESCRIBED BY THE TOWN CHARTER

Art. IV...

Section II. All ordinances shall begin with the clause, "Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee." An ordinance may be introduced by the mayor or any of the four (4) commissioners. The body of ordinances may be omitted from the minutes on first passage, but reference therein shall be made to the ordinance by title and subject matter. Every ordinance shall be passed on two (2) different days, at regular, special or adjourned meetings, with at least one (1) passage occurring at a regular meeting. Copies of the text of every ordinance must be made available to the public during every meeting in which the ordinance is subject to passage. Every ordinance must receive at least, a majority vote on each passage as defined in Section 10 of this Article. Every ordinance shall be effective upon final passage unless by its terms the effective date is deferred. Every ordinance upon final passage shall be signed by the mayor, and shall be immediately taken charge of by the recorder and numbered, copied in an ordinance book and there authenticated by the signature of the Recorder, and filed and preserved in the recorder's office.

TITLE 1

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION¹

CHAPTER

- 1. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
- 2. MAYOR.
- 3. RECORDER.
- 4. MISCELLANEOUS.
- 5. TOWN MANAGER.
- 6. CODE OF ETHICS.
- 7. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER.

CHAPTER 1

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS²

SECTION

- 1-101. Time and place of regular meetings.
- 1-102. Order of business.
- 1-103. General rules of order.

1-101. <u>Time and place of regular meetings</u>. The board of commissioners shall hold regular monthly meetings at 6:00 P.M. on the second Monday of each month at the community center. (1997 Code, § 1-101, modified)

See the charter index, the charter itself, and footnote references to the charter in the front of this code.

Municipal code references

Building, plumbing, electrical and gas inspectors: title 12.

Fire department: title 7. Utilities: titles 18 and 19. Water and sewers: title 18.

Zoning: title 14.

²Charter references

Eligibility: art. IV, § 1(b). Meetings: art. IV, § 8. Oath of office: art. IV, § 9. Quorum: art. IV, § 10.

Term of office: art. IV, § 1(c).

¹Charter reference

- **1-102.** <u>Order of business</u>. At each meeting of the board of commissioners the following regular order of business shall be observed unless dispensed with by a majority vote of the members present:
 - (1) Call to order by the mayor.
 - (2) Roll call by the recorder.
- (3) Reading of minutes of the previous meeting by the recorder and approval or correction.
 - (4) Grievances from citizens.
 - (5) Communications from the mayor.
- (6) Reports from committees, members of the board of commissioners, and other officers.
 - (7) Old business.
 - (8) New business.
 - (9) Adjournment. (1997 Code, § 1-102)
- 1-103. <u>General rules of order</u>. The rules of order and parliamentary procedure contained in <u>Robert's Rules of Order</u>, <u>Newly Revised</u>, shall govern the transaction of business by and before the board of commissioners at its meetings in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with provisions of the charter or this code. (1997 Code, § 1-103)

\underline{MAYOR}^1

SECTION

- 1-201. Executive responsibilities.
- 1-202. Executes municipality's contracts.
- **1-201.** Executive responsibilities. The mayor may require such reports from the officers and employees as he may reasonably deem necessary to carry out his executive responsibilities. (Ord. #091205-68, Oct. 2005)
- **1-202.** Executes municipality's contracts. The mayor shall execute all contracts as authorized by the board of commissioners. (1997 Code, § 1-202)

¹Charter references

Eligibility: art. IV, § 1(b). Oath of office: art. IV, § 9. Term of office: art. IV, § 1(c).

RECORDER¹

SECTION

- 1-301. To be bonded.
- 1-302. To keep minutes, etc.
- 1-303. To perform general administrative duties, etc.
- **1-301.** To be bonded. The recorder shall be bonded in the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), with surety acceptable to the board of commissioners, before assuming the duties of his office. (1997 Code, § 1-301)
- **1-302.** To keep minutes, etc. The recorder shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the board of commissioners and shall preserve the original copy of all ordinances in a separate ordinance book. (1997 Code, § 1-302)
- 1-303. <u>To perform general administrative duties, etc</u>. The recorder shall perform all administrative duties for the board of commissioners and for the Town of Englewood which are not expressly assigned by the charter or this code to another corporate officer. The recorder shall also have custody of and be responsible for maintaining all corporate bonds, records, and papers in such fireproof vault or safe as the Town of Englewood shall provide. (1997 Code, § 1-303)

Appointment: art. VII, § 1. Bond required: art. VII, § 1. Compensation: art. VII, § 1. Powers and duties: art. VII.

Treasurer; recorder acts as: art. VII, § 6.

¹Charter references

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION

1-401. Discrimination prohibited.

1-401. <u>Discrimination prohibited</u>. The Town of Englewood shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or religion. $(1997 \text{ Code}, \S 1-401)$

TOWN MANAGER

SECTION

- 1-501. Appointment; at will status; residency.
- 1-502. Duties.
- 1-503. Vacancies.
- **1-501.** Appointment; at will status; residency. The board of commissioners shall appoint a town manager who shall serve at the will and pleasure of the board. The town manager need not be a resident, but must become a resident within ninety (90) days after taking office. (Ord. #091205-67, Oct. 2005)
- **1-502. Duties**. The town manager shall perform all of the following duties:
- (1) Employ, promote, discipline, suspend and discharge all employees and department heads, in accordance with personnel policies and procedures, if any, adopted by the board;
- (2) Act as purchasing agent for the municipality in the purchase of all materials, supplies and equipment for the proper conduct of the municipality's business provided, that all purchases shall be made in accordance with policies, practices, and procedures established by the board, in accordance with state law;
- (3) Prepare and submit the annual budget and capital program to the board for their adoption by ordinance;
 - (4) Administer the business of the town;
- (5) Make recommendations to the board for improving the quality and quantity of public services to be rendered by the officers and employees to the inhabitants of the town;
- (6) Keep the board fully advised as to the conditions and needs of the town;
- (7) Report to the board the condition of all property, real and personal, owned by the town and recommend repairs or replacements as needed;
- (8) Recommend to the board and suggest the priority of programs or projects involving public works or public improvements that should be undertaken by the town;
- (9) Recommend specific personnel positions, as may be required for the needs and operations of the town, and may propose personnel policies and procedures for approval of the board; and
- (10) Perform such other duties as may from time to time be designated or required by the board. (Ord. #091205-67, Oct. 2005)

1-503. <u>Vacancies</u>. During a vacancy in the office of town manager, the board of commissioners may appoint an acting town manager, may designate a department head as acting town manager or may assign the duties of the town manager to the mayor. (Ord. #091205-67, Oct. 2005)

CODE OF ETHICS¹

SECTION

- 1-601. Applicability.
- 1-602. Definition of "personal interest."
- 1-603. Disclosure of personal interest by official with vote.
- 1-604. Disclosure of personal interest in non-voting matters.
- 1-605. Acceptance of gratuities, etc.
- 1-606. Use of information.
- 1-607. Use of municipal time, facilities, etc.
- 1-608. Use of position or authority.
- 1-609. Outside employment.

¹State statutes dictate many of the ethics provisions that apply to municipal officials and employees. For provisions relative to the following, see the Tennessee Code Annotated (T.C.A.) sections indicated:

Campaign finance: Tennessee Code Annotated, title 2, ch. 10.

Conflict of interests: <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 6-54-107, 108; 12-4-101, 102.

Conflict of interests disclosure statements: <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 8-50-501 and the following sections.

Consulting fee prohibition for elected municipal officials: <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 2-10-122, 124.

Crimes involving public officials (bribery, soliciting unlawful compensation, buying and selling in regard to office): <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 39-16-101 and the following sections.

Crimes of official misconduct, official oppression, misuse of official information: <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>,§ 39-16-401 and the following sections.

Ouster law: <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 8-47-101 and the following sections.

A brief synopsis of each of these laws appears in Appendix A of this municipal code.

- 1-610. Ethics complaints.
- 1-611. Violations.
- 1-601. Applicability. This chapter is the code of ethics for personnel of the municipality. It applies to all full-time and part-time elected or appointed officials and employees, whether compensated or not, including those of any separate board, commission, committee, authority, corporation, or other instrumentality appointed or created by the municipality. The words "municipal" and "municipality" include these separate entities. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)
- **1-602. Definition of "personal interest**." (1) For purposes of §§ 1-603 and 1-604, "personal interest" means:
 - (a) Any financial, ownership, or employment interest in the subject of a vote by a municipal board not otherwise regulated by state statutes on conflicts of interests; or
 - (b) Any financial, ownership, or employment interest in a matter to be regulated or supervised; or
 - (c) Any such financial, ownership, or employment interest of the official's or employee's spouse, parent(s), step parent(s), grandparent(s), sibling(s), child(ren), or step child(ren).
- (2) The words "employment interest" include a situation in which an official or employee or a designated family member is negotiating possible employment with a person or organization that is the subject of the vote or that is to be regulated or supervised.
- (3) In any situation in which a personal interest is also a conflict of interest under state law, the provisions of the state law take precedence over the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)
- 1-603. <u>Disclosure of personal interest by official with vote</u>. An official with the responsibility to vote on a measure shall disclose during the meeting at which the vote takes place, before the vote and so it appears in the minutes, any personal interest that affects or that would lead a reasonable person to infer that it affects the official's vote on the measure. In addition, the official may recuse himself¹ from voting on the measure. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)
- **1-604.** <u>Disclosure of personal interest in non-voting matters</u>. An official or employee who must exercise discretion relative to any matter, other than casting a vote, and who has a personal interest in the matter that affects

¹Masculine pronouns include the feminine. Only masculine pronouns have been used for convenience and readability.

or that would lead a reasonable person to infer that it affects the exercise of the discretion shall disclose, before the exercise of the discretion when possible, the interest on a form provided by and filed with the recorder. In addition, the official or employee may, to the extent allowed by law, charter, ordinance, or policy, recuse himself from the exercise of discretion in the matter. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)

- **1-605.** Acceptance of gratuities, etc. An official or employee may not accept, directly or indirectly, any money, gift, gratuity, or other consideration or favor of any kind from anyone other than the municipality:
- (1) For the performance of an act, or refraining from performance of an act, that he would be expected to perform, or refrain from performing, in the regular course of his duties; or
- (2) That might reasonably be interpreted as an attempt to influence his action, or reward him for past action, in executing municipal business. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)
- **1-606.** <u>Use of information</u>. (1) An official or employee may not disclose any information obtained in his official capacity or position of employment that is made confidential under state or federal law except as authorized by law.
- (2) An official or employee may not use or disclose information obtained in his official capacity or position of employment with the intent to result in financial gain for himself or any other person or entity. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)
- **1-607.** <u>Use of municipal time, facilities, etc.</u> (1) An official or employee may not use or authorize the use of municipal time, facilities, equipment, or supplies for private gain or advantage to himself.
- (2) An official or employee may not use or authorize the use of municipal time, facilities, equipment, or supplies for private gain or advantage to any private person or entity, except as authorized by legitimate contract or lease that is determined by the governing body to be in the best interests of the municipality. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)
- **1-608.** <u>Use of position or authority.</u> (1) An official or employee may not make or attempt to make private purchases, for cash or otherwise, in the name of the municipality.
- (2) An official or employee may not use or attempt to use his position to secure any privilege or exemption for himself or others that is not authorized by the charter, general law, or ordinance or policy of the municipality. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)
- **1-609.** Outside employment. An official or employee may not accept or continue any outside employment if the work unreasonably inhibits the

performance of any affirmative duty of the municipal position or conflicts with any provision of the municipality's charter or any ordinance or policy. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)

- **1-610.** Ethics complaints. (1) The town attorney is designated as the ethics officer of the municipality. Upon the written request of an official or employee potentially affected by a provision of this chapter, the town attorney may render an oral or written advisory ethics opinion based upon this chapter and other applicable law.
 - (2) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the town attorney shall investigate any credible complaint against an appointed official or employee charging any violation of this chapter, or may undertake an investigation on his own initiative when he acquires information indicating a possible violation, and make recommendations for action to end or seek retribution for any activity that, in the attorney's judgment, constitutes a violation of this code of ethics.
 - (b) The town attorney may request the governing body to hire another attorney, individual, or entity to act as ethics officer when he has or will have a conflict of interests in a particular matter.
 - (c) When a complaint of a violation of any provision of this chapter is lodged against a member of the municipality's governing body, the governing body shall either determine that the complaint has merit, determine that the complaint does not have merit, or determine that the complaint has sufficient merit to warrant further investigation. If the governing body determines that a complaint warrants further investigation, it shall authorize an investigation by the town attorney or another individual or entity chosen by the governing body.
- (3) The interpretation that a reasonable person in the circumstances would apply shall be used in interpreting and enforcing this code of ethics.
- (4) When a violation of this code of ethics also constitutes a violation of a personnel policy, rule, or regulation or a civil service policy, rule, or regulation, the violation shall be dealt with as a violation of the personnel or civil service provisions rather than as a violation of this code of ethics. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)
- 1-611. <u>Violations</u>. An elected official or appointed member of a separate municipal board, commission, committee, authority, corporation, or other instrumentality who violates any provision of this chapter is subject to punishment as provided by the municipality's charter or other applicable law, and in addition is subject to censure by the governing body. An appointed official or an employee who violates any provision of this chapter is subject to disciplinary action. (Ord. #05-14-07-82, May 2007)

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER

SECTION

- 1-701. Municipal administrative hearing officer.
- 1-702. Communication by administrative hearing officer and parties.
- 1-703. Appearance by parties and/or counsel.
- 1-704. Pre-hearing conference and orders.
- 1-705. Appointment of administrative hearing officer/administrative judge.
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- 1-707. Jurisdiction not exclusive.
- 1-708. Citations for violations--written notice.
- 1-709. Review of citation--levy of fines.
- 1-710. Party in default.
- 1-711. Petitions for intervention.
- 1-712. Regulating course of proceedings--hearing open to public.
- 1-713. Evidence and affidavits; notice.
- 1-714. Final orders.
- 1-715. Final order effective date.
- 1-716. Collection of fines, judgments and debts.
- 1-717. Judicial review of final order.
- 1-718. Appeal to court of appeals.
- 1-701. <u>Municipal administrative hearing officer</u>. (1) In accordance with <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 6, chapter 54, part 10, there is hereby created the office of administrative hearing officer to hear violations of any of the provisions codified in the Town of Englewood, Tennessee Municipal Code relating to building and property maintenance including:
 - (a) Building codes found at title 12, chapter 1;
 - (b) Residential codes found at title 12, chapter 6;
 - (c) Plumbing codes found at title 12, chapter 2.
 - (d) Electrical codes found at title 12, chapter 3;
 - (e) Gas codes found at title 12, chapter 4;
 - (f) Mechanical codes found at title 12, chapter 8:
 - (g) Energy codes found at title 12, chapter 5;
 - (h) Property maintenance codes title 13, chapter 1; and
 - (i) All ordinances regulating any subject matter commonly found in the above-described codes.

The administrative hearing officer is not authorized to hear violation codes adopted by the state fire marshal pursuant to <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 68-120-101(a) enforced by deputy building inspector pursuant to <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 68-120-101(f).

The utilization of the administrative hearing officer shall be at the discretion of the administrative hearing officer and shall be an alternative to the enforcement in the Town of Englewood Municipal Court.

- (2) There is hereby created one (1) administrative hearing officer position to be appointed pursuant to § 1-705 below.
- (3) The amount of compensation for the administrative hearing officer shall be approved by the town manager.
- (4) Clerical and administrative support for the office of administrative hearing officer shall be provided as determined by the town manager.
- (5) The administrative hearing officer shall perform all of the duties and abide by all of the requirements provided in <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 6, chapter 54, section 1001, <u>et seq</u>. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- 1-702. <u>Communication by administrative hearing officer and parties</u>. (1) Unless required for the disposition of ex parte matters specifically authorized by statute, an administrative hearing officer presiding over a contested case proceeding may not communicate, directly or indirectly, regarding any issue in the proceeding, while the proceeding is pending, with any person without notice and opportunity for all parties to participate in the communication.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), an administrative hearing officer may communicate with municipal employees or officials regarding a matter pending before the administrative body or may receive aid from staff assistants, members of the staff of the city attorney or a licensed attorney, if such persons do not receive ex parte communications of a type that the administrative hearing officer would be prohibited from receiving, and do not furnish, augment, diminish or modify the evidence in the record.
- (3) Unless required for the disposition ex parte matters specifically authorized by statute, no party to a contested case, and no other person may communicate, directly or indirectly, in connection with any issue in that proceeding, while the proceeding is pending, with any person serving as an administrative hearing officer without notice and opportunity for all parties to participate in the communication.
- (4) If, before serving as an administrative hearing officer in a contested case, a person receives an ex parte communication of a type that may not properly be received while serving, the person, promptly after starting to serve, shall disclose the communication in the manner prescribed in subsection (5).
- (5) An administrative hearing officer who receives an ex parte communication in violation of this section shall place on the record of the pending matter all written communications received, all written responses to the communications, and a memorandum stating the substance of all oral communications received, all responses made, and the identity of each person from whom the person received an ex parte communication, and shall advise all

parties that these matters have been placed on the record. Any party desiring to rebut the ex parte communication shall be allowed to do so, upon requesting the opportunity for rebuttal within ten (10) business days after notice of the communication. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)

- **1-703.** Appearance by parties and/or counsel. (1) Any party may participate in the hearing in person or, if the party is a corporation or other artificial person, by a duly authorized representative.
- (2) Whether or not participating in person, any party may be advised and represented at the party's own expense by counsel or, unless prohibited by any provision of law, other representative. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
 - **1-704.** Pre-hearing conference and orders. (1)(a) In any action set for hearing, the administrative hearing officer, upon the administrative hearing officer's own motion, or upon motion of one (1) of the parties or such party's qualified representatives, may direct the parties or the attorneys for the parties, or both, to appear before the administrative hearing officer for a conference to consider:
 - (i) The simplification of issues;
 - (ii) The possibility of obtaining admissions of fact and of documents that will avoid unnecessary proof;
 - (iii) The limitation of the number of witnesses; and
 - (iv) Such other matters as may aid in the disposition of the action.
 - (b) The administrative hearing officer shall make an order that recites the action taken at the conference, and the agreements made by the parties as to any of the matters considered, and that limits the issues for hearing to those not disposed of by admissions or agreements of the parties. Such order when entered controls the subsequent course of the action, unless modified at the hearing to prevent manifest injustice.
- (2) Upon reasonable notice to all parties, the administrative hearing officer may convene a hearing or convert a pre-hearing conference to a hearing, to be conducted by the administrative hearing officer sitting alone, to consider argument or evidence, or both, on any question of law.
- (3) In the discretion of the administrative hearing officer, all or part of the pre-hearing conference may be conducted by telephone, television or other electronic means, if each participant in the conference has an opportunity to participate in, to hear, and, if technically feasible, to see the entire proceeding while it is taking place.
- (4) If a pre-hearing conference is not held, the administrative hearing officer may issue a pre-hearing order, based on the pleadings, to regulate the conduct of the proceedings. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)

- 1-705. Appointment of administrative hearing officer/administrative judge. (1) The administrative hearing officer shall be appointed by the town manager and serve at the pleasure of the town manager. Such administrative hearing officer may be hired on a part-time or full-time basis, by contract or by interlocal agreement with one (1) or more eligible municipalities.
 - (2) An administrative hearing officer shall be one (1) of the following:
 - (a) Licensed building inspector;
 - (b) Licensed plumbing inspector;
 - (c) Licensed electrical inspector;
 - (d) Licensed attorney;
 - (e) Licensed architect; or
 - (f) Licensed engineer.
- (3) The town may also contract with the administrative procedures division, office of the treasury of state to employ an administrative law judge on a temporary basis to serve as an administrative hearing officer. Such administrative law judge shall not be subject to the training or continuing education requirements of subsection 6-54-1007(a) and (b). (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- 1-706. <u>Training and continuing education</u>. (1) Each person appointed to serve as an administrative hearing officer shall, within six (6) month period immediately following the date of such appointment, participate in a program of training conducted by the University of Tennessee's Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS), or its designee(s). MTAS shall issue a certification of participation to each person whose attendance is satisfactory.
- (2) Each person actively serving as an administrative hearing officer shall complete six (6) hours of continuing education every calendar year. The education required by this section shall be in addition to any other continuing education requirements required for other professional licenses held by the administrative hearing officer(s). No continuing education hours from one (1) calendar year may be carried over to a subsequent calendar year. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- 1-707. <u>Jurisdiction not exclusive</u>. The power and authority vested in the office of administrative hearing is not exclusive and does not terminate or diminish any other existing municipal power or authority. The town manager may direct a municipal officer or employee to develop criteria for determining when to exercise administrative enforcement. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- **1-708.** <u>Citations for violations—written notice</u>. (1) Upon the issuance of a citation for violation of a municipal ordinance referenced in the

city's administrative hearing ordinance, the issuing officer shall provide written notice of:

- (a) A short and plain statement of the matters asserted. If the issuing officer is unable to state the matters in detail at the time the citation is served, the initial notice may be limited to a statement of the issues involved and the ordinance violations alleged. Thereafter, upon timely, written application a more definite and detailed statement shall be furnished ten (10) business days prior to the time set for the hearing;
- (b) A short and plain description of the town's administrative hearing process including references to state and local statutory authority;
- (c) Contact information for the town's administrative hearing office; and
- (d) Time frame in which the hearing officer will review the citation and determine the fine and remedial period, if any.
- (2) Citations issued for violations of ordinances referenced in the town's administrative hearing ordinance shall be signed by the alleged violator at the time of issuance. If an alleged violator refuses to sign, the issuing officer shall not the refusal and attest to the alleged violator's receipt of the citation. An alleged violator's signature on a citation is not admission of guilt.
- (3) Citations issued upon absentee property owners may be served via certified mail sent to the last known address of the recorded owner of the property.
- (4) Citations issued for violations of ordinances referenced in the town's administrative hearing ordinance shall be transmitted to an administrative hearing officer within two (2) business days of issuance. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- 1-709. Review of citation—levy of fines. (1) Upon receipt of a citation issued pursuant to § 1-707, the administrative hearing officer shall, within seven (7) business days of receipt, review the appropriateness of an alleged violation. Upon determining that a violation does exist, the hearing officer has the authority to levy a fine upon the alleged violator in accordance with this section. Any fine levied by a hearing officer must be reasonable based upon the totality of the circumstances.
 - (a) For violations occurring upon residential property a hearing officer has the authority to levy a fine upon the violator not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per violation. For purposes of the administrative hearing officer program, "residential property" means a single family dwelling principally used as the property owner's primary residence and the real property upon which it sits.
 - (b) For violations occurring upon non-residential property a hearing officer has the authority to levy a fine upon the violator not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per violation per day. For purposes

- of the administrative hearing officer program, "non-residential property" means all real property, structures, buildings and dwellings that are not residential property.
- (2) If a fine is levied pursuant to subsection (1), the hearing officer shall set a reasonable period of time to allow the alleged violator to remedy the violation alleged in the citation before the fine is imposed. The remedial period shall be no less than ten (10) or greater than one hundred twenty (120) calendar days, except where failure to remedy the alleged violation in less than ten (10) calendar days would pose an imminent threat to the health, safety or welfare of persons or property in the adjacent area.
- (3) Upon the levy of a fine pursuant to subsection (1), the hearing officer shall within seven (7) business days, provide via certified mail notice to the alleged violator of:
 - (a) The fine and remedial period established pursuant to subsections (1) and (2);
 - (b) A statement of the time, place, nature of the hearing, and the right to be represented by counsel; and
 - (c) A statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held, including a reference to the particular sections of the statutes and rules involved.
- (4) The date of the hearing shall be no less than thirty (30) calendar days following the issuance of the citation. To confirm the hearing, the alleged violator must make a written request for the hearing to the hearing officer within seven (7) business days of receipt of the notice required in subsection (3).
- (5) If an alleged violator demonstrates to the issuing officer's satisfaction that the allegations contained in the citation have been remedied to the issuing officer's satisfaction, the fine levied pursuant to subsection (1) shall not be imposed or if already imposed cease; and the hearing date, if the hearing has not yet occurred, shall be cancelled. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- 1-710. <u>Party in default</u>. (1) If a party fails to attend or participate in a pre-hearing conference, hearing or other stage of a contested case, the administrative hearing officer may hold the party in default and either adjourn the proceedings or conduct them without the participation of that party, having due regard for the interest of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings.
- (2) If the proceedings are conducted without the participation of the party in default, the administrative hearing officer shall include in the final order a written notice of default and a written statement of the grounds for the default. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- **1-711.** <u>Petitions for intervention</u>. (1) The administrative hearing officer shall grant one (1) or more petitions for intervention if:

- (a) The petition is submitted in writing to the administrative hearing officer, with copies mailed to all parties named in the notice of the hearing, at least seven (7) business days before the hearing;
- (b) The petition states facts demonstrating that the petitioner's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interest may be determined in the proceeding or that the petitioner qualifies as an intervener under any provision of law; and
- (c) The administrative hearing officer determines that the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings shall not be impaired by allowing the intervention.
- (2) If a petitioner qualifies for intervention, the administrative hearing officer may impose conditions upon the intervener's participation in the proceedings, either at the time that intervention is granted or at any subsequent time. Conditions may include:
 - (a) Limiting the intervenor's participation to designated issues in which the intervener has a particular interest demonstrated by the petition;
 - (b) Limiting the intervenor's participation so as to promote the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings; and
 - (c) Requiring two (2) or more intervenors to combine their participation in the proceedings.
- (3) The administrative hearing officer, at least twenty-four (24) hours before the hearing, shall render an order granting or denying each pending petition for intervention, specifying any conditions, and briefly stating the reasons for the order. The administrative hearing officer may modify the order at any time, stating the reasons for the modification. The administrative hearing officer shall promptly give notice of an order granting, denying or modifying intervention to the petitioner for intervention and to all parties. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)

1-712. Regulating course of proceedings--hearing open to public.

- (1) The administrative hearing officer shall regulate the course of the proceedings, in conformity with the pre-hearing order, if any.
- (2) To the extent necessary for full disclosure of all relevant facts and issues, the administrative hearing officer shall afford to all parties the opportunity to respond, present evidence and argument, conduct cross-examination, and submit rebuttal evidence, except as restricted by a limited grant of intervention or by the pre-hearing order.
- (3) In the discretion of the administrative hearing officer and by agreement of the parties, all or part of the hearing may be conducted by telephone, television or other electronic means, if each participant in the hearing has an opportunity to participate in, to hear, and, if technically feasible, to see the entire proceedings while taking place.

(4) The hearing shall be open to public observation pursuant to <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 8, chapter 44, unless otherwise provided by state or federal law. To the extent that a hearing is conducted by telephone, television or other electronic means, the availability of public observation shall be satisfied by giving members of the public an opportunity, at reasonable times, to hear the tape recording and to inspect any transcript produced, if any. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)

1-713. Evidence and affidavits; notice. (1) In an administrative hearing:

- (a) The administrative hearing officer shall admit and give probative effect to evidence admissible in a court, and when necessary to ascertain facts not reasonably susceptible to proof under the rules of court, evidence not admissible thereunder may be admitted if it is of a type commonly relied upon by reasonably prudent men in the conduct of their affairs. The administrative hearing officer shall give effect to the rules of privilege recognized by law and to statutes protecting the confidentiality of certain records, and shall exclude evidence which in his or her judgment is irrelevant, immaterial or unduly repetitious;
- (b) At any time not less than ten (10) business days prior to a hearing or a continued hearing, any party shall deliver to the opposing party a copy of any affidavit such party proposes to introduce in evidence, together with a notice in the form provided in subsection (2). Unless the opposing party, within seven (7) business days after delivery, delivers to the proponent a request to cross-examine an affiant, the opposing party's right to cross-examination of such affiant is waived and the affidavit, if introduced in evidence, shall be given the same effect as if the affiant had testified orally. If an opportunity to cross-examine an affiant is not afforded after a proper request is made as provided in this subsection (b), the affidavit shall not be admitted into evidence. "Delivery," for purposes of this section, means actual receipt:
- (c) The administrative hearing officer may admit affidavits not submitted in accordance with this section where necessary to prevent injustice:
- (d) Documentary evidence otherwise admissible may be received in the form of copies or excerpts, or by incorporation by reference to material already on file with the municipality. Upon request, parties shall be given an opportunity to compare the copy with the original, if reasonably available; and
 - (e) (i) Official notice may be taken of:
 - (A) Any fact that could be judicially noticed in the courts of this state;
 - (B) The record of other proceedings before the agency; or

(C) Technical or scientific matters within the administrative hearing officer's specialized knowledge; and (ii) Parties must be notified before or during the hearing, or before the issuance of any final order that is based in whole or in part on facts or material notice, of the specific facts or material noticed and the source thereof, including any staff memoranda and

data, and be afforded an opportunity to contest and rebut the facts

(2) The notice referred to in subsection (b) shall contain the following information and be substantially in the following form:

or material so noticed.

The accompanying affidavit of (here inse	ert
name of affiant) will be introduced as evidence at the hearing	in
(here insert title of proceeding) (here insert	ert
name of affiant) will not be called to testify orally and you will r	ot
be entitled to question such affiant unless you notify	
(here insert name of the proponent or the proponent's attorney)	
(here insert address) that you wish to cross-exami	ne
such affiant. To be effective, our request must be mailed	
delivered to (here insert name of proponent or t	
proponent's attorney) on or before (here insert a da	
seven (7) business days after the date of mailing or delivering t	
affidavit to the opposing party). (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-6	
Oct. 2011)	- /

- **1-714. Final orders**. (1) An administrative hearing officer shall render a final order in all cases brought before his or her body.
- (2) A final order shall include conclusions of law, the policy reasons therefor, and findings of fact for all aspects of the order, including the remedy prescribed. Findings of fact, if set forth in language that is no more than mere repetition or paraphrase of the relevant provision of law, shall be accompanied by a concise and explicit statement of the underlying facts of record to support the findings. The final order must also include a statement of the available procedures and time limits for seeking reconsideration or other administrative relief and the time limits for seeking judicial review of the final order.
- (3) Findings of fact shall be based exclusively upon the evidence of record in the adjudicative proceeding and on matters officially noticed in that proceeding. The administrative hearing officer's experience, technical competence and specialized knowledge may be utilized in the evaluation of evidence.
- (4) If an individual serving or designated to serve as an administrative hearing officer becomes unavailable, for any reason, before rendition of the final order, a qualified substitute shall be appointed. The substitute shall use any existing record and may conduct any further proceedings as is appropriate in the interest of justice.

- (5) The administrative hearing officer may allow the parties a designated amount of time after conclusion of the hearing for the submission of proposed findings.
- (6) A final order rendered pursuant to subsection (1) shall be rendered in writing within seven (7) business days after conclusion of the hearing or after submission of proposed findings unless such period is waived or extended with the written consent of all parties or for good cause shown.
- (7) The administrative hearing officer shall cause copies of the final order under subsection (1) to be delivered to each party. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- **1-715.** <u>Final order effective date</u>. (1) All final orders shall state when the order is entered and effective.
- (2) A party may not be required to comply with a final order unless the final order has been mailed to the last known address of the party or unless the party has actual knowledge of the final order. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- 1-716. <u>Collection of fines, judgments and debts</u>. The town may collect a fine levied pursuant to this section by any legal means available to a municipality to collect any other fine, judgment or debt. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)
- **1-717.** <u>Judicial review of final order</u>. (1) A person who is aggrieved by a final decision in a contested case is entitled to judicial review pursuant to <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 6, chapter 54, part 10, which shall be the only available method of judicial review.
- (2) Proceedings for judicial review of a final order are instituted by filing a petition for review in the chancery court in the county where the municipality lies. Such petition must be filed within sixty (60) calendar days after the entry of the final order that is the subject of the review.
- (3) The filing of the petition for review does not itself stay enforcement of the final order. The reviewing court may order a stay on appropriate terms, but if it is shown to the satisfaction of the reviewing court, in a hearing that shall be held within ten (10) business days of a request for hearing by either party, that any party or the public at large may suffer injury by reason of the granting of a stay, then no stay shall be granted until a good and sufficient bond, in an amount fixed and approved by the court, shall be given by the petitioner conditioned to indemnify the other persons who might be so injured and if no bond amount is sufficient, the stay shall be denied.
- (4) Within forty-five (45) calendar days after service of the petition, or within further time allowed by the court, the administrative hearing officer shall transmit to the reviewing court the original or a certified copy of the entire record of the proceeding under review. By stipulation of all the parties of the

review proceedings, the record may be shortened. A party unreasonably refusing to stipulate to limit the record may be taxed by the court for the additional cost. The court may require or permit subsequent corrections or additions to the record.

- (5) If, before the date set for hearing, application is made to the court for leave to present additional evidence, and it is shown to the satisfaction of the court that the additional evidence is material and that there were good reasons for failure to present it in the administrative proceeding, the court may order that the additional evidence be taken before the administrative hearing officer upon conditions determined by the court. The administrative hearing officer may modify its findings and decision by reason of the additional evidence and shall file that evidence and any modifications, new findings or decisions with the reviewing court.
- (6) The procedure ordinarily followed in the reviewing court will be followed in the review of contested cases decided by the administrative hearing officer, except as otherwise provided in this chapter. The administrative hearing officer that issued the decision to be reviewed is not required to file a responsive pleading.
- (7) The review shall be conducted by the court without a jury and shall be confined to the record. In cases of alleged irregularities in procedure before the administrative hearing officer, not shown in the record, proof thereon may be taken in the court.
- (8) The court may affirm the decision of the administrative hearing officer or remand the case for further proceedings. The court may reverse or modify the decision if the rights of the petitioner have been prejudiced because the administrative findings, inferences, conclusions or decisions are:
 - (a) In violation of constitutional or statutory provisions;
 - (b) In excess of the statutory authority of the administrative hearing officer;
 - (c) Made upon unlawful procedure;
 - (d) Arbitrary or capricious or characterized by abuse of discretion or clearly unwarranted exercise of discretion; or
 - (e) Unsupported by evidence that is both substantial and material in the light of the entire record. In determining the substantiality of evidence, the court shall take into account whatever in the record fairly detracts from its weight, but the court shall not substitute its judgment for that of the administrative hearing officer as to the weight of the evidence on questions of fact.
- (9) No administrative hearing decision pursuant to a hearing shall be reversed, remanded or modified by the reviewing court unless for errors that affect the merits of such decision.
- (10) The reviewing court shall reduce its findings of fact and conclusions of law to writing and make them parts of the record. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)

- **1-718.** <u>Appeal to court of appeals</u>. (1) An aggrieved party may obtain a review of any final judgment of the chancery court under this chapter by appeal to the court of appeals of Tennessee.
- (2) The record certified to the chancery court and the record in the chancery court shall constitute the record in an appeal. Evidence taken in court pursuant to title 24 shall become a part of the record.
- (3) The procedure on appeal shall be governed by the Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure. (as added by Ord. #10-10-11-63, Oct. 2011)

TITLE 2

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, ETC.

CHAPTER

- 1. PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD.
- 2. LIBRARY BOARD.

CHAPTER 1

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

SECTION

- 2-101. Creation of board.
- 2-102. Appointments to board.
- 2-103. Election of chairman; by-laws.
- 2-104. Director of parks is ex-officio member; duties.
- 2-105. Minutes.
- **2-101.** <u>Creation of board</u>. There is hereby created a parks and recreation advisory board for the Town of Englewood. (1997 Code, § 2-101)
- **2-102. Appointments to board**. The following bona fide residents of Englewood shall be appointed to serve as the first board with terms of office as are described below:

Ralph Davis/1 year Bobbie Dickson/1 year Cathy Richesion/2 years

Bob Cass/2 years
Will Case/4 years
Stanhania Range/5

Raymond Roach/3 years

Stephanie Raper/3 years

(1997 Code, § 2-102)

- **2-103.** Election of chairman; by-laws. The above appointed members shall meet within ten days from the passage of this ordinance for the purpose of electing a chairman and adopting by-laws. (1997 Code, § 2-103)
- **2-104.** <u>Director of parks is ex-officio member; duties</u>. The director of parks and recreation shall be ex-officio member of this board, and shall be responsible for coordinating meeting places, announcements, minutes and logistical matters in order to expedite the board's function. (1997 Code, § 2-104)
- **2-105.** <u>Minutes</u>. The board shall send copies of minutes of all meetings to the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood. (1997 Code, § 2-105)

LIBRARY BOARD

- 2-201. Creation of board.
- 2-202. Membership of board
- 2-203. Compensation of board members.
- 2-204. Appointments to the board.
- 2-205. Removal from board vacancies filled.
- 2-206. Meetings of the board.
- 2-207. Appointment of librarian.
- 2-208. Donations, gifts, and contributions.
- 2-209. Title to property acquired by the board.
- 2-210. Library use by city inhabitants.
- 2-211. Library board's powers and duties.
- 2-212. Miscellaneous.
- **2-201.** Creation of board. Pursuant to the charter of the city and the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 10-3-101 et seq., there is hereby created a public library board in and for the city, consisting of seven members, known as library directors. The chapter is intended to and does hereby repeal and replace the current library board chapter appearing as Chapter 2, §§ 2-201 through 2-204 adopted by ordinance dated June 19, 1999. (1997 Code, § 2-201)
- **2-202.** Membership of board. The members of the public library board shall be citizens of McMinn County Tennessee and qualified to vote in McMinn County Tennessee. No official; employee of the city nor member of any city board shall be a member or director of the public library board except that the mayor or a city council member may serve. No more than five members of the directors shall be of the same sex. (1997 Code, § 2-202)
- **2-203.** Compensation of board members. The members of the public library board shall serve without salary or other compensation. (1997 Code, § 2-203)
- **2-204. Appointments to the board.** The city council shall elect or appoint seven members or directors to membership on the public library board one of which shall be the mayor or city council member appointed by the mayor; three for a term of one year, two for a term of two years and two for a term of three years. All succeeding members or directors of the public library board shall be elected for terms of three years. The annual election of new members or directors of the public library board shall be made at a regular meeting of the council coming annually, as near as practicable, after the date upon which the first board is elected or appointed as provided in this section. Every qualified

person so elected or appointed to membership on the public library board shall hold office for his/her elected term and until his/her successor is elected. (1997 Code, § 2-204)

- 2-205. Removal from board vacancies filled. Any member or director of the public library board may be removed from office by majority vote of the council for failure to attend meetings of the board, for any other neglect of duties as such member or director or for any misconduct in office. The council shall fill vacancies occurring in the membership of the public library board, whether caused by death, resignation, disability, removal from office by becoming ineligible for membership on the board by reason of removal or residence from the county, or other reason, or for any other cause. Persons elected or appointed to fill vacancies shall serve out the expired term only, or until his successor is elected or appointed. (1997 Code, § 2-205)
- **2-206.** <u>Meetings of the board</u>. The public library board shall meet and organize annually by electing officers and adopting bylaws and regulations. (1997 Code, § 2-206)
- **2-207. Appointment of librarian**. The public library may appoint or employ a librarian. The librarian shall administer the internal affairs of the library and may appoint such assistants or employees as may be necessary, after obtaining approval of the public library board.

The librarian and all assistants and employees, and the operation and administration of any library established under the provisions of this article, shall be under the supervising control and direction of the public library board. (1997 Code, § 2-207)

- **2-208. Donations, gifts, and contributions**. The public library board is hereby authorized and empowered to accept gifts, bequests and devises of money, personal or real property to be used by it for library purposes, including the establishment, operation, administration and maintenance of public library for the inhabitants of the city, and others, as may be permitted by the public library board, in conjunction with any other person, including McMinn County, Tennessee, or any county library board that may be created by or for such county, or any established library. (1997 Code, § 2-208)
- **2-209.** Title to property acquired by the board. The title to all property acquired by the public library board shall be vested in the Town of Englewood in trust for the board and their successors in office, who shall have power to convey, lease, mortgage, encumber or otherwise transfer and convey such property as it may be authorized to do by the city council, or its successors. (1997 Code, § 2-209)

- **2-210.** <u>Library use by city inhabitants</u>. Any library established or provided by the public library board shall be free to the inhabitants of the city. The board may extend the privileges and facilities of such library to persons residing outside the city upon such terms as it may deem proper and to that end may contract with any county library board. (1997 Code, § 2-210)
- **2-211.** <u>Library board's powers and duties</u>. The public library board shall have power to make reasonable rules providing penalties for loss or injury to library property, and to enforce such rules.

The librarian of any library established, operated, administered or maintained under provisions of this article shall make and submit an annual report to the public library board is such appropriate form and manner as the board may designate.

The public library board shall make an annual report to the city council in such form and manner as it may require.

All library accounts of every character shall be audited annually by or under the authority of the council, unless such audit is expressly waived by the council. (1997 Code, § 2-211)

2-212. Miscellaneous. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary that may be provided, expressly or impliedly, by any provision of this chapter, neither the city nor its city council in anywise obligates itself or themselves to establish, or to assist in the establishment of any library in the city, nor shall the city nor the city council in anywise be responsible for the handling, investment, collection or safekeeping of any funds or property that may be donated, bequeathed or devised to the public library board or to any library that it may establish, operate, administer or maintain, and neither the city nor its city council shall in anywise be obligated or responsible for the operation, administration or maintenance of any such library, and neither the library board nor the individual members or directors thereof nor appointee or employee of the board or its individual members or of the librarian or of his/her assistants or employees shall have any power or authority whatsoever to make or incur any contract, liability or obligation whatsoever for or on behalf of the city or its city council, except with the express authorization and consent of the city and its city council being first provided by appropriate resolution or ordinance. (1997 Code, § 2-212)

TITLE 3

MUNICIPAL COURT

CHAPTER

- 1. TOWN JUDGE.
- 2. COURT ADMINISTRATION.
- 3. WARRANTS, SUMMONSES AND SUBPOENAS.
- 4. BONDS AND APPEALS.

CHAPTER 1

TOWN JUDGE¹

SECTION

- 3-101. Town judge.
- 3-102. Qualifications; appointment; compensation; etc.
- **3-101.** <u>Town judge</u>. The officer designated by the charter to handle judicial matters within the Town of Englewood shall preside over the town court and shall be known as the town judge. (1997 Code, § 3-101, modified)

3-102. Qualifications; appointment; compensation; etc.

- (1) (a) The town judge for the Town of Englewood shall be thirty (30) years of age, licensed in the State of Tennessee to practice law, and shall be a resident of McMinn County. In the event he removes his residency from McMinn County he shall automatically vacate his or her office.
- (b) The town judge shall be appointed by the board of commissioners at the first regular meeting in September following the regular town election in August of each even numbered year and shall serve until the first regular meeting in September following the next general town election or until his successor is appointed and has taken his oath of office. The town judge shall be eligible for reappointment.
- (c) Vacancies in the office of town judge shall be filled by the mayor and board of commissioners.
- (d) The compensation of the town judge shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per month.
- (e) During the absence or disability of the town judge, the mayor and board of commissioners may appoint a town judge pro tem to

¹Charter reference

Town judge: art. XII.

- serve until the town judge returns to his duties. The judge pro tem shall have all the qualifications required of the town judge under this section, and shall have all the authorities and powers of the town judge.
- (2) The town judge and shall have jurisdiction only over violations of municipal ordinances. (1997 Code, § 3-102, modified)

COURT ADMINISTRATION

SECTION

- 3-201. Maintenance of docket.
- 3-202. Imposition of fines and costs.
- 3-203. Disposition and report of fins and costs.
- 3-204. Contempt of court.
- 3-205. Trial and disposition of cases.
- 3-206. Administrative fees/court costs.
- **3-201.** Maintenance of docket. The town judge shall keep a complete docket of all matters coming before him in his judicial capacity. The docket shall include for each defendant such information as his name; warrant and/or summons numbers; alleged offense; disposition; fines and costs imposed and whether collected; whether committed to workhouse; and all other information that may be relevant. (1997 Code, § 3-201)
- **3-202.** <u>Imposition of fines and costs</u>. All fines and costs shall be imposed and recorded by the town judge on the town court docket in open court. (1997 Code, § 3-202, modified)
- **3-203.** Disposition and report of fines and costs. All funds coming into the hands of the town judge in the form of fines, costs, and forfeitures shall be recorded by him and paid over daily to the Town of Englewood. At the end of each month he shall submit to the board of commissioners a report accounting for the collection or non-collection of all fines and costs imposed by his court during the current month and to date for the current fiscal year. (1997 Code, § 3-203)
- **3-204.** Contempt of court. Contempt of court is punishable by a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00), or such lesser amount as may be imposed in the judge's discretion.
- **3-205.** Trial and disposition of cases. Every person charged with violating an ordinance of the Town of Englewood shall be entitled to an immediate trial and disposition of his case, provided the town court is in session or the town judge is reasonably available. However, the provisions of this section shall not apply when the alleged offender, by reason of drunkenness or other incapacity, is not in a proper condition or is not able to appear before the court. (1997 Code, § 3-205)

3-206. Administrative fees/court costs. The court costs to be used by the town judge in assessing the bill of costs in cases in the city court shall be one hundred thirty dollars (\$130.00), including the state litigation tax. Such court costs shall be in addition to any special court costs that may be assessed under the provisions of the municipal charter. (1997 Code, § 3-206, as amended by Ord. #2008-02-11-89, Feb. 2008, and replaced by Ord. #08-09-10-54, Aug. 2010)

WARRANTS, SUMMONSES AND SUBPOENAS

- 3-301. Issuance of arrest warrants.
- 3-302. Issuance of summonses.
- 3-303. Issuance of subpoenas.
- **3-301.** <u>Issuance of arrest warrants</u>. The town judge shall have the power to issue warrants for the arrest of persons charged with violating municipal ordinances. (1997 Code, § 3-301)
- 3-302. <u>Issuance of summonses</u>. When a complaint of an alleged ordinance violation is made to the town judge, the judge may in his discretion, in lieu of issuing an arrest warrant, issue a summons ordering the alleged offender to personally appear before the town court at a time specified therein to answer to the charges against him. The summons shall contain a brief description of the offense charged but need not set out verbatim the provisions of the ordinance alleged to have been violated. Upon failure of any person to appear before the town court as commanded in a summons lawfully served on him, the cause may be proceeded with ex parte, and the judgment of the court shall be valid and binding subject to the defendant's right of appeal. (1997 Code, § 3-302)
- **3-303.** <u>Issuance of subpoenas</u>. The town judge may subpoena as witnesses all persons whose testimony he believes will be relevant and material to matters coming before his court, and it shall be unlawful for any person lawfully served with such a subpoena to fail or neglect to comply therewith. (1997 Code, § 3-303)

¹State law reference

For authority to issue warrants, see <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 40, chapter 6.

BONDS AND APPEALS

- 3-401. Appearance bonds authorized.
- 3-402. Appeals.
- 3-403. Bond amounts, conditions, and forms.
- **3-401.** Appearance bonds authorized. When the town judge is not available or when an alleged offender requests and has reasonable grounds for a delay in the trial of his case, he may, in lieu of remaining in jail pending disposition of his case, be allowed to post an appearance bond with the town judge or, in the absence of the judge, with the ranking police officer on duty at the time, provided such alleged offender is not drunk or otherwise in need of protective custody. (1997 Code, § 3-401)
- **3-402. Appeals**. Any defendant who is dissatisfied with any judgment of the town court against him may, within ten (10) days next after such judgment is rendered appeal to the next term of the circuit court upon posting a proper appeal bond.¹ (1997 Code, § 3-402)
- 3-403. Bond amounts, conditions, and forms. An appearance bond in any case before the town court shall be in such amount as the town judge shall prescribe and shall be conditioned that the defendant shall appear for trial before the town court at the stated time and place. An appeal bond in any case shall be in the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) and shall be conditioned that if the circuit court shall find against the appellant the fine and all costs of the trial and appeal shall be promptly paid by the defendant and/or his sureties. An appearance or appeal bond in any case may be made in the form of a cash deposit or by any corporate surety company authorized to do business in Tennessee or by two (2) private persons who individually own real property located within the county. No other type bond shall be acceptable. (1997 Code, § 3-403)

¹State law reference Tennessee Code Annotated, § 27-5-101.

TITLE 4

MUNICIPAL PERSONNEL

CHAPTER

- 1. SOCIAL SECURITY FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.
- 2. VACATIONS AND SICK LEAVE.
- 3. MISCELLANEOUS PERSONNEL REGULATIONS.
- 4. OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM.
- 5. INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL POLICY.
- 6. TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT REGULATIONS.
- 7. SOCIAL MEDIA USE AND INTERNET POSTING POLICY.

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SOCIAL SECURITY FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

- 4-101. Policy and purpose as to coverage.
- 4-102. Necessary agreements to be executed.
- 4-103. Withholdings from salaries or wages.
- 4-104. Appropriations for employer's contributions.
- 4-105. Records and reports to be made.
- 4-101. Policy and purpose as to coverage. It is hereby declared to be the policy and purpose of the Town of Englewood to provide for all eligible employees and officials of the municipality, whether employed in connection with a governmental or proprietary function, the benefits of the system of federal old age and survivors insurance. In pursuance of said policy, and for that purpose, the Town of Englewood shall take such action as may be required by applicable state and federal laws or regulations. (1997 Code, § 4-101)
- **4-102.** Necessary agreements to be executed. The mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute all the necessary agreements and amendments thereto with the state executive director of old age insurance, as agent or agency, to secure coverage of employees and officials as provided in the preceding section. (1997 Code, § 4-102)
- 4-103. Withholdings from salaries or wages. Withholdings from the salaries or wages of employees and officials for the purpose provided in the first section of this chapter are hereby authorized to be made in the amounts and at such times as may be required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations, and shall be paid over to the state or federal agency designated by said laws or regulations. (1997 Code, § 4-103)

- **4-104.** Appropriations for employer's contributions. There shall be appropriated from available funds such amounts at such times as may be required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations for employer's contributions, and the same shall be paid over to the state or federal agency designated by said laws or regulations. (1997 Code, § 4-104)
- **4-105.** Records and reports to be made. The Town of Englewood shall keep such records and make such reports as may be required by applicable state and federal laws or regulations. (1997 Code, § 4-105)

VACATIONS AND SICK LEAVE

SECTION

- 4-201. Applicability of chapter.
- 4-202. Vacation leave.
- 4-203. Sick leave.
- 4-204. Leave records.
- **4-201. Applicability of chapter**. This chapter shall apply to all full-time officers and employees of the Town of Englewood except those operating under the jurisdiction of a school, utility, or other separate board or commission. (1997 Code, § 4-201)
- **4-202.** <u>Vacation leave</u>. All full-time employees of the Town of Englewood who have satisfactorily completed their probationary period shall be allowed to accumulate vacation leave at the rate of:

After 1 year of employment 5 days After 3 years of employment 10 days After 10 years of employment 15 days

Such vacation leave shall be taken at a time approved by the town manager or such other officer as he may designate in accordance with the town's personnel policies. (Ord. #091205-68, Oct. 2005, modified)

- 4-203. Sick leave. All officers and employees shall be given a credit of one-half (½) working day of sick leave with pay for each month of employment hereafter served. Sick leave shall be taken only when approved by the town manager or by such other officer as he may designate. Sick leave, up to the number of days accrued, shall be approved for all officers and employees whose absence from duty is due to illness, bodily injury, exposure to contagious disease, or death in the immediate family of the officer or employee. However, the town manager may, in his discretion, require doctors' certificates or other satisfactory evidence that absences are properly chargeable as sick leave. The maximum credit for accrued sick leave under the provisions of this section shall be twelve (12) days. (Ord. #091205-68, Oct. 2005)
- **4-204.** Leave records. The town manager shall cause to be kept, for each officer and employee, a record currently up to date at all times showing credit earned and leave taken under this chapter. (Ord. #091205-68, Oct. 2005)

MISCELLANEOUS PERSONNEL REGULATIONS

SECTION

4-301. Political activity.

4-302. Strikes and unions.

4-301. Political activity. Employees shall enjoy the same rights of other citizens of Tennessee to be a candidate for any state or local political office (except for membership on the municipal governing body), the right to participate in political activities by supporting or opposing political parties, political candidates, and petitions to governmental entities. Provided, however, no employee may campaign on municipal time or in municipal uniform nor use municipal equipment or supplies in any campaign or election. (1997 Code, § 4-301, modified)

4-302. Strikes and unions. No officer or employee of the Town of Englewood shall participate in any strike against the municipality, nor shall he join, be a member of, or solicit any other municipal officer or employee to join any labor union which authorizes the use of strikes by government employees. (1997 Code, § 4-307)

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM

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- 4-401. <u>Creation and title</u>. There is hereby created an occupational safety and health program for the employees of the Town of Englewood. This section shall provide authority for establishing and administering the occupational safety and health program for the employees of the town. (1997 Code, § 4-401)
- **4-402. Purpose and coverage**. (1) <u>Purpose</u>. The Town of Englewood in electing to update and maintain an effective occupational safety and health program for its employees shall:
 - (a) Provide a safe and healthful place and condition of employment that includes:
 - (i) Include top management commitment and employee involvement;
 - (ii) Continually analyze the worksite to identify all hazards and potential hazards;

- (iii) Develop and maintain methods for preventing or controlling existing or potential hazards; and
- (iv) Train managers, supervisors, and employees to understand and deal with worksite hazards.
- (b) Acquire, maintain, and require the use of safety equipment, personal protective equipment, and devices reasonably necessary to protect employees.
- (c) Make, keep, preserve, and make available to the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development of the State of Tennessee, his designated representatives, or persons within the department of labor and workforce development to whom such responsibilities have ben delegated, including the director of the division of occupational safety and health, adequate records of all occupational accidents and illnesses and personal injuries for proper evaluation and necessary corrective action as required.
- (d) Consult with the state commissioner of labor and workforce development or his designated representatives with regard to the adequacy of the form and content of such records.
- (e) Consult with the commissioner of labor and workforce development, as appropriate, regarding safety and health problems of the agency which are considered to be unusual or peculiar and are such that they cannot be resolved under an occupational safety and health program promulgated by the state.
- (f) Assist the commissioner of labor and workforce development or his monitoring activities to determine program effectiveness and compliance with the occupational safety and health standards.
- (g) Make a report to the commissioner of labor and workforce development annually, or as may otherwise be required, including information on occupational accidents, injuries, and illnesses and accomplishments and progress made toward achieving the goals of the occupational safety and health program.
- (h) Provide reasonable opportunity for and encourage the participation of employees in the effectuation of the objectives of this program, including the opportunity to make anonymous complaints concerning conditions or practices which may be injurious to employee safety and health.
- (i) Provide for education and training of personnel for the fair and efficient administration of occupational safety and health standards, and provide for education and notification of all employees of the existence of this program.
- (2) <u>Coverage</u>. The provisions of the occupational safety and health program plan for the employees of the Town of Englewood shall apply to all employees of each administrative department, commission, board, division, or

other agency of the town whether part-time or full-time, seasonal or permanent. (1997 Code, § 4-402)

- **4-403.** Funding the program. Sufficient funds for administering and staffing the program pursuant to this chapter shall be made available as authorized by the Town of Englewood. (1997 Code, § 4-403)
- **4-404. Definitions**. For the purposes of this program, the following definitions apply:
- (1) "Act" or "TOSHAct" shall mean the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972.
- (2) "Appointing authority" means any official or group of officials of the employer having legally designated powers of appointment, employment, or removal therefrom for a specific department, board, commission, division, or other agency of this employer.
- (3) "Chief executive officer" means the chief administrative official, mayor, town manager, etc., as may be applicable.
- (4) "Commissioner of labor and workforce development" means the chief executive officer of the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development. This includes any person appointed, designated, or deputized to perform the duties or to exercise the powers assigned to the commissioner of labor and workforce development.
- (5) "Director of occupational safety and health" or "director" means the person designated by the establishing ordinance, or executive order to perform duties or to exercise powers assigned so as to plan, develop, and administer the occupational safety and health program for employees of the town.
- (6) "Employee" means any person performing services for the Town of Englewood and listed on the payroll of the town, either as part-time, full-time, seasonal, or permanent. It also includes any persons normally classified as volunteers provided such persons received remuneration of any kind for their services. This definition shall not include independent contractors, their agents, servants, and employees.
- (7) "Employer" means the Town of Englewood, and includes each administrative department, board, commission, division, or other agency of the town.
- (8) "Establishment" or "worksite" means a single physical location under the control of this employer where business is conducted, services are rendered, or industrial type operations are performed.
- (9) "Governing body" means the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood.
- (10) "Imminent danger" means any conditions or practices in any place of employment which are such that a hazard exists which could reasonably be expected to cause death or serious physical harm immediately or before the

imminence of such hazard can be eliminated through normal compliance enforcement procedures.

- (11) "Inspector(s)" means the individual(s) appointed or designated by the director of occupational safety and health to conduct inspections provided for herein. If no such compliance inspector(s) is appointed, inspections shall be conducted by the director of occupational safety and health.
- (12) "Person" means the one or more individual, partnership, association, corporation, business trust, or legal representative of any organized group of persons.
- (13) "Serious injury" or "harm" means that type of harm that would cause permanent or prolonged impairment of the body that:
 - (a) A part of the body would be permanently removed (e.g., amputation of an arm, leg, finger(s); loss of an eye) or rendered functionally useless or substantially reduced in efficiency on or off the job (e.g., leg shattered so severely that mobility would be permanently reduced), or
 - (b) A part of an internal body system would be inhibited in its normal performance or function to such a degree as to shorten life or cause reduction in physical or mental efficiency; (e.g., lung impairment causing shortness of breath).

On the other hand, simple fractures, cuts, bruises, concussions, or similar injuries would not fit either of these categories and would not constitute serious physical harm.

- (14) "Standard" means an occupational safety and health standard promulgated by the commissioner of labor and workforce development in accordance with section VI (6) of the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972 which requires conditions or the adoption or the use of one or more practices, means, methods, operations, or processes or the use of equipment or personal protective equipment necessary or appropriate to provide safe and healthful conditions and places of employment. (1997 Code, § 4-404)
- **4-405.** Employer's rights and duties. Rights and duties of the employer shall include, but are not limited to, the following provisions:
- (1) Employer shall furnish to each employee conditions of employment and a place of employment free from recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious injury or harm to employees.
- (2) Employer shall comply with occupational safety and health standards and regulations promulgated pursuant to section VI (6) of the Tennessee Organizational Safety and Health Act of 1972.
- (3) Employer shall refrain from any unreasonable restraint on the right of the commissioner of labor and workforce development to inspect the employers place(s) of business. Employer shall assist the commissioner of labor and workforce development in the performance of their monitoring duties by

supplying or making available information, personnel, or aids reasonable necessary to the effective conduct of the monitoring activity.

- (4) Employer is entitled to participate in the development of standards by submissions of comments on proposed standards, participation in hearings on proposed standards, or by requesting the development of standards on a given issue under Section 6 of the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972.
- (5) Employer is entitled to request an order granting a variance from occupational safety and health standard.
- (6) Employer is entitled to protection of its legally privileged communication.
- (7) Employer shall inspect all worksites to insure the provisions of this program are complied with and carried out.
- (8) Employer shall notify and inform any employee who has been or is being exposed in a biologically significant manner to harmful agents or material in excess of the applicable standard, of corrective action being taken.
- (9) Employer shall notify all employees of their rights and duties under this program. (1997 Code, § 4-405)
- **4-406.** Employees' rights and duties. Rights and duties of employees shall include, but are not limited to, the following provisions:
- (1) Each employee shall comply with occupational safety and health standards and all rules, regulations, and orders issued pursuant to this program and the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972 which are applicable to his or her own actions and conduct.
- (2) Each employee shall be notified by the placing of a notice upon bulletin boards, or other places of common passage, of any application for a permanent or temporary order granting the employer a variance from any provision of the TOSHAct or any standard or regulation promulgated under the act.
- (3) Each employee shall be given the opportunity to participate in any hearing which concerns an application by the employer for a variance from a standard or regulation promulgated under the act.
- (4) Any employee who may be adversely affected by a standard or variance issued pursuant to the act or this program may file a petition with the commissioner of labor and workforce development or whoever is responsible for the promulgation of the standard or granting of the variance.
- (5) Any employee who has been exposed or is being exposed to toxic materials or harmful physical agents in concentrations or at levels in excess of that provided for by an applicable standard shall be provided by the employer with information on any significant hazards to which they are or have been exposed, relevant symptoms, and proper conditions for safe use or exposure. Employees shall also be informed of corrective action being taken.

- (6) Subject to regulations issued pursuant to this program, any employee or authorized representative of employees shall be given the right to request an inspection and to consult with the director or inspector at the time of the physical inspection of the worksite.
- (7) Any employee may bring to the attention of the director any violation or suspected violation of the standards or any other health or safety hazards.
- (8) No employee shall be discharged or discriminated against because such employee has filed any complaint or instituted or caused to be instituted any proceeding or inspection under or relating to this program.
- (9) Any employee who believes that he or she has been discriminated against or discharged in violation of subsection (8) of this section may file a complaint alleging such discrimination with the director. Such employee may also, within thirty (30) days after such violation occurs, file a complaint with the commissioner of labor and workforce development alleging such discrimination.
- (10) Nothing in this or any other provisions of this program shall be deemed to authorize or require any employee to undergo medical examination, immunization, or treatment for those who object thereto on religious grounds, except where such is necessary for the protection of the health or safety of others, or when a medical examination may be reasonably required for performance of a specified job.
- (11) Employees shall report any accident, injury, or illness resulting from their job, however minor it may seem to be, to their supervisor or the director within twenty-four (24) hours of the occurrence. (1997 Code, § 4-406)
- **4-407.** Administration. (1) The director of occupational safety and health is designated to perform duties or to exercise powers assigned so as to administer this occupational safety and health program.
 - (a) The director may designate person or persons as he deems necessary to carry out his powers, duties, and responsibilities under this program.
 - (b) The director may delegate the power to make inspections, provided procedures employed are as effective as those employed by the director.
 - (c) The director shall employ measures to coordinate, to the extent possible, activities of all departments to promote efficiency and to minimize any inconveniences under this program.
 - (d) The director may request qualified technical personnel from any department or section of government to assist him in making compliance inspections, accident investigations, or as he may otherwise deem necessary and appropriate in order to carry out his duties under this program.

- (e) The director shall prepare the report to the commissioner of labor and workforce development required by subsection (1)(g) of § 4-402 of this chapter.
- (f) The director shall make or cause to be made periodic and follow-up inspections of all facilities and worksites where employees of this employer are employed. He shall make or cause to be made any inspections required by complaints submitted by employees or inspections requested by employees.
- (g) The director shall assist any officials of the employer in the investigation of occupational accidents or illnesses.
- (h) The director shall maintain or cause to be maintained records required under § 4-411 of this chapter.
- (i) The director shall, in the eventuality that there is a fatality or an accident resulting in the hospitalization of three or more employees insure that the commissioner of labor and workforce development receives notification of the occurrence within eight (8) hours.
- (2) The administrative or operational head of each department, division, board, or other agency of this employer shall be responsible for the implementation of this occupational safety and health program within their respective areas.
 - (a) The administrative or operational head shall follow the directions of the director on all issues involving occupational safety and health of employees as set forth in this chapter.
 - (b) The administrative or operational head shall comply with all abatement orders issued in accordance with the provisions of this plan or request a review of the order with the director within the abatement period.
 - (c) The administrative or operational head should make periodic safety surveys of the establishment under his jurisdiction to become aware of hazards or standards violations that may exist and make an attempt to immediately correct such hazards or violations.
 - (d) The administrative or operational head shall investigate all occupational accidents, injuries or illnesses reported to him. He shall report such accidents, injuries, or illnesses to the director along with his findings and/or recommendations in accordance with § 4-422 of this chapter. (1997 Code, § 4-407)
- 4-408. <u>Standards authorized</u>. The standards adopted under this program are the applicable standards developed and promulgated under section VI (6) of the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972 or which may, in the future, be developed and promulgated. Additional standards may be promulgated by the governing body that body may deem necessary for the safety and health of employees. (1997 Code, § 4-408)

- 4-409. <u>Variances from standards authorized</u>. The director may, upon written application to the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development of the State of Tennessee, request an order granting a temporary variance from any approved standards. Applications for variances shall be in accordance with <u>Rules of Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development</u>, Occupational Safety, chapter 0800-1-2, as authorized by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 50. Prior to requesting such temporary variance, the director shall notify or serve notice to employees, their designated representatives, or interested parties and present them with an opportunity for a hearing. The posting of notice on the main bulletin board as designated by the director shall be deemed sufficient notice to employees. (1997 Code, § 4-409)
- **4-410.** <u>Variance procedure</u>. The director may apply for a variance as a result of a compliant from an employee or of his knowledge of certain hazards or exposures. The director should definitely believe that a variance is needed before the application for a variance is submitted to the commissioner of labor and workforce development.

The procedure for applying for a variance to the adopted safety and health standards is as follows:

- (1) The application for a variance shall be prepared in writing and shall contain:
 - (a) A specification of the standard or portion thereof from which the variance is sought
 - (b) A detailed statement of the reason(s) why the employer is unable to comply with the standard supported by representations by qualified personnel having first-hand knowledge of the facts represented.
 - (c) A statement of the steps employer has taken and will take (with specific date) to protect employees against the hazard covered by the standard.
 - (d) A statement of when the employer expects to comply and what steps have or will be taken (with dates specified) to come into compliance with the standard.
 - (e) A certification that the employer has informed employees, their authorized representative(s), and/or interested parties by giving them a copy of the request, posting a statement summarizing the application (to include the location of a copy available for examination) at the places where employee notices are normally posted and by other appropriate means. The certification shall contain a description of the means actually used to inform employees and that employees have been informed of their right to petition the commissioner of labor and workforce development for a hearing.
- (2) The application for a variance should be sent to the commissioner of labor and workforce development by registered or certified mail.

- (3) The commissioner or labor and workforce development will review the application for a variance and may deny the request or issue an order granting the variance. An order granting a variance shall be issued only if it has been established that:
 - (a) The employer:
 - (i) Is unable to comply with the standard by the effective date because of unavailability of professional or technical personnel or materials and equipment required or necessary construction or alteration of facilities or technology.
 - (ii) Has taken all available steps to safeguard employees against the hazard(s) covered by the standard.
 - (iii) Has an effective program for coming into compliance with the standard as quickly as possible.
 - (b) The employee is engaged in an experimental program as described in subsection (b), section 13 of the Act.
- (4) A variance may be granted for a period of no longer than is required to achieve compliance for one(1) year, whichever is shorter.
- (5) Upon receipt of an application for an order granting a variance, the commissioner to whom such application is addressed may issue an interim order granting such a variance for the purpose of permitting time for an orderly consideration of such application. No such interim order may be effective for longer than one hundred eighty (180) days.
- (6) The order or interim order granting a variance shall be posted at the worksite and employees notified of such order by the same means used to inform them of the application for said variance (see subsection (1)(e) of this section). (1997 Code, § 4-410)
- 4-411. <u>Recordkeeping and reporting</u>. (1) Recording and reporting of all occupational accident, injuries, and illnesses shall be in accordance with instructions and on forms prescribed in the booklet, <u>Recordkeeping Requirements Under the Occupational Safety and Heath Act of 1970</u> (revised 2003) or as may be prescribed by the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development.
- (2) The position responsible for recordkeeping is shown on the safety and health organizational chart, § 4-423 of this chapter.
- (3) Details of how reports of occupational accidents, injuries, and illnesses will reach the recordkeeper are specified by accident reporting procedures, § 4-422 of this chapter. (1997 Code, § 4-411)
- **4-412.** Employee complaint procedure. If any employee feels that he is assigned to work in conditions which might affect his health, safety, or general welfare at the present time or at any time in the future, he should report the condition to the director of occupational safety and health.

- (1) The complaint should be in the form of a letter and give details on the condition(s) and how the employee believes it affects or will affect his health, safety, or general welfare. The employee should sign the letter but need not do so if he wishes to remain anonymous (see subsection (1)(h) of § 4-402 of this chapter.
- (2) Upon receipt of the complaint letter, the director will evaluate the condition(s) and institute any corrective action, if warranted. Within ten (10) working days following the receipt of the complaint, the director will answer the complaint in writing stating whether or not the complaint is deemed to be valid and if no, why not, what action has been or will be taken to correct or abate the condition(s), and giving a designated time period for correction or abatement. Answers to anonymous complaints will be posted upon bulletin boards or other places of common passage where the anonymous complaint may be reasonably expected to be seen by the complainant for a period of three (3) working days.
- (3) If the complainant finds the reply not satisfactory because it was held to be invalid, the corrective action is felt to be insufficient, or the time period for correction is felt to be too long, he may forward a letter to the chief executive officer or to the governing body explaining the condition(s) cited in his original complaint and why he believes the answer to be inappropriate or insufficient.
- (4) The chief executive officer or a representative of the governing body will evaluate the complaint and will begin to take action to correct or abate the condition(s) through arbitration or administrative sanctions or may find the complaint to be invalid. An answer will be sent to the complainant within ten (10) working days following receipt of the complaint or the next regularly scheduled meeting of the governing body following receipt of the complaint explaining decisions made and action taken or to be taken.
- (5) After the above steps have been followed and the complainant is still not satisfied with the results, he may then file a complaint with the commissioner of labor and workforce development. Any complaint filed with the commissioner of labor and workforce development in such cases shall include copies of all related correspondence with the director and the chief executive officer or the representative of the governing body.
- (6) Copies of all complaints and answers thereto will be filed by the director who shall make them available to the commissioner of labor and workforce development or his designated representative upon request. (1997 Code, § 4-412)

4-413. Education and training. (1) Director and/or compliance inspector(s):

(a) Arrangements will be made for the director and/or compliance inspector(s) to attend training seminars, workshops, etc., conducted by the State of Tennessee or other agencies.

- (b) Reference materials, manuals, equipment, etc., deemed necessary for use in conducting compliance inspections, conducting local training, wiring technical reports, and informing officials, supervisors, and employees of the existence of safety and health hazards will be furnished.
- (2) All employees (including managers and supervisory personnel): A suitable safety and health training program for employees will be established. This program will, as a minimum:
 - (a) Instruct each employee in the recognition and avoidance of hazards or unsafe conditions and of standards and regulations applicable to the employees work environment to control or eliminate any hazards, unsafe conditions, or other exposures to occupational illness or injury (such as falls, electrocution, crushing injuries (e.g., trench cave-ins), and being struck by material or equipment).
 - (b) Instruct employees who are required to handle poisons, acids, caustics, explosives, and other harmful or dangerous substances (including carbon monoxide and chlorine) in safe handling and use of such items and make them aware of the potential hazards, proper handling procedures, personal protective measures, personal hygiene, etc., which may be required.
 - (c) Instruct employees who may be exposed to environments where harmful plans or animals are present of the hazards of the environment, how to best avoid injury or exposure, and the first aid procedures to be followed in the event of injury or exposure.
 - (d) Instruct employees required to handle or use flammable liquids, gases, or toxic materials in their safe handling and use and make employees aware of specific requirements contained in Subparts H and M and other applicable subparts of TOSHAct standards (1910 and/or 1926).
 - (e) Instruct employees on hazards and dangers of confined or enclosed spaces.
 - (i) Confined or enclosed space means space having a limited means of egress and which is subject to the accumulation of toxic or flammable contaminants or has an oxygen deficient atmosphere. Confined or enclosed spaces include, but are not limited to, storage tanks, boilers, ventilation or exhaust ducts, sewers, underground utility accesses, tunnels, pipelines, and open top spaces more than four feet (4') in depth such as pits, tubs, vaults, and vessels.
 - (ii) Employees will be given general instruction on hazards involved, precautions to be taken, and on use of personal protective and emergency equipment required. They shall also be instructed on all specific standards or regulations that apply to work in dangerous or potentially dangerous areas.

- (iii) The immediate supervisor of any employee who must perform work in a confined or enclosed space shall be responsible for instructing employees on the danger of hazards which may be present, precautions to be taken, and use of personal protective and emergency equipment, immediately prior to their entry into such an area and shall require use of appropriate personal protective equipment. (1997 Code, § 4-413)
- 4-414. General inspection procedures. It is the intention of the governing body and responsible officials to have an occupational safety and health program that will insure the welfare of employees. In order to be aware of hazards, periodic inspections must be performed. These inspections will enable the finding of hazards or unsafe conditions or operations that will need correction in order to maintain safe and healthful worksites. Inspections made on pre-designated basis may not yield the desired results. Inspections will be conducted, therefore, on a random basis at intervals not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days.
- (1) In order to carry out the purpose of this program, the director and/or compliance inspector(s), if appointed, is authorized:
 - (a) To enter at any reasonable time, any establishment, facility, or worksite where work is being performed by an employee when such establishment, facility, or worksite is under the jurisdiction of the employer and;
 - (b) To inspect and investigate during regular working hours and at other reasonable times, within reasonable limits, and in a reasonable manner, any such place of employment and all pertinent conditions, processes, structures, machines, apparatus, devices, equipment, and materials therein, and to question privately any supervisor, operator, agent, or employee working therein.
- (2) If an imminent danger situation is found, alleged, or otherwise brought to the attention of the director or inspector during a routine inspection, he shall immediately inspect the imminent danger situation in accordance with § 4-415 of this chapter before inspecting the remaining portions of the establishment, facility, or worksite.
- (3) An administrative representative of the employer and a representative authorized by the employees shall be given an opportunity to consult with and/or to accompany the director or inspector during the physical inspection of any worksite for the purpose of aiding such inspection.
- (4) The right of accompaniment may be denied any person whose conduct interferes with a full and orderly inspection.
- (5) The conduct of the inspection shall be such as to preclude unreasonable disruptions of the operation(s) of the workplace.
- (6) Interviews of employees during the course of the inspection may be made when such interviews are considered essential to investigative techniques.

- (7) <u>Advance notice of inspections</u>. (a) Generally, advance notice of inspections will not be given as this precludes the opportunity to make minor or temporary adjustments in an attempt to create a misleading impression of conditions in an establishment.
- (b) There may be occasions when advance notice of inspections will be necessary in order to conduct an effective inspection or investigation. When advance notice of inspection is given, employees or their authorized representative(s) will also be given notice of the inspection.
- (8) The director need not personally make an inspection of each and every worksite once every thirty (30) days. He may delegate the responsibility for such inspections to supervisors or other personnel provided:
 - (a) Inspections conducted by supervisors or other personnel are at least as effective as those made by the director.
 - (b) Records are made of the inspections and of any discrepancies found and are forwarded to the director.
- (9) The director shall maintain records of inspections to include identification of worksite inspected, date of inspection, description of violations of standards or other unsafe conditions or practices found, and corrective action taken toward abatement. Said inspection records shall be subject to review by the commissioner of labor and workforce development or his authorized representative. (1997 Code, § 4-414)
- **4-415.** <u>Imminent danger procedures</u>. (1) Any discovery, any allegation, or any report of imminent danger shall be handled in accordance with the following procedures:
 - (a) The director shall immediately be informed of the alleged imminent danger situation and he shall immediately be informed of the alleged imminent danger situation and he shall immediately ascertain whether there is a reasonable basis for the allegation.
 - (b) If the alleged imminent danger situation is determined to have merit by the director, he shall make or cause to be made an immediate inspection of the alleged imminent danger location.
 - (c) As soon as it is concluded from such inspection that conditions or practices exist which constitute an imminent danger, the director or compliance inspector shall attempt to have the danger corrected. All employees at the location shall be informed of the danger and the supervisor or person in charge of the worksite shall be requested to remove employees from the area, if deemed necessary.
 - (d) The administrative or operational head of the workplace in which the imminent danger exists, or his authorized representative, shall be responsible for determining the manner in which the imminent danger situation will be abated. This shall be done in cooperation with the

director or compliance inspector and to the mutual satisfaction of all parties involved.

- (e) The imminent danger shall be deemed abated if:
- (i) The imminence of the danger has been eliminated by removal of the employees from the area of danger.
- (ii) Conditions or practices which resulted in the imminent danger have been eliminated or corrected to the point where an <u>unsafe</u> condition or practice no longer exists.
- (f) A written report shall be made by or to the director describing in detail the imminent danger and its abatement. This report will be maintained by the director in accordance with subsection (9) of § 4-414 of this chapter.
- (2) Refusal to abate:
- (a) Any refusal to abate an imminent danger situation shall be reported to the director and/or chief executive officer immediately.
- (b) The director and/or chief executive officer shall take whatever action may be necessary to achieve abatement. (1997 Code, § 4-415)
- 4-416. Abatement orders and hearings. (1) Whenever, as a result of an inspection or investigation, the director or compliance inspector(s) finds that a worksite is not in compliance with the standards, rules or regulations pursuant to this plan and is unable to negotiate abatement with the administrative or operational head of the worksite within a reasonable period of time, the director shall:
 - (a) Issue an abatement order to the head of the worksite.
 - (b) Post, or cause to be posted, a copy of the abatement order at or near each location referred to in the abatement order.
 - (2) Abatement orders shall contain the following information:
 - (a) The standard, rule, or regulation which was found to be violated.
 - (b) A description of the nature and location of the violation.
 - (c) A description of what is required to abate or correct the violation.
 - (d) A reasonable period of time during which the violation must be abated or corrected.
- (3) At any time within ten (10) days after receipt of an abatement order, anyone affected by the order may advise the director in writing of any objections to the terms and conditions of the order. Upon receipt of such objections, the director shall act promptly to hold a hearing with all interested and/or responsible parties in an effort to resolve any objections. Following such hearing, the director shall, within three (3) working days, issue an abatement order and such subsequent order shall be binding on all parties and shall be final. (1997 Code, § 4-416)

- **4-417.** <u>Penalties</u>. (1) No civil or criminal penalties shall be issued against any official, employee, or any other person for failure to comply with safety and health standards or any rules or regulations issued pursuant to this program.
- (2) Any employee, regardless of status, who willfully and/or repeatedly violates, or causes to be violated, any safety and health standard, rule, or regulation or any abatement order shall be subject to disciplinary action by the appointing authority. It shall be the duty of the appointing authority to administer discipline by taking action in one of the following ways as appropriate and warranted:
 - (a) Oral reprimand.
 - (b) Written reprimand.
 - (c) Suspension for three (3) or more working days.
 - (d) Termination of employment. (1997 Code, § 4-417)
- 4-418. Confidentiality of privileged information. All information obtained by or reported to the director pursuant to this plan of operation or the legislation (ordinance, or executive order) which contains or might reveal information which is otherwise privileged shall be considered confidential. Such information may be disclosed to other officials or employees concerned with carrying out this program or when relevant in any proceeding under this program. Such information may also be disclosed to the commissioner of labor and workforce development or their authorized representatives in carrying out their duties under the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972. (1997 Code, § 4-418)
- **4-419.** Compliance with other laws not excused. (1) Compliance with any other law, statute, ordinance, or executive order, as applicable, which regulates safety and health in employment and places of employment shall not excuse the employer, the employee, or any other person from compliance with the provisions of this program.
- (2) Compliance with any provisions of this program or any standard, rule, regulation, or order issued pursuant to this program shall not excuse the employer, the employee, or any other person from compliance with the law, statute, ordinance, or executive order, as applicable, regulating and promoting safety and health unless such law, statute, ordinance, or executive order, as applicable, is specifically repealed. (1997 Code, § 4-419)

4-420. Notice to employees.

NOTICE TO ALL EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWN OF ENGLEWOOD

The Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972 provides job safety and health protection for Tennessee workers through the promotion of

safe and healthful working conditions. Under a plan reviewed by the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, the government, as an employer, is responsible for administering the act to its employees. Safety and health standards are the same as state standards and jobsite inspections will be conducted to insure compliance with the act.

Employees shall be furnished conditions of employment and a place of employment free from recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious injury or harm to employees.

Each employee shall comply with occupational safety and health standards an all rules, regulations, and orders issued pursuant to this program which are applicable to his or her own actions and conduct.

Each employee shall be notified by the placing upon bulletin boards or other places of common passage, of any application for a temporary variance from any standard or regulation.

Each employee shall be given the opportunity to participate in any hearing which concerns an application for a variance from a standard.

Any employee who may be adversely affected by a standard or variance issued pursuant to his program may file a petition with the director or

Any employee who has been exposed or is being exposed to toxic materials or harmful physical agents in concentrations or at levels in excess of that provided for by an applicable standard shall be notified by the employer and informed of such exposure and corrective action being taken.

Subject to regulations issued pursuant to this program, any employee or authorized representative(s) of employees shall be given the right to request an inspection.

No employee shall be discharged or discriminated against because such employee has filed any complaint or instituted or caused to be instituted any proceedings or inspection under, or relating to, this program.

Any employee who believes he or she has been discriminated against or discharged in violation of these sections may within thirty (30) days after such violation occurs, have an opportunity to appear in a hearing before the _____ for assistance in obtaining relief or to file a complaint with the commissioner of workforce development alleging such discrimination.

A copy of the occupational safety and health program for employees of the Town of Englewood is available for inspection by any employee in the city recorder's office during regular office hours. (1997 Code, § 4-420)

- **4-421. Program budget**. The budget for the occupational safety and health program shall include the following:
- (1) Prorated portion of wages, salaries, etc., for program administration and support.
 - (2) Office space and office supplies.

- (3) Safety and health educational materials and support for education and training.
 - (4) Safety devices for personnel safety and health.
 - (5) Equipment modifications.
 - (6) Equipment additions (facilities).
 - (7) Protective clothing and equipment (personnel).
 - (8) Safety and health instruments.
 - (9) Funding for projects to correct hazardous conditions.
 - (10) Reserve fund for the program.
 - (11) Contingencies and miscellaneous.

TOTAL ESTIMATED PROGRAM FUNDING:

ESTIMATE OF TOTAL BUDGET FOR: (1997 Code, § 4-421)

4-422. <u>Accident reporting procedures</u>. Note: All fatalities or accidents involving the hospitalization of three (3) or more employees shall be reported by phone to the commissioner of labor and workforce development within eight (8) hours.

There are six important steps required by the OSHA recordkeeping system:

- (1) Obtain a report on every injury/illness requiring medical treatment (other than first aid).
- (2) Record each injury/illness on the OSHA Form No. 300 according to the instructions provided.
- (3) Prepare a supplementary record of occupational injuries and illnesses for recordable cases either on OSHA Form No. 301 or on worker's compensation reports giving the same information.
- (4) Every year, prepare the annual summary (OSHA Form No. 300A); post it no later than February 1, and keep it posted until April 30.
 - (5) Retain these records for at least 5 years.
- (6) Complete the Survey of Occupational Injuries/Illness and mail it to Labor Research and Statistics, when requested.

The four (4) procedures listed below are based upon the size of the work force and relative complexity of the organization. The approximate size of the organization for which each procedure is suggested is indicated in parenthesis in the left hand margin at the beginning, i.e., (1-15), (16-50), (51-250), and (251-Plus), and the figures relate to the total number of employees including the chief executive officer but excluding the governing body.

(1-15) Employees shall report all accidents, injuries, or illnesses directly to the director as soon as possible, but not later

than twenty-four (24) hours, of their occurrence. Such reports may be verbal or in writing. All fatalities or accidents involving the hospitalization of three (3) or more employees shall be reported to the director and/or recordkeeper immediately, either by telephone or verbally, and will be followed by a written report within four (4) hours after their occurrence. The director will insure completion of required reports and records in accordance with § 4-411 of this chapter.

- (16-50) Employees shall report all accidents, injuries, or illnesses to their supervisor as soon as possible, but not later than two (2) hours after their occurrence. All fatalities or accidents involving the hospitalization of three (3) or more employees shall be reported to the director and/or recordkeeper immediately, either by telephone or verbally, and will be followed by a written report within four (4) hours after their occurrence. The supervisor will investigate the accident or illness, complete an accident report, and forward the accident report to the director and/or recordkeeper within twenty-four (24) hours of the time the accident or injury occurred or the time of the first report of the illness.
- (51-250)Employees shall report all accidents, injuries, or illnesses to their supervisor as soon as possible, but not later than two (2) hours, after their occurrence. The supervisor will provide the director and/or recordkeeper with the name of the injured or ill employee and a brief description of the accident or illness by telephone as soon as possible, but not later than four (4) hours after the accident or injury occurred or the time of the first report of the illness. All fatalities or accidents involving the hospitalization of three (3) or more employees shall be reported to the director and/or recordkeeper immediately, either by telephone or verbally, and will be followed by a written report within four (4) hours after their occurrence. The supervisor will then make a thorough investigation of the accident or illness (with the assistance of the director or compliance inspector, if necessary) and will complete a written report on the accident or illness and forward it to the director within seventy-two (72) hours after the accident, injury, or first report of illness and will provide one (1) copy of the written report to the recordkeeper.

(251-Plus) Employees shall report all accidents, injuries, or illnesses to their supervisors as soon as possible, but not later than two (2) hours after their occurrence. The supervisor will provide the administrative head of the department with a verbal or telephone report of the accident as soon as possible, but not later than four (4) hours, after the accident. If the accident involves loss of consciousness, a fatality, broken bones, severed body member, or third degree burns, the director will be notified by telephone immediately and will be given the name of the injured, a description of the injury, and a brief description of how the accident occurred. supervisor or the administrative head is to be notified of the accident within seventy-two (72) hours after the accident occurred (four (4) hours in the event of accidents involving a fatality or the hospitalization of three or more employees.)

Since a Worker's Compensation Form C20 or OSHA No. 301 Form must be completed, all reports submitted in writing to the person responsible for the recordkeeping shall include the following information as a minimum:

- (1) Accident location, if different from employers mailing address and state whether accident occurred on premises owned or operated by employer.
- (2) Name, social security number, home address, age, sex, and occupation (regular job title) of injured or ill employee.
- (3) Title of the department or division in which the injured or ill employee is normally employed.
 - (4) Specific description of what the employee was doing when injured.
 - (5) Specific description of how the accident occurred.
- (6) A description of the injury or illness in detail and the part of the body affected.
- (7) Name of the object or substance which directly injured the employee.
 - (8) Date and time of injury or diagnosis of illness.
 - (9) Name and address of physician, if applicable.
 - (10) If employee was hospitalized, name and address of hospital.
 - (11) Date of report.

<u>NOTE</u>: A procedure such as one of those listed above or similar information is necessary to satisfy item Number 6 listed under <u>PROGRAM PLAN</u> in Chapter IV, Part IV of the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Plan. This information may be submitted in flow chart form instead of narrative form if desired. These procedures may be modified in any way to fit local situations as they have been prepared as a guide only.

Generally, the more simple an accident reporting procedure is, the more effective it is. Please select the <u>one</u> procedure listed above, or prepare a similar procedure or flow chart, which most nearly fits what will be the most effective for your local situation. (1997 Code, § 4-422)

4-423. <u>Organizational chart</u>. (For this section make a list of each work location wherein town employees work, such as town hall, water plant, police department, town garage, etc., the address for the workplace, phone number at the workplace, and number of employees who work there.)

Example:

Town Hall - 6 employees	Sewer Plant - 1 employee
111 Niota Road	501 Chestuee Avenue
Englewood, TN 37329	Englewood, Tennessee 37320
(423) 887-7224	(423) 887-5281
Police Department - 6 employees	Public Works - 5 employees
105 Niota Road	103 Niota Avenue
Englewood, TN 37329	Englewood, TN 37329
(423) 877-6800	(423) 887-7224
	Water Plant - 3 employees 1196 Highway 39 Englewood, Tennessee 37329 (423) 887-7277

TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES: 21

(Once each work location has been listed, record the total number of employees that the city employs.) (1997 Code, § 4-423)

INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL POLICY

SECTION

- 4-501. Purpose.
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- 4-514. Training new employees.
- 4-515. Records and reports.
- 4-516. Legal rights of victims of communicable diseases.
- **4-501. Purpose**. It is the responsibility of the Town of Englewood to provide employees a place of employment which is free from recognized hazards that may cause death or serious physical harm. In providing services to the citizens of the Town of Englewood, employees may come in contact with life-threatening infectious diseases which can be transmitted through job related activities. It is important that both citizens and employees are protected from the transmission of diseases just as it is equally important that neither is discriminated against because of basic misconceptions about various diseases and illnesses.

The purpose of this policy is to establish a comprehensive set of rules and regulations governing the prevention of discrimination and potential occupational exposure to Hepatitis B Virus (HBV), the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), and Tuberculosis (TB). (1997 Code, § 4-501)

- **4-502.** Coverage. Occupational exposures may occur in many ways, including needle sticks, cut injuries or blood spills. Several classes of employees are assumed to be at high risk for blood borne infections due to their routinely increased exposure to infectious material from potentially infected individuals. Those high risk occupations include but are not limited to:
 - (1) Paramedics and emergency medical technicians;
 - (2) Occupational nurses;
 - (3) Housekeeping and laundry workers;

- (4) Police and security personnel;
- (5) Firefighters;
- (6) Sanitation and landfill workers; and
- (7) Any other employee deemed to be at high risk per this policy and an exposure determination. (1997 Code, § 4-502)
- **4-503.** Administration. This infection control policy shall be administered by the mayor or his/her designated representative who shall have the following duties and responsibilities:
- (1) Exercise leadership in implementation and maintenance of an effective infection control policy subject to the provisions of this chapter, other ordinances, the town charter, and federal and state law relating to OSHA regulations;
- (2) Make an exposure determination for all employee positions to determine a possible exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials;
- (3) Maintain records of all employees and incidents subject to the provisions of this chapter;
- (4) Conduct periodic inspections to determine compliance with the infection control policy by municipal employees;
- (5) Coordinate and document all relevant training activities in support of the infection control policy;
- (6) Prepare and recommend to the board of commissioners any amendments or changes to the infection control policy;
- (7) Identify any and all housekeeping operations involving substantial risk of direct exposure to potentially infectious materials and shall address the proper precautions to be taken while cleaning rooms and blood spills; and
- (8) Perform such other duties and exercise such other authority as may be prescribed by the board of commissioners. (1997 Code, § 4-503)
- **4-504. Definitions**. (1) "Body fluids." Fluids that have been recognized by the Center for Disease Control as directly linked to the transmission of HIV and/or HBV and/or to which universal precautions apply: blood, semen, blood products, vaginal secretions, cerebrospinal fluid, synovial fluid, pericardial fluid, amniotic fluid, and concentrated HIV or HBV viruses.
- (2) "Exposure." The contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials to which universal precautions apply through contact with open wounds, non-intact skin, or mucous membranes during the performance of an individual's normal job duties.
- (3) "Hepatitis B Virus (HBV)." A serious blood-borne virus with potential for life-threatening complications. Possible complications include: massive hepatic necrosis, cirrhosis of the liver, chronic active hepatitis, and hepatocellular carcinoma.
- (4) "Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)." The virus that causes acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS). HIV is transmitted through

sexual contact and exposure to infected blood or blood components and perinatally from mother to neonate.

- (5) "Tuberculosis (TB)." An acute or chronic communicable disease that usually affects the respiratory system, but may involve any system in the body.
- (6) "Universal precautions." Refers to a system of infectious disease control which assumes that every direct contact with body fluid is infectious and requires every employee exposed to direct contact with potentially infectious materials to be protected as though such body fluid were HBV or HIV infected. (1997 Code, § 4-504)
- **4-505.** Policy statement. All blood and other potentially infectious materials are infectious for several blood-borne pathogens. Some body fluids can also transmit infections. For this reason, the Center for Disease Control developed the strategy that everyone should always take particular care when there is a potential exposure. These precautions have been termed "universal precautions."

Universal precautions stress that <u>all persons should be assumed to be infectious for HIV and/or other blood-borne pathogens</u>. Universal precautions apply to blood, tissues, and other potentially infectious materials. Universal precautions also apply to semen, (although occupational risk or exposure is quite limited), vaginal secretions, and to cerebrospinal, synovial, pleural, peritoneal, pericardial and amniotic fluids. Universal precautions do not apply to feces, nasal secretions, human breast milk, sputum, saliva, sweat, tears, urine, and vomitus unless these substances contain visible blood. (1997 Code, § 4-505)

- **4-506.** General guidelines. General guidelines which shall be used by everyone include:
- (1) Think when responding to emergency calls and exercise common sense when there is potential exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials which require universal precautions.
- (2) Keep all open cuts and abrasions covered with adhesive bandages which repel liquids.
- (3) Soap and water kill many bacteria and viruses on contact. If hands are contaminated with blood or other potentially infectious materials to which universal precautions apply, then wash immediately and thoroughly. Hands shall also be washed after gloves are removed even if the gloves appear to be intact. When soap and water or handwashing facilities are not available, then use a waterless antiseptic hand cleaner according to the manufacturers recommendation for the product.
- (4) All workers shall take precautions to prevent injuries caused by needles, scalpel blades, and other sharp instruments. To prevent needle stick injuries, needles shall not be recapped, purposely bent or broken by hand, removed from disposable syringes, or otherwise manipulated by hand. After

they are used, disposable syringes and needles, scalpel blades and other sharp items shall be placed in puncture resistant containers for disposal. The puncture resistant container shall be located as close as practical to the use area.

- (5) The town will provide gloves of appropriate material, quality and size for each affected employee. The gloves are to be worn when there is contact (or when there is a potential contact) with blood or other potentially infectious materials to which universal precautions apply:
 - (a) While handling an individual where exposure is possible;
 - (b) While cleaning or handling contaminated items or equipment;
 - (c) While cleaning up an area that has been contaminated with one of the above;

Gloves shall not be used if they are peeling, cracked, or discolored, or if they have punctures, tears, or other evidence of deterioration. Employees shall not wash or disinfect surgical or examination gloves for reuse.

- (6) Resuscitation equipment shall be used when necessary. (No transmission of HBV or HIV infection during mouth-to-mouth resuscitation has been documented.) However, because of the risk of salivary transmission of other infectious diseases and the theoretical risk of HIV or HBV transmission during artificial resuscitation, bags shall be used. Pocket mouth-to-mouth resuscitation masks designed to isolate emergency response personnel from contact with a victims' blood and blood contaminated saliva, respiratory secretion, and vomitus, are available to all personnel to provide or potentially provide emergency treatment.
- (7) Masks or protective eyewear or face shields shall be worn during procedures that are likely to generate droplets of blood or other potentially infectious materials to prevent exposure to mucous membranes of the mouth, nose, and eyes. They are not required for routine care.
- (8) Gowns, aprons, or lab coats shall be worn during procedures that are likely to generate splashes of blood or other potentially infectious materials.
- (9) Areas and equipment contaminated with blood shall be cleaned as soon as possible. A household (chlorine) bleach solution (1 part chlorine to 10 parts water) shall be applied to the contaminated surface as a disinfectant leaving it on for a least 30 seconds. A solution must be changed and re-mixed every 24 hours to be effective.
- (10) Contaminated clothing (or other articles) shall be handled carefully and washed as soon as possible. Laundry and dish washing cycles at 120° are adequate for decontamination.
- (11) Place all disposable equipment (gloves, masks, gowns, etc...) in a clearly marked plastic bag. Place the bag in a second clearly marked bag (double bag). Seal and dispose of by placing in a designated "hazardous" dumpster. NOTE: Sharp objects must be placed in an impervious container and properly dispose of the objects.

(12) Tags shall be used as a means of preventing accidental injury or illness to employees who are exposed to hazardous or potentially hazardous conditions, equipment or operations which are out of the ordinary, unexpected or not readily apparent. Tags shall be used until such time as the identified hazard is eliminated or the hazardous operation is completed.

All required tags shall meet the following criteria:

- (a) Tags shall contain a signal word and a major message. The signal word shall be "BIOHAZARD," or the biological hazard symbol. The major message shall indicate the specific hazardous condition or the instruction to be communicated to employees.
- (b) The signal word shall be readable at a minimum distance of five (5) feet or such greater distance as warranted by the hazard.
- (c) All employees shall be informed of the meaning of the various tags used throughout the workplace and what special precautions are necessary.
- (13) Linen soiled with blood or other potentially infectious materials shall be handled as little as possible and with minimum agitation to prevent contamination of the person handling the linen. All soiled linen shall be bagged at the location where it was used. It shall not be sorted or rinsed in the area. Soiled linen shall be placed and transported in bags that prevent leakage.

The employee responsible for transported soiled linen should always wear protective gloves to prevent possible contamination. After removing the gloves, hands or other skin surfaces shall be washed thoroughly and immediately after contact with potentially infectious materials.

- (14) Whenever possible, disposable equipment shall be used to minimize and contain clean-up. (1997 Code, § 4-506)
- 4-507. <u>Hepatitis B vaccinations</u>. The Town of Englewood shall offer the appropriate Hepatitis B vaccination to employees at risk of exposure free of charge and in amounts and at times prescribed by standard medical practices. The vaccination shall be voluntarily administered. High risk employees who wish to take the HBV vaccination should notify their department head who shall make the appropriate arrangements through the infectious disease control coordinator. (1997 Code, § 4-507)
- **4-508.** Reporting potential exposure. Town employees shall observe the following procedures for reporting a job exposure incident that may put them at risk for HIV or HBV infections (i.e., needle sticks, blood contact on broken skin, body fluid contact with eyes or mouth, etc...):
- (1) Notify the infectious disease control coordinator of the contact incident and details thereof.
- (2) Complete the appropriate accident reports and any other specific form required.

(3) Arrangements will be made for the person to be seen by a physician as with any job-related injury.

Once an exposure has occurred, a blood sample should be drawn after consent is obtained from the individual from whom exposure occurred and tested for Hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) and/or antibody to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV antibody). Testing of the source individual should be done at a location where appropriate pretest counseling is available. Post-test counseling and referral for treatment should also be provided. (1997 Code, § 4-508)

4-509. Hepatitis B virus post-exposure management. For an exposure to a source individual found to be positive for HBsAg, the worker who has not previously been given the hepatitis B vaccine should receive the vaccine series. A single dose of hepatitis B immune globulin (HBIG) is also recommended, if it can be given within seven (7) days of exposure.

For exposure from an HBsAg-positive source to workers who have previously received the vaccine, the exposed worker should be tested for antibodies to hepatitis B surface antigen (anti-HBs), and given one dose of vaccine and one dose of HBIG if the antibody level in the worker's blood sample is inadequate (ie., 10 SRU by RIA, negative by EIA).

If the source individual is negative for HBsAg and the worker has not been vaccinated, this opportunity should be taken to provide the hepatitis B vaccine series. HBIG administration should be considered on an individual basis when the source individual is known or suspected to be at high risk of HBV infection. Management and treatment, if any, of previously vaccinated workers who receive an exposure from a source who refuses testing or is not identifiable should be individualized. (1997 Code, § 4-509)

4-510. Human immunodeficiency virus post-exposure management. For any exposure to a source individual who has AIDS, who is found to be positive for HIV infection, or who refuses testing, the worker should be counseled regarding the risk of infection and evaluated clinically and serologically for evidence of HIV infection as soon as possible after the exposure. The worker should be advised to report and seek medical evaluation for any acute febrile illness that occurs within twelve (12) weeks after the exposure. Such an illness, particularly one characterized by fever, rash, or lymphadenopathy, may be indicative of recent HIV infection.

Following the initial test at the time of exposure, seronegative workers should be retested 6 weeks, 12 weeks, and 6 months after exposure to determine whether transmission has occurred. During this follow-up period (especially the first 6 - 12 weeks after exposure) exposed workers should follow the U.S. Public Health service recommendation for preventing transmission of HIV. These include refraining from blood donations and using appropriate protection during

sexual intercourse. During all phases of follow-up, it is vital that worker confidentiality be protected.

If the source individual was tested and found to be seronegative, baseline testing of the exposed worker with follow-up testing 12 weeks later may be performed if desired by the worker or recommended by the health care provider. If the source individual cannot be identified, decisions regarding appropriate follow-up should be individualized. Serologic testing should be made available by the town to all workers who may be concerned they have been infected with HIV through an occupational exposure. (1997 Code, § 4-510)

- **4-511.** <u>Disability benefits</u>. Entitlement to disability benefits and any other benefits available for employees who suffer from on-the-job injuries will be determined by the Tennessee Worker's Compensations Bureau in accordance with the provisions of T.C.A. 50-6-303. (1997 Code, § 4-511)
- **4-512.** Training regular employees. On an annual basis all employees shall receive training and education on precautionary measures, epidemiology, modes of transmission and prevention of HIV/HBV infection and procedures to be used if they are exposed to needle sticks or potentially infectious materials. They shall also be counseled regarding possible risks to the fetus from HIV/HBV and other associated infectious agents. (1997 Code, § 4-512)
- 4-513. <u>Training high risk employees</u>. In addition to the above, high risk employees shall also receive training regarding the location and proper use of personal protective equipment. They shall be trained concerning proper work practices and understand the concept of "universal precautions" as it applies to their work situation. They shall also be trained about the meaning of color coding and other methods used to designate contaminated material. Where tags are used, training shall cover precautions to be used in handling contaminated material as per this policy. (1997 Code, § 4-513)
- **4-514.** Training new employees. During the new employee's orientation to his/her job, all new employee will be trained on the effects of infectious disease prior to putting them to work. (1997 Code, § 4-514)
- **4-515.** Records and reports. (1) Reports. Occupational injury and illness records shall be maintained by the infectious disease control coordinator. Statistics shall be maintained on the OSHA-200 report. Only those work-related injuries that involve loss of consciousness, transfer to another job, restriction of work or motion, or medical treatment are required to be put on the OSHA-200.
- (2) <u>Needle sticks</u>. Needle sticks, like any other puncture wound, are considered injuries for recordkeeping purposes due to the instantaneous nature of the event. Therefore, any needle stick requiring medical treatment (i.e.

gamma globulin, hepatitis B immune globulin, hepatitis B vaccine, etc...) shall be recorded.

- (3) <u>Prescription medication</u>. Likewise, the use of prescription medication (beyond a single dose for minor injury or discomfort) is considered medical treatment. Since these types of treatment are considered necessary, and must be administered by physician or licensed medical personnel, such injuries cannot be considered minor and must be reported.
- (4) <u>Employee interviews</u>. Should the town be inspected by the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Health Compliance, the compliance safety and health officer may wish to interview employees. Employees are expected to cooperate fully with the compliance officers. (1997 Code, § 4-515)
- 4-516. <u>Legal rights of victims of communicable diseases</u>. Victims of communicable diseases have the legal right to expect, and municipal employees, including police and emergency service officers are duty bound to provide, the same level of service and enforcement as any other individual would receive.
- (1) Officers assume that a certain degree of risk exists in law enforcement and emergency service work and accept those risks with their individual appointments. This holds true with any potential risks of contacting a communicable disease as surely as it does with the risks of confronting an armed criminal.
- (2) Any officer who refuses to take proper action in regard to victims of a communicable disease, when appropriate protective equipment is available, shall the subject to disciplinary measures along with civil and, or criminal prosecution.
- (3) Whenever an officer mentions in a report that an individual has or may have a communicable disease, he shall write "contains confidential medical information" across the top margin of the first page of the report.
- (4) The officer's supervisor shall ensure that the above statement is on all reports requiring that statement at the time the report is reviewed and initiated by the supervisor.
- (5) The supervisor disseminating newspaper releases shall make certain the confidential information is not given out to the news media.
- (6) All requests (including subpoenas) for copies of reports marked "contains confidential medical information" shall be referred to the town attorney when the incident involves an indictable or juvenile offense.
- (7) Prior approval shall be obtained from the town attorney before advising a victim of sexual assault that the suspect has, or is suspected of having a communicable disease.
- (8) All circumstance, not covered in this policy, that may arise concerning releasing confidential information regarding a victim, or suspected victim, of a communicable disease shall be referred directly to the appropriate department head or town attorney.

- (9) Victims of a communicable disease and their families have a right to conduct their lives without fear of discrimination. An employee shall not make public, directly or indirectly, the identity of a victim or suspected victim of a communicable disease.
- (10) Whenever an employee finds it necessary to notify another employee, police officer, firefighter, emergency service officer, or health care provider that a victim has or is suspected of having a communicable disease, that information shall be conveyed in a dignified, discrete and confidential manner. The person to whom the information is being conveyed should be reminded that the information is confidential and that it should not be treated as public information.
- (11) Any employee who disseminates confidential information in regard to a victim, or suspected victim of a communicable disease in violation of this policy shall be subject to serious disciplinary action and/or civil/and/or criminal prosecution. (1997 Code, § 4-516)

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT REGULATIONS

SECTION

- 4-601. Purpose.
- 4-602. Enforcement.
- 4-603. Travel policy.
- 4-604. Travel reimbursement rate schedule.

4-601. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this chapter and referenced regulations is to bring the town into compliance with <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 6-54-901 through 6-54-907. This law requires Tennessee municipalities to adopt travel and expense regulations covering expenses incurred by "any major and any member of the local governing body and any board or committee member elected or appointed by the mayor or local governing body, and any official or employee of the municipality whose salary is set by charter or general law."

To provide consistent travel regulations and reimbursement, this chapter is expanded to cover regular town employees. It is the intent of this policy to assure fair and equitable treatment to all individuals traveling on town business at town expense. (Ord. #12-12-05-70, Dec. 2005)

- **4-602.** Enforcement. The chief administrative officer (CAO) of the town or his or her designee shall be responsible for the enforcement of these travel regulations. (Ord. #12-12-05-70, Dec. 2005)
- 4-603. <u>Travel policy</u>. (1) In the interpretation and application of this chapter, the term "traveler" or "authorized traveler" means any elected or appointed municipal officer or employee, including members of municipal boards and committees appointed by the mayor or the municipal governing body, and the employees of such boards and committees who are traveling on official municipal business whose travel was authorized in accordance with this chapter. "Authorized traveler" shall not include the spouse, children, other relatives, friends, or companions accompanying the authorized traveler on town business, unless the person(s) otherwise qualifies as an authorized traveler under this chapter.
- (2) Authorized travelers are entitled to reimbursement of certain expenditures incurred while traveling on official business for the town. Reimbursable expenses shall include expenses for transportation; lodging; meals; registration fees for conferences, conventions, and seminars; and other actual and necessary expenses related to official business as determined by the CAO. Under certain conditions, entertainment expenses may be eligible for reimbursement.

- (3) Authorized travelers can request either a travel advance for the projected cost of authorized travel, or advance billing directly to the town for registration fees, air fares, meals, lodging, conferences, and similar expenses.
- (4) Travel advance requests are not considered documentation of travel expenses. If travel advances exceed documented expenses, the traveler must immediately reimburse the town. It will be the responsibility of the CAO to initiate action to recover any undocumented travel advances.
- (5) Travel advances are available only for special travel and only after completion and approval of the travel authorization form.
- (6) The travel expense reimbursement form will be used to document all expense claims.
 - (7) To qualify for reimbursement, travel expenses must be:
 - (a) Directly related to the conduct of the town business for which travel was authorized; and
 - (b) Actual, reasonable, and necessary under the circumstances. The CAO may make exceptions for unusual circumstances.

Expenses considered excessive will not be allowed.

- (8) Claims of five dollars (\$5.00) or more for travel expense reimbursement must be supported by the original paid receipt for lodging, vehicle rental, phone calls, public carrier travel, conference fee, and other reimbursable costs.
- (9) Any person attempting to defraud the town or misuse town travel funds is subject to legal action for recovery of fraudulent travel claims and/or advances.
- (10) Mileage and motel expenses incurred within the town are not ordinarily considered eligible expenses for reimbursement. (Ord. #12-12-05-70, Dec. 2005)
- **4-604.** <u>Travel reimbursement rate schedule</u>. (1) Authorized travelers shall be reimbursed according to the State of Tennessee travel regulation rates. The town's travel reimbursement rates will automatically change when the State of Tennessee rates are adjusted.
- (2) The municipality may pay directly to the provider for expenses such as meals, lodging, and registration fees for conferences, conventions, seminars, and other education programs. (Ord. #12-12-05-70, Dec. 2005)

SOCIAL MEDIA USE AND INTERNET POSTING POLICY

- 4-701. Applicability.
- 4-702. Town-owned or created social media.
- 4-703. Non-town social media sites.
- **4-701. Applicability**. (1) This policy applies to every employee, whether part-time, full-time, currently employed by the town in any capacity who posts any material whether written, audio, video or otherwise on any Web site, blog or any other medium accessible via the internet.
- (2) For the purpose of this policy social media is content created by individuals using accessible and scalable technologies through the internet. Examples include: Facebook, blogs, MySpace, RSS, YouTube, Second Life, Twitter, Linkedin, Google Wave, etc. (as added by Ord. #03-14-11-59, March 2011)
- **4-702.** Town-owned or created social media. (1) The town maintains an online presence. An employee may not characterize him or herself as representing the town, directly or indirectly, in any online posting unless pursuant to a written policy of the town or the direction of a supervisor.
- (2) All town social media sites directly or indirectly representing to be an official statement of the town must be created pursuant to this policy and be approved by the town manager.
- (3) The town's primary and predominate internet presence shall remain www.townofenglewood.com and no other Web site, blog or social media site shall characterize itself as such.
- (4) The town manager is responsible for the content and upkeep of any social media created pursuant to this policy.
- (5) Whenever possible a social media site shall link or otherwise refer visitors to the town's main Web site.
- (6) In addition to this policy all social media sites shall comply with any and every other applicable town policy including but not limited to:
 - (a) Open record policy;
 - (b) Internet use policy;
 - (c) IT security policy;
 - (d) Ethics policy;
 - (e) Records retention policy.

- (7) A social media site is subject to Tennessee's Public Records Act¹ and Open Meetings Act² and no social media shall be used to circumvent or otherwise be in violation of these laws. All information posted on a social media site shall be a public record and subject to public inspection. All lawful records request for information contained on a social media site shall be fulfilled by the town manager and any employee whose assistance is necessitated. Every social media site shall contain a clear and conspicuous statement referencing the aforementioned state laws. All official postings on a social media site shall be preserved in accordance with the town's records retention schedule.
- (8) A social media site shall also contain a clear and conspicuous statement that the purpose of the site is to serve as a mechanism for communication between the town and its constituents and that all postings are subject to review and deletion by the town. The following content is not allowed and will be immediately removed and may subject the poster to banishment from all town social media sites:
 - (a) Comments not typically related to the particular social media article being commented upon;
 - (b) Comments in support of opposition to political campaigns or ballot measures:
 - (c) Profane language or content;
 - (d) Content that promotes, fosters, or perpetuates discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, age, religion, gender, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, rational origin, physical or mental disability or sexual orientation:
 - (i) Sexual content or links to sexual content;
 - (ii) Solicitations of commerce;
 - (iii) Conduct or encouragement of illegal activity;
 - (iv) Information that may tend to compromise the safety or security of the public or public systems; or
 - (v) Content that violates a legal ownership interest of any other party.
- (9) The town will approach the use of social media tools, software, hardware and applications in a consistent, town wide manner. All new tools, software, hardware and applications must be approved by the town manager.
- (10) Administration of the town social media sites. The town manager will maintain a list of social media tools which are approved for use by town departments and staff. The town manager will maintain a list of all town social

¹State law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, § 10-7-101, et seg.

²State law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, § 8-44-101, et seq.

media sites, including login and password information. Employees and officials will inform the town manager of any new social media sites or administrative changes to existing sites.

The town must be able to immediately edit or remove content from social media sites.

- (11) For each social media tool approved for use by the town the following documentation will be developed and adopted:
 - (a) Operational and use guidelines;
 - (b) Standards and processes for managing accounts on social media sites;
 - (c) Town and departments branding standards;
 - (d) Enterprise-wide design standards. (as added by Ord. #03-14-11-59, March 2011)
- **4-703.** <u>Non-town social media sites</u>. (1) An employee may not characterize him or herself as representing the town, directly or indirectly, in any online posting unless pursuant to a written policy of the town or the direction of a supervisor.
- (2) The use of a town e-mail address, job title, official town name, seal or logo shall be deemed an attempt to represent the town in an official capacity. Other communications leading an average viewer to conclude that a posting was made in an official capacity shall also be deemed an attempt to represents the town in an official capacity.
- (3) Departments have the option of allowing employees to participate in existing social networking sites as part of their job duties. Department heads may allow or disallow employee participation in any social media activities in their departments.
- (4) Any postings on a non-town social media site made in an official capacity shall be subject to the Tennessee Open Records Act and the Tennessee Open Meetings Act.
- (5) An employee or official posting on a social media site shall take reasonable care not to disclose any confidential information in any posting.
- (6) When posting in a non-official capacity an employer or official shall take reasonable care not to identify themselves as an official or employee of the town. When the identity of an employee or official posting on a non-town media site is apparent, the employer or official shall clearly state that he or she is posting in private capacity. (as added by Ord. #03-14-11-59, March 2011)

TITLE 5

MUNICIPAL FINANCE AND TAXATION

CHAPTER

- 1. MISCELLANEOUS.
- 2. REAL PROPERTY TAXES.
- 3. PRIVILEGE TAXES GENERALLY.
- 4. WHOLESALE BEER TAX.

CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

- 5-101. Official depository for town funds.
- 5-102. Public advertisement and competitive bidding.
- **5-101.** Official depository for town funds. BB&T and Peoples Bank and Trust of Englewood, Tennessee, is hereby designated as the official depository for all municipal funds. (1997 Code, § 5-101, modified)
- **5-102.** Public advertising and competitive bidding. Public advertisement and competitive bidding shall be required for the purchase of all goods and services exceeding an amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) except for those purchases specifically exempted from advertisement and bidding by the Municipal Purchasing Act of 1983. (as added by Ord. #06-08-09-11, June 2009)

REAL PROPERTY TAXES¹

SECTION

5-201. When due and payable.

5-202. When delinquent--penalty and interest.

5-201. When due and payable. Taxes levied by the municipality against real property shall become due and payable annually on the first day of October of the year for which levied. (1997 Code, § 5-201)

5-202. When delinquent—penalty and interest. All real property taxes shall become delinquent on and after the first day of March next after they become due and payable, and shall thereupon be subject to such penalty and interest as is authorized and prescribed by the state law for delinquent county real property taxes.² (1997 Code, § 5-202)

¹State law references

Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 67-1-701, 67-1-702 and 67-1-801, read together, permit a municipality to collect its own property taxes if its charter authorizes it to do so, or to turn over the collection of its property taxes to the county trustee. Apparently, under those same provisions, if a municipality collects its own property taxes, tax due and delinquency dates are as prescribed by the charter; if the county trustee collects them, the tax due date is the first Monday in October, and the delinquency date is the following March 1.

<u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 67-5-2010(b) provides that if the county trustee collects the municipality's property taxes, a penalty of ½ of 1% and interest of 1% shall be added on the first day of March, following the tax due date and on the first day each succeeding month.

²State law reference

A municipality has the option of collecting delinquent property taxes any one of three ways:

- (1) Under the provisions of its charter for the collection of delinquent property taxes.
- (2) Under Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-55-201--6-55-206.
- (3) By the county trustee under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 67-5-2005.

PRIVILEGE TAXES GENERALLY

SECTION

5-301. Tax levied.

5-302. License required.

5-301. Tax levied. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this code, there is hereby levied on all vocations, occupations, and businesses declared by the general laws of the state to be privileges taxable by municipalities, an annual privilege tax in the maximum amount allowed by state laws. (1997 Code, § 5-301)

5-302. <u>License required</u>. No person shall exercise any such privilege within the municipality without a currently effective privilege license, which shall be issued by the recorder to each applicant therefor upon the applicant's payment of the appropriate privilege tax. (1997 Code, § 5-302)

WHOLESALE BEER TAX

SECTION

5-401. To be collected.

5-401. <u>To be collected</u>. The recorder is hereby directed to take appropriate action to assure payment to the municipality of the wholesale beer tax levied by the "Wholesale Beer Tax Act," as set out in <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 57, chapter 6.¹ (1997 Code, § 5-401)

¹State law reference

<u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 57, chapter 6 provides for a tax of 17% on the sale of beer at wholesale. Every wholesaler is required to remit to each municipality the amount of the net tax on beer wholesale sales to retailers and other persons within the corporate limits of the municipality.

TITLE 6

LAW ENFORCEMENT

CHAPTER

1. POLICE AND ARREST.

CHAPTER 1

POLICE AND ARREST¹

SECTION

- 6-101. Policemen subject to chief's orders.
- 6-102. Policemen to preserve law and order, etc.
- 6-103. Policemen to wear uniforms and be armed.
- 6-104. When policemen to make arrests.
- 6-105. Policemen may require assistance in making arrests.
- 6-106. Disposition of persons arrested.
- 6-107. Police department records.
- **6-101.** Policemen subject to chief's orders. All policemen shall obey and comply with such orders and administrative rules and regulations as the police chief may officially issue. (1997 Code, § 6-101)
- **6-102.** Policemen to preserve law and order, etc. Policemen shall preserve law and order within the Town of Englewood. They shall patrol the municipality and shall assist the town court during the trial of cases. Policemen shall also promptly serve any legal process issued by the city court. (1997 Code, § 6-102)
- **6-103.** Policemen to wear uniforms and be armed. All policemen shall wear such uniform and badge as the board of commissioners shall authorize and shall carry a service pistol and billy club at all times while on duty unless otherwise expressly directed by the chief for a special assignment. (1997 Code, § 6-103)
- **6-104.** When policemen to make arrests¹. Unless otherwise authorized or directed in this code or other applicable law, an arrest of the person shall be made by a policeman in the following cases:

¹Municipal code reference

Traffic citations, etc.: title 15, chapter 7.

- (1) Whenever he is in possession of a warrant for the arrest of the person.
- (2) Whenever an offense is committed or a breach of the peace is threatened in the officer's presence by the person.
- (3) Whenever a felony has in fact been committed and the officer has reasonable cause to believe the person has committed it. (1997 Code, § 6-104)
- 6-105. <u>Policemen may require assistance in making arrests</u>. It shall be unlawful for any male person to willfully refuse to aid a policeman in making a lawful arrest when such a person's assistance is requested by the policeman and is reasonably necessary to effect the arrest. (1997 Code, § 6-105)
- 6-106. <u>Disposition of persons arrested</u>. Unless otherwise authorized by law, when a person is arrested for any offense other than one involving drunkenness he shall be brought before the town court for immediate trial or allowed to post bond. When the arrested person is drunk or when the town judge is not immediately available and the alleged offender is not able to post the required bond, he shall be confined. (1997 Code, § 6-106)
- **6-107.** Police department records. The police department shall keep a comprehensive and detailed daily record in permanent form, showing:
- (1) All known or reported offenses and/or crimes committed within the corporate limits of the Town of Englewood.
 - (2) All arrests made by policemen.
- (3) All police investigations made, funerals convoyed, fire calls answered, and other miscellaneous activities of the police department. (1997 Code, § 6-107)

TITLE 7

FIRE PROTECTION AND FIREWORKS¹

CHAPTER

- 1. FIRE DISTRICT.
- 2. FIRE CODE.
- 3. FIRE DEPARTMENT.
- 4. FIRE SERVICE OUTSIDE TOWN LIMITS.
- 5. FIREWORKS.

CHAPTER 1

FIRE DISTRICT

SECTION

7-101. Fire limits described.

7-101. Fire limits described. The corporate fire limits shall be as follows:

Any place reachable by the fire hose from fire hydrant. (1997 Code, \S 7-101)

 1 Municipal code reference

Building, utility and housing codes: title 12.

FIRE CODE

- 7-201. Fire code adopted.
- 7-202. Modifications.
- 7-203. Definition of "municipality."
- 7-204. Gasoline trucks.
- 7-205. Variances.
- 7-206. Violations and penalties.
- 7-201. Fire code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506, and for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion, the Uniform Fire Code (NFPA 1), 2003 edition, including each reference in NFPA 1, Chapter 2 (excluding NFPA 5000), is hereby adopted by reference and included as a part of this code. Each reference in the Uniform Fire Code, Chapter 2, to an NFPA code or standard shall be deemed to be the edition printed in the National Fire Codes, 2003 edition. Pursuant to the requirement of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the Uniform Fire Code has been filed with the town recorder and is available for public use and inspection. The Uniform Fire Code is adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein and shall be controlling within the corporate limits.
- **7-202.** Modifications. The Uniform Fire Code adopted in § 7-201 above is modified by deleting therefrom section 1.10, titled Board of Appeals, in its entirety; § 7-205 below shall control appeals.
- **7-203.** <u>Definition of "municipality".</u> Whenever the word "municipality" is used in the uniform fire code herein adopted, it shall be held to mean the Town of Englewood, Tennessee.
- **7-204.** <u>Gasoline trucks</u>. No person shall operate or park any gasoline tank truck within the central business district or within any residential area at any time except for the purpose of, and while actually engaged in, the expeditious delivery of gasoline.
- **7-205.** <u>Variances</u>. The chief of the fire department may recommend to the board of board of commissioners variances from the provisions of the uniform fire code upon application in writing by any property owner or lessee, or the duly authorized agent of either, when there are practical difficulties in the way of carrying out the strict letter of the code, provided that the spirit of the

code shall be observed, public safety secured, and substantial justice done. The particulars of such variances when granted or allowed shall be contained in a resolution of the board of board of commissioners.

7-206. <u>Violations and penalties</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any of the provisions of this chapter or the Uniform Fire Code herein adopted, or fail to comply therewith, or violate or fail to comply with any order made thereunder; or build in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder, and from which no appeal has been taken; or fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the board of board of commissioners or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed herein. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense. The application of a penalty shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions.

FIRE DEPARTMENT¹

SECTION

- 7-301. Establishment, equipment, and membership.
- 7-302. Objectives.
- 7-303. Organization, rules, and regulations.
- 7-304. Records and reports.
- 7-305. Tenure and compensation of members.
- 7-306. Chief responsible for training.
- 7-307. Chief to be assistant to state officer.
- 7-301. Establishment, equipment, and membership. There is hereby established a fire department to be supported and equipped from appropriations by the board of commissioners of the municipality. All apparatus, equipment, and supplies shall be purchased by or through the municipality and shall be and remain the property of the municipality. The fire department shall be composed of a chief appointed by the town manager and such number of physically fit subordinate officers and firemen and the board of commissioners shall authorize and the town manager shall appoint. (Ord. #091205-68, Oct. 2005)
 - **7-302. Objectives**. The fire department shall have as its objectives:
 - (1) To enforce fire prevention regulations.
 - (2) To prevent the loss of life and property in case a fire does start.
 - (3) To confine fires to their places of origin.
 - (4) To extinguish uncontrolled fires.
 - (5) To prevent loss of life from asphyxiation or drowning.
- (6) To perform such rescue work as its equipment and/or the training of its personnel makes practicable. (1997 Code, § 7-302)
- **7-303.** Organization, rules, and regulations. The chief of the fire department shall set up the organization of the department, make definite assignments to individuals, and shall formulate and enforce such rules and regulations as shall be necessary for the orderly and efficient operation of the fire department. (1997 Code, § 7-303)
- **7-304.** Records and reports. The chief of the fire department shall keep adequate records of all fires, inspections, apparatus, equipment, personnel,

Special privileges with respect to traffic: title 15, chapter 2.

¹Municipal code reference

and work of the department. He shall submit a written report on such matters to the mayor once each month, and at the end of the year a detailed annual report shall be made. (1997 Code, § 7-304)

7-305. <u>Tenure and compensation of members</u>. The chief shall hold office so long as his conduct and efficiency are satisfactory to the town manager. However, so that adequate discipline may be maintained, the chief shall have the authority to suspend or discharge any other member of the fire department when he deems such action to be necessary for the good of the department. All disciplinary action taken by the chief shall first be reviewed and confirmed by the town manager, before any action is taken.

All personnel of the fire department shall receive such compensation for their services as the board of commissioners may from time to time prescribe. (Ord. #091205-68, Oct. 2005)

- 7-306. <u>Chief responsible for training</u>. The chief of the fire department shall be fully responsible for the training of the firemen, and the minimum training shall consist of having the personnel take the fire apparatus out for practice operations not less then once a month. (1997 Code, § 7-306)
- 7-307. Chief to be assistant to state officer. Pursuant to requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 68-102-108, the chief of the fire department is designated as an assistant to the state commissioner of commerce and insurance and is subject to all the duties and obligations imposed by Tennessee Code Annotated, title 68, chapter 102, and shall be subject to the directions of the fire prevention commissioner in the execution of the provisions thereof. (1997 Code, § 7-307)

FIRE SERVICE OUTSIDE TOWN LIMITS

SECTION

7-401. Restrictions on fire service outside town limits.

- 7-401. <u>Restrictions on fire service outside town limits</u>. The board shall have full power and authority to authorize the use of the town's fire-fighting equipment and personnel outside the corporate limits to suppress and extinguish fires subject to such conditions and limitations of such action as the board may impose pursuant to the authority of:
- Tennessee Code Annotated, § 58-8-101, et seq., the Mutual Aid and Emergency Disaster Assistance Agreement Act of 2004, which authorizes municipalities to respond to requests from other governmental entities affected by situations in which its resources are inadequate to handle. The act provides procedures and requirements for providing assistance. No separate mutual aid agreement is required unless assistance is provided to entities in other states, but a municipality may, by resolution, continue existing agreements or establish separate agreements to provide assistance. Assistance to entities in other states is still provided pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 12-9-101, et seg. "Assistance" is defined in the act as "the provision of personnel, equipment, facilities, services, supplies, and other resources to assist in firefighting, law enforcement, the provision of public works services, the provision of emergency medical care, the provision of civil defense services, or any other emergency assistance one governmental entity is able to provide to another in response to a request for assistance in a municipal, county, state, or federal state of emergency."
- (2) <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 12-9-101, <u>et seq.</u>, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, which authorizes municipalities and other governments to enter into mutual aid agreements of various kinds.
- (3) <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 6-54-601, which authorizes municipalities to:
 - (a) Enter into mutual aid agreements with other municipalities, counties, privately incorporated fire departments, utility districts and metropolitan airport authorities which provide for firefighting service, and with industrial fire departments, to furnish one another with fire fighting assistance.
 - (b) Enter into contracts with organizations of residents and property owners of unincorporated communities to provide such communities with firefighting assistance.

(c) Provide fire protection outside their city limits to either citizens on an individual contractual basis, or to citizens in an area without individual contracts, whenever an agreement has first been entered into between the municipality providing the fire service and the county or counties in which the fire protection is to be provided. (Counties may compensate municipalities for the extension of fire services.) (1997 Code, § 7-401, modified)

FIREWORKS

- 7-501. Purpose.
- 7-502. Definitions.
- 7-503. Permit required.
- 7-504. Permit fee.
- 7-505. Privilege licenses required.
- 7-506. Permissible types of fireworks.
- 7-507. Conditions for sale and use permissible items.
- 7-508. Retail sale of permissible items--time limitations--exceptions.
- 7-509. Public displays--permits--regulation.
- 7-510. Regulations governing storing, locating or display of fireworks.
- 7-511. Unlawful acts in the sale, handling or private use of fireworks.
- 7-512. Seizure and destruction of fireworks.
- 7-513. Penalty for violation.
- 7-514. Exceptions to application.
- **7-501.** Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to provide an ordinance for regulation of the manufacture, sale, display and use of certain fireworks for both private and public display within the corporate limits of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee setting certain guidelines which shall provide for the general safety and welfare of the citizens thereof. (1997 Code, § 7-501)
- **7-502.** <u>**Definitions**</u>. As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them herein, unless clearly indicated otherwise.
- (1) "Distributor" means any person engaged in the business of making sales of fireworks to any other person engaged in the business of reselling fireworks either as a retailer, wholesaler, or any person who receives, brings, or imports any fireworks of any kind, in any manner into the Town of Englewood, except to a holder of a manufacturer's, distributor's or wholesaler's permit issued by the state fire marshal and the Englewood Mayor or his designee.
- (2) "D.O.T. Class C common fireworks" means all articles of fireworks as are now or hereafter classified as "D.O.T. Class C common fireworks" in the regulations of the United States Department of Transportation for transportation of explosive and other dangerous articles.
- (3) "Manufacturer" means any person engaged in the making, manufacture or construction of fireworks of any kind within the Town of Englewood.
- (4) "Permit" means the written authority of the city mayor or his designee issued under the authority of this chapter.
 - (5) "Person" means, any individual, firm, partnership or corporation.

- (6) "Retailer" means any person engaged in the business of making retail sales of firework at specified times during the year as provided herein.
- (7) "Sale" means an exchange of articles of fireworks for money and also includes the barter, exchange, gift or offer thereof, and each such transaction made by any person, whether as principal, proprietor, salesman, agent, association, co-partnership, or one (1) or more individuals.
- (8) "Special fireworks" means all articles of fireworks that are classified in Class B explosives in the regulation of the United States Department of Transportation and includes all articles other than those classified in Class C. (1997 Code, § 7-502)
- 7-503. Permit required. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, offer for sale, ship or cause to be shipped into the Town of Englewood, except as herein provided, any item of fireworks, without first having secured the required applicable permit as a manufacturer, distributor, wholesaler or retailer, from both the Town of Englewood Mayor or his designee and the state fire marshal, possession of said permits being hereby made a condition prerequisite to selling or offering for sale, shipping or causing to be shipped any fireworks into the Town of Englewood, except as herein provided. Permits issued under this section are not transferable. No permit shall be issued for manufacturing of fireworks within the town as the same is prohibited. (1997 Code, § 7-503)
- **7-504.** Permit fee. The permit fee for the permit provided for in § 7-503 of this chapter shall be two hundred fifty dollars and the permit shall be valid for thirty (30) days. However, the board of commissioners may in its discretion waive the permit fee for any non-profit organization requesting the permit. (1997 Code, § 7-504)
- **7-505.** <u>Privilege licenses required</u>. The issuance of permits provided for herein shall not replace or relieve any person of state, county or municipal privilege licenses as now or hereafter provided by law. (1997 Code, § 7-505)
- **7-506.** Permissible types of fireworks. It is unlawful for any individual, firm, partnership or corporation to possess, sell or use within the Town of Englewood, or ship into the Town of Englewood, except as provided in this chapter, any pyrotechnics commonly known as "fireworks" other than the following permissible items:
- (1) Those items now or hereafter classified as D.O.T. Class 5 C common fireworks; or
- (2) Those items that comply with the construction, chemical composition and labeling regulations promulgated by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission and permitted for use by the general public under its regulations. (1997 Code, § 7-506)

- 7-507. Conditions for sale and use permissible items. No permissible articles of common fireworks, shall be sold, offered for sale, or possessed within the Town of Englewood, or used within the town, unless it is properly named and labeled to conform to the nomenclature of allowed fireworks and unless it is certified an "common fireworks" on all shipping cases and by imprinting on the article or retail container "D.O.T. Class C common fireworks," such imprint to be of sufficient size and so positioned as to be readily recognized by law enforcement authorities and the general public. The Fire Marshal of the State of Tennessee regulations relative to the possession and sale of fireworks, their storage and safety requirements, are here and now incorporated by reference herein, together with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA 1124), and the Standard Fire Prevention Code, all in full force and effect within the town. (1997 Code, § 7-507)
- **7-508.** Retail sale of permissible items--time limitations-exceptions. Permissible articles of fireworks may be sold at retail to residents of the Town of Englewood and used within the Town of Englewood from June 20th through July 5th, and December 10th through January 2nd of each year only, except that "fireworks" does not include toy pistols, toy canes, toy guns, or other devices in which paper caps containing twenty-five one-hundredths (25/100) grains or less of explosive compounds are used, provided they are so constructed that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for exploding, and toy paper pistol caps which contain less than twenty-five one-hundredths (25/100) grains of explosive compounds, cone, bottle, tube, and other type serpentine pop-off novelties, model rockets, wire sparklers, containing not over one hundred (100) grams of composition per item (sparklers containing chlorate or perchlorate sales may not exceed five (5) grams of composition per item), emergency flares, matches, trick matches, and cigarette loads, the sale and use of which shall be permitted at all times. (1997 Code, § 7-508)
- 7-509. Public displays—permits—regulation. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as applying to the shipping, sale, possession, and use of fireworks for public displays by holders of a permit for a public display to be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the state fire marshal. Such items of fireworks which are to be used for public display only and which are otherwise prohibited for sale and use within the Town of Englewood shall include display shells designed to be fired from mortars and display set pieces of fireworks classed by the regulation of the United States Department of Transportation as "Class B special fireworks" and shall not include such items of commercial fireworks as cherry bombs, tubular salutes, repeating bombs, aerial bombs and torpedoes. Public displays shall be performed only under competent supervision, and after the persons or organizations making such displays shall have received written approval from the police chief and city mayor or his designee, and applied for and received a

permit for such displays issued by the state fire marshal. Applicants for permits for such public displays shall be made in writing and shall show that the proposed display is to be so located and supervised that it is not hazardous to property and that it shall not endanger human lives. Possession of special fireworks for re-sale to holders of a permit for public fireworks displays shall be confined to holders of a distributors permit only. (1997 Code, § 7-509)

- 7-510. Regulations governing storing, locating or display of fireworks. (1) Placing, storing, locating or displaying fireworks in any window where the sun may shine through glass onto the fireworks so displayed or to permit the presence of lighted cigars, cigarettes, or pipes within ten (10) feet of where the fireworks are offered for sale is hereby declared unlawful and prohibited. At all places where fireworks are stored or sold, there must be posted signs with the words "fireworks- no smoking" in letters not less than four (4) inches high. No fireworks shall be sold at retail at any location where paints, oils or vanishes are for sale or use, unless such paints, oils or varnishes are kept in their original consumer containers, nor where resin, turpentine, gasoline or any other flammable substance is stored or sold, if the storage creates an undue hazard to any person or property.
- (2) All firework devices that are readily accessible to handling by consumers or purchaser, must have their fuses protected in such a manner as to protect against accidental ignition of an item by spark, cigarette ash or other ignition source. Safety-type thread-wrapped and coated fuses shall be exempt from this provision.
- (3) All fireworks devices sold under a duly issued permit must be located not less than three hundred (300) feet from any gasoline dispensing pump.
- (4) As permits are temporary for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, the permit shall state any sales site must be at all times free from litter and debris, including the termination date of authorized selling periods. Violation of this provision, for which citation may issue, may give cause to refuse issuance of another permit for a period not to exceed three (3) years. (1997 Code, § 7-510)

7-511. <u>Unlawful acts in the sale, handling or private use of</u> **fireworks**. (1) It is unlawful to:

- (a) Offer for retail sale or to sell any fireworks to children under the age of ten (10) years or to any intoxicated or irresponsible person;
- (b) Explode or ignite fireworks within six hundred (600) feet of any church, hospital, asylum, public school or within five-hundred (500) feet of where fireworks are stored, sold or offered for sale, or within five hundred (500) feet of a gasoline retailer or wholesale storage facility;
- (c) Ignite or discharge any permissible articles of fireworks within or throw the same from a motor vehicle while within, nor shall any

- person place or throw any ignited article of fireworks into or at such a motor vehicle, or at or near any person or group of people;
- (2) All items of fireworks which exceed the limits of D.O.T. Class C common fireworks as to explosive composition, such items being commonly referred to as "illegal ground salutes" designed to produce an audible effect, are expressly prohibited from shipment into, manufacture, possession, sale or use within the Town of Englewood for any purpose. This subsection shall not effect display fireworks authorized by this chapter.
- (3) Fail to comply with the town's zoning ordinance relative to minimum front building line set back requirements set forth in said ordinance at a retail sale site. (1997 Code, § 7-511)
- **7-512.** <u>Seizure and destruction of fireworks</u>. (1) The Englewood Mayor or his designee, may seize as contraband any fireworks other than "Class C common fireworks" or "special fireworks" for public displays, which are sold, displayed, used or purchased in violation of this chapter.
 - (2) Before any seized fireworks may be destroyed:
 - (a) If the owner of such seized fireworks is known, the city mayor or his designee shall give notice by registered mail or personal service to such owner, of the fire chief's intention to destroy such seized materials. Such notice shall inform the owner of the owner's right to a hearing. Upon the request of the owner, the city mayor or his designee shall conduct an appropriate contested case hearing concerning such destruction of fireworks in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 4, chapter 5.
 - (b) If the identity of the owner of any seized fireworks is not known to the city mayor or his designee, the city mayor or his designee shall cause to be published, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county wherein the seizure was made, notice of such seizure, and of the fire chief's intention to destroy such fireworks. The notice shall be published once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks and if no person claims ownership of the fireworks within ten (10) days of the date of the last publication, the fire chief may proceed to destroy the fireworks. If the owner does claim the fireworks within the time specified, a hearing as set out in this subsection shall be held. (1997 Code, § 7-512)
- 7-513. Penalty for violation. Any individual, firm, partnership or corporation that violates any provision of this chapter, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00). In addition, the Town of Englewood may refuse to issue another permit to the holder of a permit so convicted for a period not to exceed three (3) years. (1997 Code, § 7-513)

7-514. Exceptions to application. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as applying to the manufacture, storage, sale or use of signals necessary for the safe operation of railroads or other classes of public or private transportation or of illuminating devices for photographic use, nor as applying to the military or naval forces of the United States, of the State of Tennessee or to peace officers, nor as prohibiting the sale or use of blank cartridges for ceremonial, theatrical, or athletic events, nor as applying to the transportation, sale or use of fireworks solely for agricultural purposes, providing the purchaser first secures a written permit to purchase and use fireworks for agricultural purposes only from the state fire marshal, and after approval of the county agricultural agent of the county in which the fireworks are to be used and the fireworks must at all times be kept in possession of the farmer to whom the permit is issued. Such permits and fireworks shall not be transferable. Items sold for agricultural purposes shall be limited to those items that are legal for retail sale and use within the Town of Englewood. (1997 Code, § 7-514)

TITLE 8

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES¹

CHAPTER

- 1. INTOXICATING LIQUORS.
- 2. BEER.

CHAPTER 1

INTOXICATING LIQUORS

SECTION

8-101. Prohibited generally.

8-101. Prohibited generally. Except when he affirmatively shows that he has express authority under the state law, it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture, receive, possess, store, transport, sell, furnish, or solicit orders for any intoxicating liquor within this municipality. "Intoxicating liquor" shall be defined to include whiskey, wine, "home brew," "moonshine," and all other intoxicating, spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors and beers which contain more than five percent (5%) of alcohol by weight. (1997 Code, § 8-101)

¹State law reference Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57.

BEER

- 8-201. Beer board established.
- 8-202. Meetings of the beer board.
- 8-203. Record of beer board proceedings to be kept.
- 8-204. Requirements for beer board quorum and action.
- 8-205. Powers and duties of the beer board.
- 8-206. "Beer" defined.
- 8-207. Permit required for engaging in beer business.
- 8-208. Privilege tax.
- 8-209. Beer permits shall be restrictive.
- 8-210. Limitation on number of permits.
- 8-211. Interference with public health, safety, and morals prohibited.
- 8-212. Prohibited conduct or activities by beer permit holders, employees and persons engaged in the sale of beer.
- 8-213. Revocation or suspension of beer permits.
- 8-214. Civil penalty in lieu of revocation or suspension.
- 8-215. Loss of clerk's certification for sale to minor.
- 8-216. Violations.
- **8-201.** Beer board established. There is hereby established a beer board to be composed of five (5) members appointed by the board of commissioners. A chairman shall be elected annually by the board from among its members. All members of the beer board shall serve without compensation.
- **8-202.** Meetings of the beer board. All meetings of the beer board shall be open to the public. The board shall hold regular meetings in the town hall at such times as it shall prescribe. When there is business to come before the beer board, a special meeting may be called by the chairman provided he gives a reasonable notice thereof to each member. The board may adjourn a meeting at any time to another time and place.
- 8-203. Record of beer board proceedings to be kept. The recorder shall make a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the beer board. The record shall be a public record and shall contain at least the following: The date of each meeting; the names of the board members present and absent; the names of the members introducing and seconding motions and resolutions, etc., before the board; a copy of each such motion or resolution presented; the vote of each member thereon; and the provisions of each beer permit issued by the board.

- **8-204.** Requirements for beer board quorum and action. The attendance of at least a majority of the members of the beer board shall be required to constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business. Matters before the board shall be decided by a majority of the members present if a quorum is constituted. Any member present but not voting shall be deemed to have cast a "nay" vote.
- **8-205.** Powers and duties of the beer board. The beer board shall have the power and it is hereby directed to regulate the selling, storing for sale, distributing for sale, and manufacturing of beer within this municipality in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.
- **8-206.** "Beer" defined. The term "beer" as used in this chapter shall mean and include all beers, ales, and other malt liquors having an alcoholic content of not more than five percent (5%) by weight, except wine as defined in Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-3-101(a)(20); provided however, that no more than forty-nine percent (49%) of the overall alcoholic content of such beverage may be derived from the addition of flavors and other nonbeverage ingredients containing alcohol.
- 8-207. Permit required for engaging in beer business. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, store for sale, distribute for sale, or manufacture beer without first making application to and obtaining a permit from the beer board. The application shall be made on such form as the board shall prescribe and/or furnish, and pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-5-104(a), shall be accompanied by a non-refundable application fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00). Said fee shall be in the form of a cashier's check payable to the Town of Englewood. Each applicant must be a person of good moral character and he must certify that he has read and is familiar with the provisions of this chapter.
- 8-208. Privilege tax. There is hereby imposed on the business of selling, distributing, storing or manufacturing beer a privilege tax of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). Any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, syndicate or association engaged in the sale, distribution, storage or manufacture of beer shall remit the tax each successive January 1 to the Town of Englewood, Tennessee. At the time a new permit is issued to any business subject to this tax, the permit holder shall be required to pay the privilege tax on a prorated basis for each month or portion thereof remaining until the next tax payment date.
- 8-209. <u>Beer permits shall be restrictive</u>. All beer permits shall be restrictive as to the type of beer business authorized under them. Separate permits shall be required for selling at retail, storing, distributing, and

manufacturing. It shall be unlawful for any beer permit holder to engage in any type or phase of the beer business not expressly authorized by his permit. It shall likewise be unlawful for him not to comply with any and all express restrictions or conditions in his permit.¹

- **8-210.** Permits for the retail sale of beer. Permits for the retail sale of beer shall be restricted to the sale of beer to be consumed off the premises.
- 8-211. <u>Interference with public health, safety, and morals prohibited</u>. No permit authorizing the sale of beer will be issued when such business would cause congestion of traffic or would interfere with hospitals, schools, residences, churches, or other places of public gathering, or would otherwise interfere with the public health, safety, and morals.
- 8-212. Prohibited conduct or activities by beer permit holders, employees and persons engaged in the sale of beer. It shall be unlawful for any beer permit holder to:
- (1) Employ any minor under 18 years of age in the sale, storage, distribution or manufacture of beer.
- (2) Make or allow the sale of beer between the hours of 3:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M. on weekdays; or on election days before and while the polls are lawfully open, except, on Sunday, make or allow between 3:00 A.M. and noon.
- (3) Allow any person under twenty-one (21) years of age to loiter in or about his place of business.
- (4) Make or allow any sale of beer to any intoxicated person or to any feeble-minded, insane, or otherwise mentally incapacitated person.
 - (5) Allow drunk persons to loiter about his premises.
- (6) Serve, sell, or allow the consumption on his premises of any alcoholic beverage with an alcoholic content of more than five percent (5%) by weight.
- (7) Allow pool or billiard playing in the same room where beer is sold and/or consumed.

Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-5-301(a) provides that neither beer permit holders nor persons employed by them may have been "convicted of any violation of the laws against possession, sale, manufacture and transportation of intoxicating liquor or any crime involving moral turpitude" within the previous ten years. Under Tennessee Code Annotated § 57-5-301(b), violations are punishable under state law as a Class A misdemeanor. Under Tennessee Code Annotated § 16-18-302, town courts may only enforce local ordinances that mirror, substantially duplicate or incorporate by reference Class C misdemeanors. Town courts are thus prohibited from enforcing ordinances making violations of Tennessee Code Annotated § 57-5-301(a) a local offense.

¹State law reference

(8) Fail to provide and maintain separate sanitary toilet facilities for men and women.

In addition, it shall be unlawful for any Class 2 on premises permit holder to employ any person under the age of eighteen (18) on the premises in any capacity whatsoever.

8-213. Revocation or suspension of beer permits. The beer board shall have the power to revoke or suspend any beer permit issued under the provisions of this chapter when the holder thereof is guilty of making a false statement or misrepresentation in his application or of violating any of the provisions of this chapter. However, no beer permit shall be revoked or suspended until a public hearing is held by the board after reasonable notice to all the known parties in interest. Revocation or suspension proceedings may be initiated by the police chief or by any member of the beer board.

Pursuant to <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 57-5-608, the beer board shall not revoke or suspend the permit of a "responsible vendor" qualified under the requirements of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> § 57-5-606 for a clerk's illegal sale of beer to a minor if the clerk is properly certified and has attended annual meetings since the clerk's original certification, unless the vendor's status as a certified responsible vendor has been revoked by the alcoholic beverage commission. If the responsible vendor's certification has been revoked, the vendor shall be punished by the beer board as if the vendor were not certified as a responsible vendor. "Clerk" means any person working in a capacity to sell beer directly to consumers for off-premises consumption. Under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 57-5-608, the alcoholic beverage commission shall revoke a vendor's status as a responsible vendor upon notification by the beer board that the board has made a final determination that the vendor has sold beer to a minor for the second time in a consecutive twelve-month period. The revocation shall be for three (3) years.

8-214. Civil penalty in lieu of revocation or suspension.

- (1) <u>Definition</u>. "Responsible vendor" means a person, corporation or other entity that has been issued a permit to sell beer for off-premises consumption and has received certification by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission under the "Tennessee Responsible Vendor Act of 2006," <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 57-5-601, et seq.
- (2) <u>Penalty, revocation or suspension</u>. The beer board may, at the time it imposes a revocation or suspension, offer a permit holder that is not a responsible vendor the alternative of paying a civil penalty not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for each offense of making or permitting to be made any sales to minors, or a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for any other offense.

The beer board may impose on a responsible vendor a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each offense of making or permitting to be made any sales to minors or for any other offense.

If a civil penalty is offered as an alternative to revocation or suspension, the holder shall have seven (7) days within which to pay the civil penalty before the revocation or suspension shall be imposed. If the civil penalty is paid within that time, the revocation or suspension shall be deemed withdrawn.

Payment of the civil penalty in lieu of revocation or suspension by a permit holder shall be an admission by the holder of the violation so charged and shall be paid to the exclusion of any other penalty that the town may impose.

- 8-215. <u>Loss of clerk's certification for sale to minor</u>. If the beer board determines that a clerk of an off-premises beer permit holder certified under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, 57-5-606, sold beer to a minor, the beer board shall report the name of the clerk to the alcoholic beverage commission within fifteen (15) days of determination of the sale. The certification of the clerk shall be invalid and the clerk may not reapply for a new certificate for a period of one (1) year from the date of the beer board's determination.
- **8-216.** <u>Violations</u>. Except as provided in § 8-214, any violation of this chapter shall constitute a civil offense and shall, upon conviction, be punishable by a penalty under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation shall be allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense.

TITLE 9

BUSINESS, PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.1

CHAPTER

- 1. MISCELLANEOUS.
- 2. PEDDLERS, ETC.
- 3. CHARITABLE SOLICITORS.
- 4. TAXICABS.
- 5. POOL ROOMS.
- 6. CABLE TELEVISION.
- 7. ADULT ORIENTED ESTABLISHMENTS.

CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION

9-101. "Going out of business" sales.

9-101. "Going out of business" sales. It shall be unlawful for any person to falsely represent a sale as being a "going out of business" sale. A "going out of business" sale, for the purposes of this section, shall be a "fire sale," "bankrupt sale," "loss of lease sale," or any other sale made in anticipation of the termination of a business at its present location. When any person, after advertising a "going out of business" sale, adds to his stock or fails to go out of business within ninety (90) days he shall prima facie be deemed to have violated this section. (1997 Code, § 9-101)

Building, plumbing, wiring and housing regulations: title 12.

Liquor and beer regulations: title 8.

Noise reductions: title 11.

Zoning: title 14.

¹Municipal code references

PEDDLERS, ETC.¹

SECTION

- 9-201. Permit required.
- 9-202. Exemptions.
- 9-203. Application for permit.
- 9-204. Issuance or refusal of permit.
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- 9-206. Bond.
- 9-207. Loud noises and speaking devices.
- 9-208. Use of streets.
- 9-209. Exhibition of permit.
- 9-210. Policemen to enforce.
- 9-211. Revocation or suspension of permit.
- 9-212. Reapplication.
- 9-213. Expiration and renewal of permit.
- **9-201.** Permit required. It shall be unlawful for any peddler, canvasser or solicitor, or transient merchant to ply his trade within the corporate limits without first obtaining a permit in compliance with the provisions of this chapter. No permit shall be used at any time by any person other than the one to whom it is issued. (1997 Code, § 9-201)
- 9-202. Exemptions. The terms of this chapter shall not be applicable to persons selling at wholesale to dealers, nor to newsboys, nor to bona fide merchants who merely deliver goods in the regular course of business, nor to bona fide charitable, religious, patriotic or philanthropic organizations. (1997 Code, § 9-202)
- **9-203.** Application for permit. Applicants for a permit under this chapter must file with the town recorder a sworn written application containing the following:
 - (1) Name and physical description of applicant.
- (2) Complete permanent home address and local address of the applicant and, in the case of transient merchants, the local address from which proposed sales will be made.
- (3) A brief description of the nature of the business and the goods to be sold.

¹Municipal code reference Privilege taxes: title 5.

- (4) If employed, the name and address of the employer, together with credentials therefrom establishing the exact relationship.
 - (5) The length of time for which the right to do business is desired.
- (6) A recent clear photograph approximately two (2) inches square showing the head and shoulders of the applicant.
- (7) The names of at least two (2) reputable local property owners who will certify as to the applicant's good moral reputation and business responsibility, or in lieu of the names of references, such other available evidence as will enable an investigator to properly evaluate the applicant's moral reputation and business responsibility.
- (8) A statement as to whether or not the applicant has been convicted of any crime or misdemeanor or for violating any municipal ordinance; the nature of the offense; and, the punishment or penalty assessed therefor.
- (9) The last three (3) cities or towns, if that many, where applicant carried on business immediately preceding the date of application and, in the case of transient merchants, the addresses from which such business was conducted in those municipalities.
- (10) At the time of filing the application, a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) shall be paid to the municipality to cover the cost of investigating the facts stated therein. (1997 Code, § 9-203)
- **9-204.** <u>Issuance or refusal of permit</u>. (1) Each application shall be referred to the police department for investigation. The department shall report its findings to the town recorder.
- (2) If as a result of such investigation the department reports the applicant's moral reputation and/or business responsibility to be unsatisfactory the town recorder shall notify the applicant that his application is disapproved and that no permit will be issued.
- (3) If, on the other hand, the police report indicates that the moral reputation and business responsibility of the applicant are satisfactory the town recorder shall issue a permit upon the payment of all applicable privilege taxes and the filing of the bond required by § 9-206. The town recorder shall keep a permanent record of all permits issued. (1997 Code, § 9-204, modified)
- 9-205. Appeal. Any person aggrieved by the action of the police department and/or the town recorder in the denial of a permit shall have the right to appeal to the board of commissioners. Such appeal shall be taken by filing with the mayor within fourteen (14) days after notice of the action complained of, a written statement setting forth fully the grounds for the appeal. The mayor shall set a time and place for a hearing on such appeal and notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be given to the appellant. The notice shall be in writing and shall be mailed, postage prepaid, to the applicant at his last known address at least five (5) days prior to the date set for hearing, or

shall be delivered by a police officer in the same manner as a summons at least three (3) days prior to the date set for hearing. (1997 Code, § 9-205)

- 9-206. <u>Bond</u>. Every permittee shall file with the town recorder a surety bond running to the Town of Englewood in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). The bond shall be conditioned that the permittee shall comply fully with all the provisions of the municipal code and the statutes of the state regulating peddlers, canvassers, solicitors, transient merchants, itinerant merchants, or itinerant vendors, as the case may be, and shall guarantee to any citizen of the town that all money paid as a down payment will be accounted for and applied according to the representations of the permittee, and further guaranteeing to any citizen of the municipality doing business with said permittee that the property purchased will be delivered according to the representations of the permittee. Action on such bond may be brought by any person aggrieved and for whose benefit, among others, the bond is given, but the surety may, by paying, pursuant to order of the court, the face amount of the bond to the clerk of the court in which the suit is commenced, be relieved without costs of all further liability. (1997 Code, § 9-206)
- 9-207. Loud noises and speaking devices. No permittee, nor any person in his behalf, shall shout, cry out, blow a horn, ring a bell or use any sound amplifying device upon any of the sidewalks, streets, alleys, parks or other public places of the town or upon private premises where sound of sufficient volume is emitted or produced therefrom to be capable of being plainly heard upon the adjacent sidewalks, streets, alleys, parks, or other public places, for the purpose of attracting attention to any goods, wares or merchandise which such permittee proposes to sell. (1997 Code, § 9-207)
- 9-208. <u>Use of streets</u>. No permittee shall have any exclusive right to any location in the public streets, nor shall any be permitted a stationary location thereon, nor shall any be permitted to operate in a congested area where the operation might impede or inconvenience the public use of the streets. For the purpose of this chapter, the judgment of a police officer, exercised in good faith, shall be deemed conclusive as to whether the area is congested and the public impeded or inconvenienced. (1997 Code, § 9-208)
- **9-209.** Exhibition of permit. Permittees are required to exhibit their permits at the request of any policeman or citizen. (1997 Code, § 9-209)
- **9-210.** Policemen to enforce. It shall be the duty of all policemen to see that the provisions of this chapter are enforced. (1997 Code, § 9-210)

- **9-211.** Revocation or suspension of permit. (1) Permits issued under the provisions of this chapter may be revoked by the board of commissioners after notice and hearing, for any of the following causes:
 - (a) Fraud, misrepresentation, or incorrect statement contained in the application for permit, or made in the course of carrying on the business of solicitor, canvasser, peddler, transient merchant, itinerant merchant, or itinerant vendor.
 - (b) Any violation of this chapter.
 - (c) Conviction of any crime or misdemeanor.
 - (d) Conducting the business of peddler, canvasser, solicitor, transient merchant, itinerant merchant, or itinerant vendor, as the case may be, in an unlawful manner or in such a manner as to constitute a breach of the peace or to constitute a menace to the health, safety, or general welfare of the public.
- (2) Notice of the hearing for revocation of a permit shall be given by the town recorder in writing, setting forth specifically the grounds of complaint and the time and place of hearing. Such notice shall be mailed to the permittee at his last known address at least five (5) days prior to the date set for hearing, or it shall be delivered by a police officer in the same manner as a summons at least three (3) days prior to the date set for hearing.
- (3) When reasonably necessary in the public interest the mayor may suspend a permit pending the revocation hearing. (1997 Code, § 9-211)
- 9-212. <u>Reapplication</u>. No permittee whose permit has been revoked shall make further application until a period of at least six (6) months has elapsed since the last revocation. (1997 Code, § 9-212)
- 9-213. Expiration and renewal of permit. Permits issued under the provisions of this chapter shall expire on the same date that the permittee's privilege license expires and shall be renewed without cost if the permittee applies for and obtains a new privilege license within thirty (30) days thereafter. Permits issued to permittees who are not subject to a privilege tax shall be issued for one (1) year. An application for a renewal shall be made substantially in the same form as an original application. However, only so much of the application shall be completed as is necessary to reflect conditions which have changed since the last application was filed. (1997 Code, § 9-213)

CHARITABLE SOLICITORS

- 9-301. Permit required.
- 9-302. Prerequisites for a permit.
- 9-303. Denial of a permit.
- 9-304. Exhibition of permit.
- 9-305. Number of permits per month; soliciting at intersections.
- 9-301. Permit required. No person shall solicit contributions or anything else of value for any real or alleged charitable or religious purpose without a permit from the town recorder authorizing such solicitation. Provided, however, that this section shall not apply to any locally established organization or church operated exclusively for charitable or religious purposes if the solicitations are conducted exclusively among the members thereof, voluntarily and without remuneration for making such solicitations, or if the solicitations are in the form of collections or contributions at the regular assemblies of any such established organization or church. (1997 Code, § 9-301)
- **9-302.** Prerequisites for a permit. The recorder shall issue a permit authorizing charitable or religious solicitations when, after a reasonable investigation, he finds the following facts to exist:
- (1) The applicant has a good character and reputation for honesty and integrity, or if the applicant is not an individual person, that every member, managing officer or agent of the applicant has a good character or reputation for honesty and integrity.
- (2) The control and supervision of the solicitation will be under responsible and reliable persons.
- (3) The applicant has not engaged in any fraudulent transaction or enterprise.
- (4) The solicitation will not be a fraud on the public but will be for a bona fide charitable or religious purpose.
- (5) The solicitation is prompted solely by a desire to finance the charitable cause described by the applicant. (1997 Code, § 9-302)
- **9-303.** Denial of a permit. Any applicant for a permit to make charitable or religious solicitations may appeal to the board of commissioners if he has not been granted a permit within fifteen (15) days after he makes application therefor. (1997 Code, § 9-303)

- 9-304. Exhibition of permit. Any solicitor required by this chapter to have a permit shall exhibit such permit at the request of any policeman or person solicited. (1997 Code, § 9-304)
- 9-305. Number of permits per month; soliciting at intersections. Permits for charitable or religious solicitations within the town's corporate limits shall be issued on a first to apply basis, to be conducted on the particular day of the month by the requesting charitable or religious organization. All charitable or religious solicitation permits issued shall allow no more than four solicitors from the permittee to be within the streets at any one time and all solicitations shall take place at the intersection of Highway Thirty Nine and Athens Street and Niota Road within the town corporate limits. Any violation of this section will be subjected to a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) per incident. (1997 Code, § 9-305)

TAXICABS¹

SECTION

- 9-401. Taxicab franchise and privilege license required.
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- 9-417. Fares.

9-401. Taxicab franchise and privilege license required. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the taxicab business unless he has first obtained a taxicab franchise from the municipality and has a currently effective privilege license. (1997 Code, § 9-401)

9-402. Requirements as to application and hearing. No person shall be eligible to apply for a taxicab franchise if he has a bad character or has been convicted of a felony within the last ten (10) years. Applications for taxicab franchises shall be made under oath and in writing to the police. The application shall state the name and address of the applicant, the name and address of the proposed place of business, the number of cabs the applicant desires to operate, the makes and models of said cabs, and such other pertinent information as the chief of police may require. The application shall be accompanied by at least two (2) affidavits of reputable local citizens attesting to the good character and reputation of the applicant. Within ten (10) days after receipt of an application the chief of police shall make a thorough investigation of the applicant; determine if there is a public need for additional taxicab

¹Municipal code reference Privilege taxes: title 5.

service; present the application to the board of commissioners; and make a recommendation to either grant or refuse a franchise to the applicant. The board of commissioners shall thereupon hold a public hearing at which time witnesses for and against the granting of the franchise shall be heard. In deciding whether or not to grant the franchise the board of commissioners shall consider the public need for additional service, the increased traffic congestion, parking space requirements, and whether or not the safe use of the streets by the public, both vehicular and pedestrian, will be preserved by the granting of such an additional taxicab franchise. Those persons already operating taxicabs when this code is adopted shall not be required to make applications under this section but shall be required to comply with all of the other provisions hereof. (1997 Code, § 9-402)

- 9-403. <u>Liability insurance required</u>. No taxicab franchise shall be issued or continued in operation unless there is in full force and effect a liability insurance policy for each vehicle authorized in the amount of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) for bodily injury or death of any one (1) person in any one (1) accident, occurrence or act, and not less than seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000.00) for bodily injury or death of all persons in any one (1) accident, occurrence or act, and one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for injury or destruction of property of others in any one (1) accident, occurrence, or act. The insurance policy required by this section shall contain a provision that is shall not be cancelled except after at least twenty (20) days' written notice is given by the insuror to both the insured and the recorder of the town. (1997 Code, § 9-403, modified)
- **9-404.** Revocation or suspension of franchise. The board of commissioners, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend any taxicab franchise for traffic violations or violations of this chapter by the taxicab owner or any driver. (1997 Code, § 9-404)
- 9-405. Mechanical condition of vehicles. It shall be unlawful for any taxicab to operate in the Town of Englewood unless it is equipped with four (4) wheel brakes, front and rear lights, safe tires, horn, muffler, windshield wipers, and rear vision mirror, all of which shall conform to the requirements of state law. Each taxicab shall be equipped with a handle or latch or other opening device attached to each door of the passenger compartment so that such doors may be operated by the passenger from the inside of the taxicab without the intervention or assistance of the driver. The motor and all mechanical parts shall be kept in such condition or repair as may be reasonably necessary to provide for the safety of the public and the continuous satisfactory operation of the taxicab. (1997 Code, § 9-405)

- 9-406. <u>Cleanliness of vehicles</u>. All taxicabs operated in the municipality shall, at all times, be kept in a reasonably clean and sanitary condition. They shall be thoroughly swept and dusted at least once each day. At least once every week they shall be thoroughly washed and the interior cleaned with a suitable antiseptic solution. (1997 Code, § 9-406)
- **9-407.** <u>Inspection of vehicles</u>. All taxicabs shall be inspected at least semiannually by the police department to insure that they comply with the requirements of this chapter with respect to mechanical condition, cleanliness, etc. (1997 Code, § 9-407)
- **9-408.** License and permit required for drivers. No person shall drive a taxicab unless he is in possession of a state special chauffeur's license and a taxicab driver's permit issued by the chief of police. (1997 Code, § 9-408)
- **9-409.** Qualifications for driver's permit. No person shall be issued a taxicab driver's permit unless he complies with the following to the satisfaction of the chief of police:
 - (1) Makes written application to the chief of police.
- (2) Is at least eighteen (18) years of age and holds a state special chauffeur's license.
- (3) Undergoes an examination by a physician and is found to be of sound physique, with good eyesight and hearing and not subject to epilepsy, vertigo, heart trouble or any other infirmity of body or mind which might render him unfit for the safe operation of a public vehicle.
- (4) Is clean in dress and person and is not addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor or drugs.
- (5) Produces affidavits of good character from two (2) reputable citizens of the Town of Englewood who have known him personally and have observed his conduct for at least two (2) years next preceding the date of his application.
- (6) Has not been convicted of a felony, drunk driving, driving under the influence of an intoxicant or drug, or of frequent minor traffic offenses.
- (7) Is familiar with the state and local traffic laws. (1997 Code, § 9-409)
- **9-410.** Revocation or suspension of driver's permit. The board of commissioners, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend any taxicab driver's permit for traffic violations or violation of this chapter. (1997 Code, § 9-410)
- 9-411. <u>Drivers not to solicit business</u>. All taxicab drivers are expressly prohibited from indiscriminately soliciting passengers or from cruising

upon the streets of the municipality for the purpose of obtaining patronage for their cabs. (1997 Code, § 9-411)

- 9-412. Parking restricted. It shall be unlawful to park any taxicab on any street except in such places as have been specifically designated and marked by the Town of Englewood for the use of taxicabs. It is provided, however, that taxicabs may stop upon any street for the purpose of picking up or discharging passengers if such stops are made in such manner as not to unreasonably interfere with or obstruct other traffic and provided the passenger loading or discharging is promptly accomplished. (1997 Code, § 9-412)
- **9-413.** Drivers to use direct routes. Taxicab drivers shall always deliver their passengers to their destinations by the most direct available route. (1997 Code, § 9-413)
- **9-414.** <u>Taxicabs not to be used for illegal purposes</u>. No taxicab shall be used for or in the commission of any illegal act, business, or purpose. (1997 Code, § 9-414)
- 9-415. <u>Miscellaneous prohibited conduct by drivers</u>. It shall be unlawful for any taxicab driver, while on duty, to be under the influence of, or to drink any intoxicating beverage or beer; to use profane or obscene language; to shout or call to prospective passengers; to unnecessarily blow the automobile horn; or to otherwise disturb the peace, quiet and tranquility of the Town of Englewood in any way. (1997 Code, § 9-415)
- 9-416. <u>Transportation of more than one passenger at the same</u> <u>time</u>. No person shall be admitted to a taxicab already occupied by a passenger without the consent of such other passenger. (1997 Code, § 9-416)
- **9-417. Fares**. A flat rate for the following taxicab service shall be fixed by the board of commissioners by resolution:
- (1) Transporting one passenger from any one place to any other place within the town limits;
- (2) An additional fare for more than one passenger carried on the same trip;
- (3) For an origin or destination outside of the town limits, the fare shall be the flat rate plus an additional rate for each mile or fraction thereof the taxicab is required to travel outside of the town limits. (1997 Code, § 9-417)

POOL ROOMS¹

SECTION

- 9-501. Prohibited in residential areas.
- 9-502. Hours of operation regulated.
- 9-503. Minors to be kept out; exception.
- 9-501. Prohibited in residential areas. It shall be unlawful for any person to open, maintain, conduct, or operate any place where pool tables or billiard tables are kept for public use or hire on any premises located in any block where fifty percent (50%) or more of the land is used or zoned for residential purposes. (1997 Code, § 9-501)
- **9-502.** Hours of operation regulated. It shall be unlawful for any person to open, maintain, conduct, or operate any place where pool tables or billiard tables are kept for public use or hire at any time on Sunday or between the hours of 11:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. on other days. (1997 Code, § 9-502)
- 9-503. Minors to be kept out; exception. It shall be unlawful for any person engaged regularly, or otherwise, in keeping billiard, bagatelle, or pool rooms or tables, their employees, agents, servants, or other persons for them, knowingly to permit any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to play on said tables at any game of billiards, bagatelle, pool, or other games requiring the use of cue and balls, without first having obtained the written consent of the father and mother of such minor, if living; if the father is dead, then the mother, guardian, or other person having legal control of such minor; or if the minor be in attendance as a student at some literary institution, then the written consent of the principal or person in charge of such school; provided that this section shall not apply to the use of billiards, bagatelle, and pool tables in private residences. (1997 Code, § 9-503)

¹Municipal code reference Privilege taxes: title 5.

CABLE TELEVISION

SECTION

9-601. To be furnished under franchise.

9-601. <u>To be furnished under franchise</u>. Cable television service shall be furnished to the Town of Englewood and its inhabitants under franchise as the board of commissioners shall grant. The rights, powers, duties and obligations of the Town of Englewood and its inhabitants and the grantee of the franchise shall be clearly stated in the franchise agreement which shall be binding upon the parties concerned.¹ (1997 Code, § 9-601)

¹For complete details relating to the cable television franchise agreement see Ord. #030795 in the office of the town recorder.

ADULT ORIENTED ESTABLISHMENTS

SECTION

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- 9-715. Prohibitions and unlawful sexual acts.
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9-701. <u>Findings and purpose</u>. (1) The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee, finds:

- (a) That homogenous and heterogenous masturbatory acts and other sexual acts, including oral sex acts, could occur in adult-oriented establishments in the Town of Englewood;
- (b) That offering and providing such space, areas, and rooms where such activities may take place creates conditions that generate prostitution and other crimes;
- (c) That the unregulated operation of adult-oriented establishments would be detrimental to the general welfare, health, and safety of the citizens of the Town of Englewood.
- (2) It is the purpose of this chapter to promote and secure the general welfare, health, and safety of the citizens of the Town of Englewood. (1997 Code, § 9-701)
- **9-702.** <u>**Definitions**</u>. For the purpose of this chapter, the words and phrases used herein shall have the following meanings, unless otherwise clearly indicated by the context:
- (1) "Adult-orient establishment" shall include, but not be limited to,"adult bookstores," "adult motion picture theaters," " adult mini motion picture establishments," or "adult cabaret" and further means any premises to

which the public patrons or members are invited or admitted and which are so physically arranged as to provide booths, cubicles, rooms, compartments or stalls separate from the common areas of the premises for the purpose of viewing adult-oriented motion pictures, or wherein an entertainer provides adult entertainment to a member of the public, a patron or a member, when such adult entertainments are held, conducted, operated or maintained for a profit, direct or indirect. Any "adult-oriented establishment" further includes, without being limited to any "adult entertainment studio" or any premises that is physically arranged and used as such, whether advertised or represented as an adult entertainment studio, rap studio, exotic dance studio, encounter studio, sensitivity studio, modeling studio or any other term of like import.

- (2) "Adult bookstore" means an establishment having as a substantial or significant portion of its stock and trade in books, films, video cassettes, or magazines and other periodicals which are distinguished or characterized by the emphasis on matter.
- (3) "Adult motion picture theater" means an enclosed building with a capacity of fifty (50) or more persons regularly used for presenting material having as a dominant theme or presenting material distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to "specified anatomical areas," as defined below for observation by patrons therein.
- (4) "Adult mini motion picture theater" means an enclosed building with a capacity of less than fifty (50) persons regularly used for presenting material distinguished or characterized by an emphasis matter depicting, describing, or relating to "specified sexual activities" or "special anatomical areas," as defined below for observation by patrons therein.
- (5) "Adult cabaret" is defined to mean an establishment which features as a principal use of its business, entertainers, and/or waiters and/or bartenders who expose to public view of the patrons within said establishment, at any time, the bare female breast below a point immediately above the top of the areola, human genitals, pubic region, or buttocks, even if partially covered by opaque material or completely covered by translucent material; including swim suits, lingerie, or latex covering. Adult cabarets shall include commercial establishments which feature entertainment of an erotic nature including exotic dancers, strippers, male or female impersonators, or similar entertainers.
- (6) "Board of commissioners" means the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee.
- (7) "Employee" means any and all persons, including independent contractors, who work in or at or render services directly related to the operation of an adult-oriented establishment.
- (8) "Entertainer" means any person who provides entertainment within an adult-oriented establishment as defined in this section, whether or not a fee is charged or accepted for entertainment and whether or not entertainment is provided as an employee or an independent contractor.

- (9) "Adult entertainment" means any exhibition of any adult-oriented motion pictures, live performance, display or dance of any type, which has a significant or substantial portion of such performance, any actual or simulated performance of specified sexual activities or exhibition, and viewing of specified anatomical area, removal of articles of clothing or appearing unclothed, pantomime, modeling, or any other personal service offered customers.
- (10) "Operator" means any person, partnership, or corporation operating, conducting, or maintaining an adult-oriented establishment.
 - (11) "Specified sexual activities" means:
 - (a) Human genitals in a state of sexual stimulation or arousal;
 - (b) Acts of human masturbation, sexual intercourse, or sodomy;
 - (c) Fondling or erotic touching of human genitals, public region, buttock, or female breasts.
 - (12) "Specified anatomical areas" means:
 - (a) Less than completely and opaquely covered;
 - (i) Human genitals, pubic region;
 - (ii) Buttocks:
 - (iii) Female breasts below a point immediately above the top of the areola area; and
 - (b) Human male genitals in a discernibly turgid state, even if completely opaquely covered. (1997 Code, § 9-702)
- **9-703.** <u>License required</u>. (1) Except as provided in subsection (5) below, from and after the effective date of this chapter, no adult-oriented establishment shall be operated or maintained in the Town of Englewood without first obtaining a license to operate issued by the Town of Englewood.
- (2) A license may be issued only for one (1) adult-oriented establishment located at a fixed and certain place. Any person, partnership, or corporation which desires to operate more than one (1) adult-oriented establishment must have a license for each.
- (3) No license will be issued for any adult-oriented establishment within 1,000 feet of any structure currently occupied by a religious, child care, or educational facility, as measured in a straight line from the nearest corner of the two structures.
- (4) No license or interest in a license may be transferred to any person, partnership, or corporation.
- (5) It shall be unlawful for any entertainer, employee, or operator to knowingly work in or about, or to knowingly perform any service directly related to the operations of any unlicensed adult-oriented establishment.
- (6) All existing adult-oriented establishments at the time of the passage of this chapter¹ must submit an application for a license within one

¹The ordinance comprising this chapter (Ord. #031102.38) was passed May (continued...)

hundred twenty (120) days of the passage of this chapter on third and final reading. If a license is not issued within said one-hundred-twenty-day period, then such existing adult-oriented establishment shall cease operations. (1997 Code, § 9-703)

- 9-704. Application for license. (1) Any person, partnership or corporation desiring to secure a license shall make application to the town recorder. The application shall be filed in triplicate with and dated by the Town of Englewood. A copy of the application shall be distributed promptly by the town recorder to the Englewood Police Department and to the applicant.
- (2) The application for a license shall be upon a form provided by the town recorder. An applicant for a license including any partner or limited partner of the partnership applicant, and any officer or director of the corporate applicant and any stockholder holding more than five (5) percent of the stock of a corporate applicant or any other person who is interested directly in the ownership or operation of the business, shall furnish the following information under oath:
 - (a) Name and address, including all aliases.
 - (b) Written proof that the individual is at least eighteen (18) years of age.
 - (c) All residential addresses of the applicant for the past three (3) years.
 - (d) The applicant's height, weight, color of eye and hair.
 - (e) The business, occupation or employment of the applicant for five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
 - (f) Whether the applicant previously operated in this or any other county, city, or state under an adult-oriented establishment license or similar business license; whether the applicant has ever had such a license revoked or suspended, the reason therefor, and the business entity or trade name under which the applicant operated that was subject to the suspension or revocation.
 - (g) All criminal statutes, whether federal or state, or town ordinance violation convictions, forfeiture of bond and pleadings of nolo contenders on all chargers, except minor traffic violations.
 - (h) Fingerprints and two (2) portrait photographs at least two (2) inches by two (2) inches of the applicant.
 - (i) The address of the adult-oriented establishment to be operated by the applicant.
 - (j) The names and addresses of all persons, partnerships, or corporations holding any beneficial interest in the real estate upon which such adult-oriented establishment is to be operated, including but not

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limited to contact purchasers or sellers, beneficiaries of land trust or lessees subletting to applicant.

- (k) If the premises are leased or being purchased under contract, a copy of such lease or contract shall accompany the application.
- (l) The length of time the applicant has been a resident of the Town of Englewood or its environs immediately preceding the date of the application.
- (m) If the applicant is a corporation, the application shall specify the name of the corporation, the date and state of incorporation, the name and address of the registered agent and the name and address of all principal shareholders, officers, and directors of the corporation.
- (n) A statement by the applicant that he or she is familiar with the provisions of this chapter and is in compliance with them.
- (o) All inventory, equipment, or supplies which are to be leased, purchased, held in consignment, or in any other fashion kept on the premises or any part or portion thereof for storage, display, another use therein, or in connection with the operation of said establishment, or for resale, shall be identified in writing accompanying the application specifically designating the distributor's business name, address, phone number, and representative's name.
- (3) Within ten (10) days of receiving the results of the investigation conducted by the Englewood Police Department, the town recorder shall notify the applicant that his application is granted, denied, or held for further investigation. Such additional investigation shall not exceed an additional thirty (30) days unless otherwise agreed to by the applicant. Upon conclusion of such additional investigation, the town recorder shall advise the applicant in writing whether the application is granted or denied.
- (4) Whenever an application is denied or held for further investigation, the town recorder shall advise the applicant in writing of the reasons for such action. If the applicant requests a hearing within ten (10) days of the receipt of notification of denial, a public hearing shall be held thereafter before the board of commissioners at which time the applicant may present evidence as to why is license should not be denied. The board of commissioners shall hear evidence as to the basis of the denial and shall affirm or reject the denial of an application at the hearing. If any application for an adult-oriented establishment license is denied by the board of commissioners and no agreement is reached with the applicant concerning the basis for denial, the town attorney shall institute suit for declaratory judgment in the Chancery County of McMinn County, Tennessee, within five (5) days of the date of any such denial and shall seek an immediate judicial determination of whether such license or permit may be properly denied under the law.
- (5) Failure or refusal of the applicant to give any information relevant to the investigation of the application, or his or her refusal or failure to appear at any reasonable time and place for examination under oath regarding said

application or his or her refusal to submit to or cooperate with any investigation required by this chapter, shall constitute an admission by the applicant that he or she is ineligible for such license and shall be grounds for denial thereof by the town recorder. (1997 Code, § 9-704)

- **9-705.** Standards for issuance of license. (1) To receive a license to operate an adult-oriented establishment, an applicant must meet the following standards:
 - (a) If the applicant is an individual:
 - (i) The applicant shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
 - (ii) The applicant shall not have been convicted of or pleaded nolo contendere to a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude, prostitution, obscenity, or other crime of a sexual nature in any jurisdiction within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
 - (iii) The applicant shall not have been found to have previously violated this chapter within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
 - (b) If the applicant is a corporation:
 - (i) All officers, directors, and stockholders required to be named under § 9-704(2) shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
 - (ii) No officer, director, or stockholder required to be named under § 9-704 (2) shall have been convicted of or pleaded nolo contendere to a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude, prostitution, obsenity, or other crime of a sexual nature in any jurisdiction within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
 - (iii) No officer, director, or stockholder required to be named under § 9-704 (2) shall have been found to have previously violated this chapter within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
 - (c) If the applicant is a partnership, joint venture, or any other type of organization where two (2) or more persons have a financial interest:
 - (i) No persons having a financial interest in the partnership, joint venture, or other type of organization shall have been convicted of or pleaded nolo contendere to a felony or any crime of a sexual nature in any jurisdiction within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
 - (ii) No persons have a financial interest in the partnership, joint venture or other type of organization shall have been found to have previously violated this chapter within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.

- (2) No license shall be issued unless the Englewood Police Department has investigated the applicant's qualification to be licensed. The results of that investigation shall be filed in writing with the town recorder no later than twenty (20) days after the date of the application. (1997 Code, § 9-705)
- 9-706. <u>Permit required</u>. In addition to the license requirement previously set forth for owners and operators of "adult-oriented establishments," no person shall be an employee or entertainer in an adult-oriented establishment without first obtaining a valid permit issued by the town recorder. (1997 Code, § 9-706)
- **9-707.** Application for permit. (1) Any person desiring to secure a permit shall make application to the town recorder. The application shall be filed in triplicate with and dated by the town recorder. A copy of the application shall be distributed promptly by the town recorder to the Englewood Police Department and to the applicant.
- (2) The application for a permit shall be upon a form provided by the town recorder. An application for a permit shall furnish the following information under oath.

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- (a) Name and address, including all aliases.
- (b) Written proof that the individual is at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- (c) All residential addresses of the applicant for the past three (3) years.
 - (d) The applicant's height, weight, color of eyes and hair.
- (e) The business, occupation, or employment of the applicant for five years immediately preceding the date of the application.
- (f) Whether the applicant, while previously operating in this or any other city or state under an adult-oriented establishment permit or similar business for whom applicant was employed or associated at the time, has ever had such a permit revoked or suspended, the reason therefore, and the business entity or trade name or where the applicant was employed or associated at the time of the suspension or revocation.
- (g) All criminal statutes, whether federal, state, or town ordinance violation, convictions, forfeiture of bond and pleadings or nolo contendere on all charges, except minor traffic violations.
- (h) Fingerprints and two (2) portrait photographs at least two (2) inches by two (2) inches of the applicant.
- (i) The length of time the applicant has been a resident of the Town of Englewood or its environs immediately preceding the date of the application.

- (j) A statement by the applicant that he or she is familiar with the provisions of this chapter and is in compliance with them.
- (3) Within ten (10) days of receiving the results of the investigation conducted by the Englewood Police Department, the town recorder shall notify the applicant that his application is granted, denied, or held for further investigation. Such additional investigation shall not exceed an additional thirty (30) days unless otherwise agreed to by the applicant. Upon conclusion of such additional investigations, the town recorder shall advise the applicant in writing within ten (10) days whether the application is granted or denied.
- (4) Whenever an application is denied or held for further investigation, the town recorder shall advise the applicant in writing of the reasons for such action. If the applicant requests a hearing within ten (10) days of receipt of notification of denial, a public hearing shall be held thereafter before the board of commissioners at which time the applicant may present evidence bearing upon the question. If the board of commissioners denies a license application, the town attorney shall within ten (10) days after the denial institute a suit for declaratory judgment in state court for review of the denial.
- (5) Failure or refusal of the applicant to give information relevant to the investigation of the application, or his or her refusal or failure to appear at any reasonable time and place for examination under oath regarding said investigation required by this chapter, shall constitute an admission by the applicant that he or she is ineligible for such license and shall be grounds for denial thereof by the town recorder. (1997 Code, § 9-707)
- **9-708.** Standards for issuance of permit. (1) To receive a permit as an employee, an applicant must meet the following standards:
 - (a) The applicant shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
 - (b) The applicant shall not have been convicted of or pleaded nolo contendere to a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude, prostitution, obscenity, or other crime of a sexual nature in any jurisdiction within five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the application.
- (2) No permit shall be issued until the Englewood Police Department has investigated the applicant's qualifications to receive a permit. The result of that investigation shall be filed in writing with the town recorder no later than twenty (20) days after the date of the application.
- (3) Whenever an application for a permit as an employee is denied, the applicant may within ten (10) days of receipt of notification of denial request a hearing before the board of commissioners, at which the applicant may present evidence bearing upon the question. This hearing shall be held by the board of commissioners at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board of commissioners which occurs more than five (5) days after the request for a hearing has been filed. If the board of commissioners denies the applicant a permit as an employee, the town attorney shall within ten (10) days after the

denial institute suit for declaratory judgment in state court for review of the denial. (1997 Code, § 9-708)

- **9-709. Fees.** (1) A license fee of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) shall be submitted with the application for a license. If the application is denied, one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the fee shall be returned.
- (2) A permit fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be submitted with the application for a permit. If the application is denied, one-half (½) of the fee shall be returned. (1997 Code, § 9-709)
- **9-710.** <u>Display of license or permit</u>. (1) The license shall be displayed in a conspicuous public place in the adult-oriented establishment.
- (2) The permit shall be carried by an employee upon his or her person and shall be displayed upon request of a customer, any member of the Englewood Police Department, or any person designated by the board of commissioners. (1997 Code, § 9-710)
- 9-711. Renewal of license or permit. (1) Every license issued pursuant to this chapter will terminate at the expiration of one (1) year from the date of issuance, unless sooner revoked, and must be renewed before the operation is allowed in the following year. Any operator desiring to renew a license shall make application to the town recorder. The application for renewal must be filed not later than sixty (60) days before the license expires. The application for renewal shall be filed in triplicate with and dated by the town recorder. A copy of the application for renewal shall be distributed promptly by the town recorder to the Englewood Police Department and to the operator. The application for renewal shall be upon a form provided by the town recorder and shall contain such information and date, given under oath or affirmation, as may be required by the board of commissioners.
- (2) A license renewal fee of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) shall be submitted with the application for renewal. In addition to the renewal fee, a late penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be assessed against the applicant who files for a renewal less than (60) days before the license expires. If the applicant is denied, one-half (½) of the total fees collected shall be returned.
- (3) If the Englewood Police Department is aware of any information bearing on the operator's qualifications, the information shall be filed in writing with the town recorder.
- (4) Every permit issued pursuant to this chapter will terminate at the expiration of one (1) year from the date of issuance unless sooner revoked, and must be renewed before an employee is allowed to continue employment in an adult-oriented establishment in the following calendar year. Any employee desiring to renew a permit shall make application to the town recorder. The application for renewal shall be filed in triplicate with and dated by the town

recorder. A copy of the application for renewal shall be distributed promptly by the town recorder to the Englewood Police Department and to the employee. The application for renewal shall be upon a form provided by the town recorder and shall contain such information and data, given under oath or affirmation, as may be required by the town recorder.

- (5) A permit renewal fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be submitted with the application for renewal. In addition to said renewal fee, a late penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be assessed against the applicant who files for renewal less than sixty (60) days before the license expires. If the application is denied, one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the fee shall be returned.
- (6) If the Englewood Police Department is aware of any information bearing on the employee's qualification, that information shall be filed in writing with the town recorder. (1997 Code, § 9-711)
- **9-712.** Revocation of license or permit. (1) The town recorder shall revoke a license or permit for any of the following reasons:
 - (a) Discovery that false or misleading information or data was given on any application or material facts were omitted form any application.
 - (b) The operator, entertainer, or any employee of the operator, violates any provisions of this chapter or any rule or regulation adopted by the board of commissioners pursuant to this chapter, provided, however, that in the case of a first offense by an operator where the conduct was solely that of an employee, the penalty shall not exceed a suspension of thirty (30) days if the board of commissioner shall find that the operator had no actual or constructive knowledge of such violation and could not by the exercise due diligence have had such actual or constructive knowledge.
 - (c) The operator or employee becomes ineligible to obtain a license or permit.
 - (d) Any cost or fee required to be paid by this chapter is not paid.
 - (e) An operator employs an employee who does not have a permit or provide space on the premises, whether by lease or otherwise, to an independent contract who performs or works as an entertainer without a permit.
 - (f) Any intoxicating liquor, cereal malt beverage, narcotic or controlled substance is allowed to be sold or consumed on the licensed premises.
 - (g) Any operator, employee, or entertainer sells, furnishes, gives, or displays, or causes to be sold, furnished, given or displayed to any minor any adult-oriented entertainment or adult-oriented material.
 - (h) Any operator, employee or entertainer denies access of law enforcement personnel to any portion of the licensed premises wherein

adult-oriented entertainment is permitted or to any portion of the licensed premises wherein adult-oriented materials are displayed or sold.

- (i) Any operator allows continuing violations of the rules and regulations of the McMinn County Health Department.
- (j) Any operator fails to maintain the licensed premises in a clean, sanitary, and safe condition.
- (2) The town recorder, before revoking or suspending any license or permit, shall give the operator or employee at least ten (10) days written notice of the charges against him or her and the opportunity for a public hearing before the board of commissioners, at which time the operator or employee may present evidence bearing upon the question. In such cases, the charges shall be specific and in writing. Whenever a license or permit is revoked by the town recorder, the party holding the license or permit may within ten days of the notice of revocation request a hearing before the board of commissioners, at which time the party holding the license or permit may present evidence bearing upon the question. This hearing shall be held by the board of commissioners at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board of commissioners that occurs more than five (5) days after the request for a hearing is filed. If the board of commissioners sustains the revocation, the party holding the license or permit may within ten (10) days thereafter institute suit in state court.
- (3) The transfer of a license or any interest in a license shall automatically and immediately revoke the license. The transfer of any interest in a non-individual operator's license shall automatically and immediately revoke the license held by the operator.
- (4) Any operator or employee whose license or permit is revoked shall not be eligible to receive a license or permit for five (5) years form the date of revocation. No location or premises for which a license has been issued shall be used as an adult-oriented establishment for two (2) years from the date of revocation of the license. (1997 Code, § 9-712)
- **9-713.** Hours of operation. (1) No adult-oriented establishment shall be open between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. on weekdays or between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 12:00 midnight on Sundays.
- (2) All adult-oriented establishments shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times by the Englewood Police Department or such other persons as the board of commissioners may designate. (1997 Code, § 9-713)
- 9-714. Responsibilities of the operator. (1) The operator shall maintain a register of all employees, showing the name and aliases used by the employee, home address, age, birth date, sex, height, weight, color of hair and eyes, phone numbers, social security number, date of employment and termination, and duties of each employee and such other information as may be required by the board of commissioners. The above information of each

employee shall be maintained in the register on the premises for a period of three (3) years following termination.

- (2) The operator shall make the register of employee available immediately for inspection by police upon demand of a member of the Englewood Police Department at all reasonable times.
- (3) Every act or omission by an employee constituting a violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed the act or omission of the operator if such act or omission occurs either with the authorization, knowledge, or approval of the operator, or as a result of the operator's negligent failure to supervise the employee's conduct, and the operator, shall be punishable for such act or omission in the same manner as if the operator committed the act or caused the omission.
- (4) An operator shall be responsible for the conduct of all employees while on the licensed premises and any act or omission of any employee constituting a violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed the act or omission of the operator for purposes of determining whether the operator's license shall be revoked, suspended, or renewed.
- (5) There shall be posted and conspicuously displayed in the common areas of each adult-oriented establishment a list of any and all entertainment provided on the premises. Such list shall further indicate the specific fee or charge in dollar amounts for each entertainment listed. Viewing adult-oriented pictures shall be considered as entertainment. The operator shall make the list available immediately upon demand of the Englewood Police Department at all reasonable times.
- (6) No employee of an adult-oriented establishment shall allow any minor to loiter around or to frequent an adult-oriented establishment or to allow any minor to view adult entertainment as defined herein.
- (7) Every adult-oriented establishment shall be physically arranged in such a manner that the entire interior portion of the booths, cubicles, rooms, or stalls, wherein adult entertainment is provided, shall be visible from the common area of the premises. Visibility shall not be blocked or obscured by doors, curtains, partitions, drapes, or any other obstruction whatsoever. It shall be unlawful to install booths, cubicles, rooms, or stalls within adult-oriented establishments for whatever purpose, but especially for the purpose of secluded viewing of adult-oriented motion pictures or other types of adult entertainment.
- (8) The operator shall be responsible for and shall provide that any room or area used for the purpose of viewing adult-oriented motion pictures or other types of live adult-oriented entertainment shall be readily accessible at all times and shall be continuously opened to view in its entirety.
- (9) No operator, entertainer, or employee of an adult-oriented establishment shall demand or collect all or any portion of a fee for entertainment before its completion.
- (10) A sign shall be conspicuously displayed in the common area of the premises and shall read as follows:

This Adult-Oriented Establishment is regulated by Englewood Municipal Code, Title 9, Chapter 7, §§ 9-701 through 9-717. Entertainers are:

- (a) Not permitted to engage in any type of sexual conduct;
- (b) Not permitted to expose their sex organs;
- (c) Not permitted to demand or collect all or any portion of a fee for entertainment before its completion. (1997 Code, § 9-714)
- 9-715. <u>Prohibitions and unlawful sexual acts</u>. (1) No operator, entertainer, or employee of an adult-oriented establishment shall permit it to be performed, offer to perform, perform or allow customers, employees or entertainers to perform sexual intercourse of oral or anal copulation or other contact stimulation of the genitals.
- (2) No operator entertainer or employer shall encourage or permit any person upon the premises to touch, caress, or fondle the breasts, buttocks, anus, or genitals of any other person.
- (3) No operator entertainer, employee, or customer shall be unclothed or in such attire, costume, or clothing so as to expose to view any portion of the sex organs, breasts, or buttocks of said operator, entertainer, or employee with the intent to arouse or gratify the sexual desires of the operator, entertainer, employee, or customer.
- (4) No entertainer, employee, or customer shall be permitted to have any physical contact with any other on the premises during any performance and all performances shall only occur upon a stage at least eighteen inches (18") above the immediate floor level and removed at least six feet (6') from the nearest entertainer, employee, and/or customer. (1997 Code, § 9-715)
- **9-716.** Penalties and prosecution. (1) Any person, partnership, or corporation who is found to have violated this chapter shall be fined a definite sum not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and shall result in the suspension of revocation of any permit or license.
- (2) Each violation of this chapter shall be considered a separate offense, and any violation continuing more than one (1) hour of time shall be considered a separate offense for each hour of violation. (1997 Code, § 9-716)
- **9-717.** <u>Severability clause</u>. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this chapter is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the chapter. (1997 Code, § 9-717)

TITLE 10

ANIMAL CONTROL

CHAPTER

- 1. IN GENERAL.
- 2. DOGS/CATS.
- 3. HORSES.

CHAPTER 1

IN GENERAL

- 10-101. Running at large prohibited.
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- 10-107. Records of the animal control officer.
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- 10-109. Impoundments of animals by warrant.
- 10-110. Concealing an animal in violation of this chapter a misdemeanor.
- 10-111. Inspections and orders by the animal control officer.
- 10-112. Certain animals to be kept confined.
- 10-113. Civil liability of owners for injury caused by animals.
- 10-114. Protection of animals.
- 10-115. Keeping of wild animals.
- 10-116. Animal waste.
- 10-117. Fee schedule.
- **10-101.** Running at large prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person, owner or being in charge of any dog, cat, swine, sheep, horses, mules, goats, chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys, or other domestic fowl, cattle or livestock to knowingly or negligently permit any of them to run at large in any street, alley or unenclosed lot within the corporate limits. An animal shall be deemed to be running at large unless confined to the owner's premises or accompanied by a person in control of such animal either by leash or voice commands, which such animal will obey. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- 10-102. <u>Keeping near a residence or business restricted</u>. No person shall keep any animal or fowl enumerated in the preceding section, excluding dogs and cats, on any lot or parcel of ground on which a residence or business

is located unless said lot or parcel of ground shall contain two (2) acres or more, or within three hundred (300) feet of any residence, place of business or public street, nor within a pen or other enclosure which provides less than nine hundred (900) square feet of space for each animal or fowl without a permit from the animal control officer. The animal control officer shall issue a permit only when in his sound judgment the keeping of such an animal in a yard or building under the circumstances as set forth in the application for the permit will not injuriously affect the public health. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

- **10-103.** Pen or enclosure to be kept clean. When animals or fowls are kept within cooperated limits, the building, structure, corral, pen or enclosure in which they are kept shall at all times be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. Excrement should be removed regularly from the living space of a penned or chained animal adequate to the sanitation of quarters and the health of the animal. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- 10-104. Keeping in such manner as to become a nuisance prohibited. No owner shall fail to exercise proper care and control of his animals to prevent them from becoming a public nuisance because of noise, odor, danger of contagious disease, or other reason. The term "public nuisance animal" shall mean and include, but is not limited to, any animal that:
 - (1) Is repeatedly found at large;
 - (2) Damages the property of anyone other than its owner;
 - (3) Molests or intimidates pedestrians or passersby;
 - (4) Chases vehicles:
 - (5) Excessively makes disturbing noises:
- (6) Causes fouling of the air by odor and thereby creates unreasonable annoyance or discomfort to neighbors or others in close proximity to the premise where the animal is kept or harbored;
- (7) Causes unsanitary conditions in enclosures or surroundings where the animal is kept or harbored;
 - (8) Attacks other domestic animals. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- animal or fowl found running at large in violation of this chapter may be seized by the animal control officer or by any police officer and confined in an animal shelter provided by or designated by the town manager. If the owner is known, that individual shall be given notice in person, by telephone or by mail. If the owner is not known, the animal shall be kept confined at the shelter for a period not less than three (3) working days to allow the owner to reclaim the animal. In order to reclaim his animal, the owner must pay an impoundment fee plus a boarding fee, which is to be established by the town council and the animal shelter utilized. Any animal not reclaimed by its owner within three (3) working days after the date of seizure shall become the property of the local government

authority and shall be placed for adoption in a suitable home subject to shelter adoption procedure. The unclaimed animal may be disposed of after an additional five (5) working days by veterinarian supervised euthanasia. Disposal of an animal does not relieve the owner of liability for violations, nor shall the Town of Englewood, or any of its agents or employees, be in any way responsible for any animal disposed of as herein stated. The Town of Englewood, Tennessee and its officials shall not be responsible for any illness, disease or death occurring to any animal confined in the animal shelter. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

- **10-106.** <u>Care of impounded animals</u>. It shall be the duty of the animal control officer to take proper care at all times of all animals held in custody by the town, and he shall provide adequate food, drink and shelter until such time as that animal is reclaimed by its owner or the animal is placed in an animal shelter. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- **10-107.** Records of the animal control officer. It shall be the duty of the animal control officer to keep or cause to be kept, accurate and detailed records of all impoundments and dispositions of animals coming into the custody of the town.

It shall be the duty of the animal control officer to keep or cause to be kept, accurate and detailed records of all dog bite cases reported to him and his investigation of same. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

- **10-108.** <u>Interference with animal control officer</u>. Any person who interferes with, hinders, molests or intimidates the animal control officer in the performance of his duty imposed by this chapter or who seeks to release any animal in custody of the animal control officer except as hereinafter provided shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- **10-109.** <u>Impoundment of animals by warrant</u>. It shall be the duty of the animal control officer to assist any police officer in serving a warrant on an owner of an animal in violation of this chapter. The animal control officer shall seize and retain the animal at the animal shelter provided by the City of Athens until such time as the court or city manager determines the disposition of such animals. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- 10-110. Concealing an animal in violation of this chapter a misdemeanor. Any person who shall hide, conceal or aid or assist in hiding or concealing any animal owned, kept or harbored in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

10-111. <u>Inspections and orders by the animal control officer</u>. When it becomes necessary to see that the provisions chapter are observed, the animal control officer shall have the power and it shall be his duty to enter any premises at any reasonable hour of the day for the purpose of making inspections.

When violations are discovered, he shall issue such orders, as he reasonably deems necessary to correct the unlawful condition within a reasonable time. It shall be unlawful for any person to fail to comply with such order. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

10-112. Certain animals to be kept confined. The owner shall confine within a building or secure enclosure, any fierce, dangerous, or vicious animal, and not take such animal out of the building or secure enclosure unless such animal is securely muzzled.

The owner shall also post in a conspicuous place at each entrance to such building or enclosure, a clearly legible and visible sign warning all persons preparing to enter said building or enclosure of the dangerous or vicious animal confined therein. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

- 10-113. Civil liability of owners for injury caused by animals. Any person who owns, keeps, or harbors any animal which, while upon the premises of another, or upon public property, causes damage or injury to any person, domestic animal or property, shall be held liable for damages to such person, domestic animal, or property. The lack of knowledge of the vicious or destructive nature of such animal, shall have no bearing upon the question of liability of the person owning, keeping or harboring such animal. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- 10-114. <u>Protection of animals</u>. All animals within the town are hereby declared to be the personal property and subjects of larceny, and it shall be unlawful for any person except a police officer, animal control officer, or authorized agent of the town in the legal performance of his duty, deliberately or by any means, to kill, or injure, or detain any animal.

In case of accidental destruction or injury to an animal, the person causing such destruction or injury shall immediately report the same to the owner or to the appropriate town official, giving his name and address.

It shall be unlawful for any person to place any poison of any description in any place, on his premises or elsewhere, where it may be easily found or taken by any animal.

Any person who, as the operator of a motor vehicle, strikes a domestic animal shall stop at once and render such assistance as may be possible and shall immediately report such injury or death to the animal's owner. In the event the owner cannot be ascertained and located, such operator shall at once

report the accident to the appropriate law enforcement agency. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

10-115. <u>Keeping of wild animals</u>. No person shall own, posses, or have custody on his premises, any wild or vicious animal for display, training or exhibition purposes, whether gratuitously or for a fee. This section shall not be construed to apply to AAZPA accredited facilities.

No person shall keep or permit to be kept any wild animal as a pet. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

- **10-116.** <u>Animal waste</u>. The owner of every animal shall be responsible for the removal of any excreta deposited by his animal(s) on public walks, recreation areas or private property. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- **10-117.** <u>Fee schedule</u>. The town council shall, annually, review and approve a fee schedule for the animal control program. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

DOGS/CATS

SECTION

- 10-201. Rabies vaccination required.
- 10-202. Impoundment of animals known to have bitten a person.
- 10-203. Noisy dogs prohibited.
- 10-204. Adoption of impounded animals permitted.
- 10-205. Female animals in heat to be confined.
- 10-206. All persons must report bite cases.
- 10-207. Limit of three (3) dogs per household without a permit.
- 10-208. Disposition of fees, fines, etc.

10-201. Rabies vaccination required. It shall be unlawful for any person to own, keep, or harbor any dog/cat more than three (3) months old which has not been vaccinated against rabies as set forth in Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 68-8-107 and 68-8-108, and as required in this section. Only a vaccine that meets the standards prescribed by the United States Department of Agriculture for interstate sale shall be used. It shall be the duty of every owner to have his dog or cat vaccinated against rabies after the dog reaches three (3) months of age, the cat six (6) months of age. Regardless of the type of licensed vaccine used or the age of the animal at the time of the first (primary) vaccination, the animal shall be revaccinated one (1) year later. Following the first two (2) vaccinations, booster vaccinations will be due either one or three (3) years later in accordance with the approved duration of immunity of the specific vaccine used and the species vaccinated. The veterinarian making the vaccination shall issue a vaccination tag, and shall sign and issue certification bearing the owner's name and address and number of the tag issued, date of vaccination, date the dog/cat should be revaccinated, description and sex of the dog/cat vaccinated, and the type and lot number of the vaccine administered. The certificate shall be prepared in triplicate, the original shall be given to the owner, first copy filed in the office of the local health department and the second copy retained by the person administering the vaccine. The certificate form shall be the same as prepared and distributed by the state department of public health.

It shall be unlawful for any owner to own, keep, harbor or to permit to remain on or about the premises of such owner any dog/cat that does not wear a tag evidencing that the dog/cat has been vaccinated. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

10-202. <u>Impoundment of animals known to have bitten a person</u>. Any animal known to have bitten a person or showing signs of rabies shall be apprehended and impounded for not less than ten (10) days. The animal shall

be impounded at an approved animal shelter or with a licensed veterinarian at the discretion of the animal control officer. All fees for such impoundment shall be the responsibility of the animal's owner. If, during the period of impoundment, the animal exhibits any behavioral signs associated with rabies, the animal shall be sacrificed immediately and the head removed and shipped to a State of Tennessee approved laboratory for testing for the presence of Negri bodies. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

- **10-203.** <u>Noisy dogs prohibited</u>. No person shall own, keep, or harbor any dog which, by loud and frequent barking, whining or howling, annoys the peace and quiet of any neighborhood. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- 10-204. Adoption of impounded animals permitted. Any domestic animal, which has been confined at the animal shelter and not claimed by its owner as provided in this chapter may be adopted in accordance with the guidelines of the animal shelter in which the animal is being housed. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- **10-205.** Female animals in heat to be confined. Every owner of a female animal, which has not been sterilized, is required to confine the animal for a period of twenty-one (21) days during the period in which she is in heat in such a way as to prohibit access to her by any other animal. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- **10-206.** <u>All persons must report bite cases</u>. It shall be the duty of all citizens, including doctors and veterinarians, to report to the animal control officer the names and address of persons treated for bites inflicted by animals, together with all information helpful in locating the animal, which inflicted said bite. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)
- 10-207. <u>Limit of three (3) dogs per household without a permit.</u> Any one household shall keep not more than three (3) dogs unless the owner has acquired a permit from the animal control officer. The animal control officer shall review each permit request to ensure compliance of all provisions of this chapter prior to issuance of the permit. Each permit shall be good for the period of one (1) calendar year at which time the owner of said animals shall be required to apply for a renewal of the permit. The animal control officer shall also review each requested renewal application to insure that all provisions of this chapter have been continually complied with during the previous year the permit has been in effect and that there have been no recurring problems or complaints against said owner. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

10-208. <u>Disposition of fees, fines, etc</u>. All funds collected under the provisions of this chapter, including license fees, redemption charges and fines shall be paid into the general fund of the town. (Ord. #02-12-07-79, Feb. 2007)

HORSES

- 10-301. Horses in public parks and facilities.
- 10-302. Riding horses on public streets after sunset.
- 10-303. Penalty for violations under this chapter.
- 10-301. <u>Horses in public parks and facilities</u>. It shall be unlawful within the corporate limits for any person to ride, lead, tether, or otherwise allow a horse in any public park, playground, school or other public facility which is not a public street. (1997 Code, § 10-301)
- **10-302.** <u>Riding horses on public streets after sunset</u>. It shall be unlawful within the corporate limits for any person to ride, lead, tether, or otherwise allow a horse to be on a public street or road after sunset. (1997 Code, § 10-302)
- **10-303.** Penalty for violations under this chapter. Any person found to violate the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The provisions of § 10-107 shall not apply to a violation of this chapter. (1997 Code, § 10-303)

TITLE 11

MUNICIPAL OFFENSES¹

CHAPTER

- 1. ALCOHOL.
- 2. FORTUNE TELLING, ETC.
- 3. OFFENSES AGAINST THE PEACE AND QUIET.
- 4. INTERFERENCE WITH PUBLIC OPERATIONS AND PERSONNEL.
- 5. FIREARMS, WEAPONS AND MISSILES.
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- 7. MISCELLANEOUS.
- 8. CURFEW FOR MINORS.
- 9. REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS ON OR ABOUT PUBLIC PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES.

CHAPTER 1

ALCOHOL²

SECTION

- 11-101. Drinking beer, etc., on streets, etc.
- 11-102. Minors in beer places.
- 11-101. <u>Drinking beer, etc., on streets, etc.</u> It shall be unlawful for any person to drink or consume, or have an open can or bottle of beer in or on any public street, alley, avenue, highway, sidewalk, public park, public school ground or other public place unless the place has a beer permit and license for on premises consumption. (1997 Code, § 11-101)
- 11-102. <u>Minors in beer places</u>. No minor under twenty-one (21) years of age shall loiter in or around, work in, or otherwise frequent any place where beer is sold at retail for consumption on the premises. (1997 Code, § 11-102)

Animals and fowls: title 10. Housing and utilities: title 12. Fireworks and explosives: title 7.

Traffic offenses: title 15.

Streets and sidewalks (non-traffic): title 16.

²Municipal code reference

Sale of alcoholic beverages, including beer: title 8.

¹Municipal code references

FORTUNE TELLING, ETC.

SECTION

11-201. Fortune telling, etc.

11-201. <u>Fortune telling, etc</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to hold himself forth to the public as a fortune teller, clairvoyant, hypnotist, spiritualist, palmist, phrenologist, or other mystic endowed with supernatural powers. (1997 Code, § 11-201)

OFFENSES AGAINST THE PEACE AND QUIET

- 11-301. Disturbing the peace.
- 11-302. Anti-noise regulations.
- 11-301. <u>Disturbing the peace</u>. No person shall disturb, tend to disturb, or aid in disturbing the peace of others by violent, tumultuous, offensive, or obstreperous conduct, and no person shall knowingly permit such conduct upon any premises owned or possessed by him or under his control. (1997 Code, § 11-401)
- 11-302. <u>Anti-noise regulations</u>. Subject to the provisions of this section, the creating of any unreasonably loud, disturbing, and unnecessary noise is prohibited. Noise of such character, intensity, or duration as to be detrimental to the life or health of any individual, or in disturbance of the public peace and welfare, is prohibited.
- (1) <u>Miscellaneous prohibited noises enumerated</u>. The following acts, among others, are declared to be loud, disturbing, and unnecessary noises in violation of this section, but this enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive, namely:
 - (a) <u>Blowing horns</u>. The sounding of any horn or signal device on any automobile, motorcycle, bus, streetcar, or other vehicle while not in motion except as a danger signal if another vehicle is approaching, apparently out of control, or if in motion, only as a danger signal after or as brakes are being applied and deceleration of the vehicle is intended; the creation by means of any such signal device of any unreasonably loud or harsh sound; and the sounding of such device for an unnecessary and unreasonable period of time.
 - (b) Radios, phonographs, etc. The playing of any radio, phonograph, or any musical instrument or sound device, including but not limited to loudspeakers or other devices for reproduction or amplification of sound, either independently of or in connection with motion pictures, radio, or television, in such a manner or with such volume, particularly during the hours between 11:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M., as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of persons in any office or hospital, or in any dwelling, hotel, or other type of residence, or of any person in the vicinity.
 - (c) <u>Yelling, shouting, hooting, etc.</u> Yelling, shouting, hooting, whistling, or singing on the public streets, particularly between the hours of 11:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M., or at any time or place so as to annoy or

disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of any persons in any hospital, dwelling, hotel, or other type of residence, or of any person in the vicinity.

- (d) <u>Pets</u>. The keeping of any animal, bird, or fowl which by causing frequent or long continued noise shall disturb the comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.
- (e) <u>Use of vehicle</u>. The use of any automobile, motorcycle, streetcar, or vehicle so out of repair, so loaded, or in such manner as to cause loud and unnecessary grating, grinding, rattling, or other noise.
- (f) <u>Blowing whistles</u>. The blowing of any steam whistle attached to any stationary boiler, except to give notice of the time to begin or stop work or as a warning of fire or danger, or upon request of proper municipal authorities.
- (g) <u>Exhaust discharge</u>. To discharge into the open air the exhaust of any steam engine, stationary internal combustion engine, motor vehicle, or boat engine, except through a muffler or other device which will effectively prevent loud or explosive noises therefrom.
- Building operations. The erection (including excavation), demolition, alteration, or repair of any building in any residential area or section or the construction or repair of streets and highways in any residential area or section, other than between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. on week days, except in case of urgent necessity in the interest of public health and safety, and then only with a permit from the building inspector granted for a period while the emergency continues not to exceed thirty (30) days. If the building inspector should determine that the public health and safety will not be impaired by the erection, demolition, alteration, or repair of any building or the excavation of streets and highways between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M., and if he shall further determine that loss or inconvenience would result to any party in interest through delay, he may grant permission for such work to be done between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M. upon application being made at the time the permit for the work is awarded or during the process of the work.
- (i) <u>Noises near schools, hospitals, churches, etc.</u> The creation of any excessive noise on any street adjacent to any hospital or adjacent to any school, institution of learning, church, or court while the same is in session.
- (j) <u>Loading and unloading operations</u>. The creation of any loud and excessive noise in connection with the loading or unloading of any vehicle or the opening and destruction of bales, boxes, crates, and other containers.
- (k) <u>Noises to attract attention</u>. The use of any drum, loudspeaker, or other instrument or device emitting noise for the purpose of attracting attention to any performance, show, or sale or display of merchandise.

- (l) <u>Loudspeakers or amplifiers on vehicles</u>. The use of mechanical loudspeakers or amplifiers on trucks or other moving or standing vehicles for advertising or other purposes.
- (2) <u>Exceptions</u>. None of the terms or prohibitions hereof shall apply to or be enforced against:
 - (a) <u>Municipal vehicles</u>. Any vehicle of the municipality while engaged upon necessary public business.
 - (b) <u>Repair of streets, etc.</u> Excavations or repairs of bridges, streets, or highways at night, by or on behalf of the municipality, the county, or the state, when the public welfare and convenience renders it impracticable to perform such work during the day.
 - (c) Noncommercial and nonprofit use of loudspeakers or amplifiers. The reasonable use of amplifiers or loudspeakers in the course of public addresses which are noncommercial in character and in the course of advertising functions sponsored by nonprofit organizations. However, no such use shall be made until a permit therefor is secured from the recorder. Hours for the use of an amplifier or public address system will be designated in the permit so issued and the use of such systems shall be restricted to the hours so designated in the permit. (1997 Code, § 11-402)

INTERFERENCE WITH PUBLIC OPERATIONS AND PERSONNEL

- 11-401. Impersonating a government officer or employee.
- 11-402. False emergency alarms.
- 11-401. <u>Impersonating a government officer or employee</u>. No person other than an official police officer of the municipality shall wear the uniform, apparel, or badge, or carry any identification card or other insignia of office like or similar to, or a colorable imitation of that adopted and worn or carried by the official police officers of the municipality. Furthermore, no person shall deceitfully impersonate or represent that he is any government officer or employee. (1997 Code, § 11-502)
- **11-402.** <u>False emergency alarms</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally make, turn in, or give a false alarm of fire, or of need for police or ambulance assistance, or to aid or abet in the commission of such act. (1997 Code, § 11-503)

FIREARMS, WEAPONS AND MISSILES

- 11-501. Air rifles, etc.
- 11-502. Weapons and firearms generally.
- 11-501. Air rifles, etc. It shall be unlawful for any person in the municipality to discharge any air gun, air pistol, air rifle, "BB" gun, or sling shot capable of discharging a metal bullet or pellet, whether propelled by spring, compressed air, expanding gas, explosive, or other force-producing means or method. (1997 Code, § 11-601)
- 11-502. Weapons and firearms generally. It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to discharge a firearm within the municipality. (1997 Code, § 11-603, modified)

TRESPASSING, MALICIOUS MISCHIEF AND INTERFERENCE WITH TRAFFIC

- 11-601. Trespassing.
- 11-602. Trespassing on trains.
- 11-603. Interference with traffic.
 - **11-601.** <u>Trespassing</u>. (1) <u>On premises open to the public</u>. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to defy a local order, personally communicated to him by the owner or other authorized person, not to enter or remain upon the premises of another, including premises which are at the time open to the public;
 - (b) The owner of the premises, or his authorized agent, may lawfully order another not to enter or remain upon the premises if such person is committing or commits, any act which interferes with, or tends to interfere with, the normal, orderly, peaceful, or efficient conduct of the activities of such premises.
- (2) On premises closed or partially closed to the public. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly enter or remain upon the premises of another which is not open to the public, notwithstanding that another part of the premises is at the time open to the public.
- (3) <u>Vacant buildings</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to enter or remain upon the premises of a vacated building after notice against trespass is personally communicated to him by the owner or other authorized person or is posted in a conspicuous manner.
- (4) <u>Lots and buildings in general</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to enter or remain on or in any lot or parcel of land or any building or other structure after notice against trespass is personally communicated to him by the owner or other authorized person or is posted in a conspicuous manner.
- (5) <u>Peddlers, etc.</u> It shall be unlawful and deemed a trespass for any peddler, canvasser, solicitor, transient merchant, or other person to fail to promptly leave the private premises of any person who requests or directs him to leave. (1997 Code, § 11-701)
- 11-602. <u>Trespassing on trains</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to climb, jump, step, stand upon, or cling to, or in any other way attach himself to any locomotive engine or railroad car unless he works for the railroad corporation and is acting the scope of his employment or unless he is a lawful passenger or is otherwise lawfully entitled to be on such vehicle. (1997 Code, § 11-702)

11-603. <u>Interference with traffic</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to stand, sit, or engage in any activity whatever on any public street, sidewalk, bridge, or public ground in such a manner as to prevent, obstruct, or interfere unreasonably with the free passage of pedestrian or vehicular traffic thereon. (1997 Code, § 11-704)

MISCELLANEOUS

- 11-701. Caves, wells, cisterns, etc.
- 11-702. Posting notices, etc.
- 11-701. <u>Caves, wells, cisterns, etc.</u> It shall be unlawful for any person to permit to be maintained on property owned or occupied by him any cave, well, cistern, or other such opening in the ground which is dangerous to life and limb without an adequate cover or safeguard. (1997 Code, § 11-802)
- 11-702. <u>Posting notices, etc.</u> No person shall fasten, in any way, any show-card, poster, or other advertising device upon any public or private property unless legally authorized to do so. (1997 Code, § 11-803)

CURFEW FOR MINORS

SECTION

- 11-801. Purpose.
- 11-802. Definitions.
- 11-803. Curfew enacted; exceptions.
- 11-804. Parental involvement in violation unlawful.
- 11-805. Involvement by owner or operator of vehicle unlawful.
- 11-806. Involvement by operator or employee of establishment unlawful.
- 11-807. Giving false information unlawful.
- 11-808. Enforcement.
- 11-809. Violations punishable by fine.

11-801. Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to

- (1) Promote the general welfare and protect the general public through the reduction of juvenile violence and crime within the town;
- (2) Promote the safety and well-being of minors, whose inexperience renders them particularly vulnerable to becoming participants in unlawful activity, particularly unlawful drug activity, and to being victimized by older criminals; and
 - (3) Foster and strengthen parental responsibility for children.
- **11-802. Definitions**. As used in this chapter, the following words have the following meanings:
- (1) "Curfew hours" means the hours of 12:30 a.m. through 6:00 a.m. each day.
- (2) "Emergency" means unforeseen circumstances, and the resulting condition or status, requiring immediate action to safeguard life, limb, or property. The word includes, but is not limited to, fires, natural disasters, automobile accidents, or other similar circumstances.
- (3) "Establishment" means any privately-owned business place within the town operated for a profit and to which the public is invited, including, but not limited to, any place of amusement or entertainment. The word "operator" with respect to an establishment means any person, firm, association, partnership (including its members or partners), and any corporation (including its officers) conducting or managing the establishment.
- (4) "Minor" means any person under eighteen (18) years of age who has not been emancipated under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 29-31-101, et seq.
 - (5) "Parent" means:
 - (a) A person who is a minor's biological or adoptive parent and who has legal custody of the minor, including either parent if custody is shared under a court order or agreement;

- (b) A person who is the biological or adoptive parent with whom a minor regularly resides;
- (c) A person judicially appointed as the legal guardian of a minor; and/or
- (d) A person eighteen (18) years of age or older standing in loco parentis (as indicated by authorization by a parent as defined in this definition for the person to assume the care or physical custody of the minor, or as indicated by any other circumstances).
- (6) "Person" means an individual and not a legal entity.
- (7) "Public place" means any place to which the public or a substantial portion of the public has access, including, but not limited to: streets, sidewalks, alleys, parks, and the common areas of schools, hospitals, apartment houses or buildings, office buildings, transportation facilities, and shops.
 - (8) "Remain" means
 - (a) to linger or stay at or upon a place or
 - (b) to fail to leave a place when requested to do so by a law enforcement officer or by the owner, operator, or other person in control of that place.
- (9) "Temporary care facility" means a non-locked, non-restrictive shelter at which a minor may wait, under visual supervision, to be retrieved by a parent. A minor waiting in a temporary care facility may not be handcuffed or secured by handcuffs or otherwise to any stationary object.
- 11-803. <u>Curfew enacted; exceptions</u>. It is unlawful for any minor, during curfew hours, to remain in or upon any public place within the town, to remain in any motor vehicle operating or parked on any public place within the town, or to remain in or upon the premises of any establishment within the town, unless:
 - (1) The minor is accompanied by a parent; or
 - (2) The minor is involved in an emergency; or
- (3) The minor is engaged in an employment activity, or is going to or returning home from employment activity, without detour or stop; or
- (4) The minor is on the sidewalk directly abutting a place where he or she resides with a parent; or
- (5) The minor is attending an activity supervised by adults and sponsored by a school, religious, or civic organization, by a public organization or agency, or by a similar organization, or the minor is going to or returning from such an activity without detour or stop; or
- (6) The minor is on a errand at the direction of a parent, and the minor has in his or her possession a writing signed by the parent containing the name, signature, address, and telephone number of the parent authorizing the errand, the telephone number where the parent may be reached during the errand, the name of the minor, and a brief description of the errand, the minor's

- destination(s) and the hours the minor is authorized to be engaged in the errand; or
- (7) The minor is involved in interstate travel through, or beginning or terminating in, the Town of Englewood; or
- (8) The minor is exercising First Amendment rights protected by the U.S. Constitution, such as the free exercise of religion, freedom of speech, and freedom of assembly.
- **11-804.** Parental involvement in violation unlawful. It is unlawful for a minor's parent knowingly to permit, allow, or encourage a violation of § 11-803 of this chapter.
- 11-805. <u>Involvement by owner or operator of vehicle unlawful</u>. It is unlawful for a person who is the owner or operator of a motor vehicle knowingly to permit, allow, or encourage a violation of § 11-803 of this chapter using the motor vehicle.
- 11-806. <u>Involvement by operator or employee of establishment unlawful</u>. It is unlawful for the operator or any employee of an establishment knowingly to permit, allow, or encourage a minor to remain on the premises of the establishment during curfew hours. It is a defense to prosecution under this section that the operator or employee promptly notified law enforcement officials that a minor was present during curfew hours and refused to leave.
- 11-807. Giving false information unlawful. It is unlawful for any person, including a minor, knowingly to give a false name, address, or telephone number to any law enforcement officer investigating a possible violation of § 11-803 of this chapter. Each violation of this section is punishable by a maximum fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- 11-808. Enforcement. (1) Minors. Before taking any enforcement action, a law enforcement officer who is notified of a possible violation of § 11-803 shall make an immediate investigation to determine whether or not the presence of the minor in a public place, motor vehicle, or establishment during curfew hours is a violation of that section. If the investigation reveals a violation and the minor has not previously been issued a warning, the officer shall issue a verbal warning to the minor to be followed by a written warning mailed by the police department to the minor and his/her parent(s). If the minor has previously been issued a warning for a violation, the officer shall charge the minor with a violation of § 11-803 and shall issue a citation requiring the minor to appear in court. In either case, the officer shall, as soon as practicable, release the minor to his/her parent(s) or place the minor in a temporary care facility for a period not to exceed the remainder of the curfew hours so the parent(s) may retrieve the minor. If a minor refuses to give an officer his/her name and address

or the name and address of his/her parent(s), or if no parent can be located before the end of the applicable curfew hours, or if located, no parent appears to accept custody of the minor, the minor may be taken to a crisis center or juvenile shelter and/or may be taken to a judge or juvenile intake officer of the juvenile court to be dealt with as required by law.

- (2) Others. If an officer's investigation reveals that a person has violated §§ 11-803, § 11-804, § 11-805, or § 11-806 of this chapter and the person has not been issued a warning with respect to a violation, the officer shall issue a verbal warning to the person to be followed by a written warning mailed by the police department to the person. If there has been a previous warning to the person, the officer shall charge the person with a violation and issue a citation directing the person to appear in court.
- 11-809. <u>Violations punishable by fine</u>. A violation of § 11-803, § 11-804, § 11-805, or § 11-806 subsequent to receiving a verbal warning as provided in § 11-808 is punishable by a maximum fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each violation.

REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS ON OR ABOUT PUBLIC PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

- 11-901. Definitions.
- 11-902. Registered sex offenders prohibited from any public park.
- 11-903. Penalty.
- 11-904. Town manager to post regulation at park entrances.
- 11-901. <u>Definitions</u>. (1) "Registered sex offender." An individual who is registered by any state or federal agency as a sex offender and whose name is published on any state or federal registered sex offender listing, including, but not limited to the sex offender registry established by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 40-39-201 through 40-39-211.
- (2) "Public park." Any publicly owned or maintained land or building which is designated by the Town of Englewood, Tennessee as a park or recreational facility. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-53, Aug. 2010)
- 11-902. Registered sex offenders prohibited from any public park. It shall constitute a general offense against the regulations of the Town of Englewood for any person or persons registered as a sex offender with the State of Tennessee and/or any other state or federal agency to knowingly enter into or on any public park owned, operated, or maintained by the Town of Englewood. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-53, Aug. 2010)
- 11-903. <u>Penalty</u>. Anyone who is found in violation of this chapter shall be subject to a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) per offense. Each and every entry into the park, regardless of the time period involved, shall constitute a separate offense under this chapter. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-53, Aug. 2010)
- 11-904. Town manager to post regulation at park entrances. The town manager shall be charged with posting this regulation at the main entrance of each park within thirty (30) days of the passage of the ordinance comprising this chapter. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-53, Aug. 2010)

TITLE 12

BUILDING, UTILITY, ETC. CODES

CHAPTER

- 1. BUILDING CODE.
- 2. PLUMBING CODE.
- 3. ELECTRICAL CODE.
- 4. GAS CODE.
- 5. MODEL ENERGY CODE.
- 6. HOUSING CODE.
- 7. UNSAFE BUILDING ABATEMENT CODE.
- 8. MECHANICAL CODE.

CHAPTER 1

BUILDING CODE¹

SECTION

- 12-101. International building code adopted.
- 12-102. Modifications.
- 12-103. Available in recorder's office.
- 12-104. Violations and penalty.
- **12-101.** <u>International building code adopted</u>. Pursuant to authority granted by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506, and for the purpose of regulating the construction, alteration, repair, use, occupancy, location, maintenance, removal, and demolition of every building or structure or any appurtenance connected or attached to any building or structure, the <u>International Building Code</u>, ² 2006 edition, as prepared and adopted by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the building code.
- **12-102.** <u>Modifications</u>. (1) <u>Definitions</u>. Whenever in the international building code when reference is made to the duties of a certain official named

Fire protection, fireworks, and explosives: title 7.

Planning and zoning: title 14.

Streets and other public ways and places: title 16.

Utilities and services: titles 18 and 19.

¹Municipal code references

²Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

- therein, that designated official of the Town of Englewood who has duties corresponding to those of the named official in said code shall be deemed to be the responsible official insofar as enforcing the provisions of the international building code are concerned.
- (2) <u>Permit fees</u>. The schedule of permit fees shall be set by ordinance by the board of commissioners
- 12-103. <u>Available in recorder's office</u>. Pursuant to the requirements of the <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the building code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. Administrative regulations adopting amendments to the international building code will be placed on file when they are published by the building inspector, and at least fifteen (15) days before their effective date.
- 12-104. <u>Violations and penalty</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the building code as herein adopted by reference and modified. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense.

PLUMBING CODE¹

SECTION

- 12-201. Plumbing code adopted.
- 12-202. Modifications.
- 12-203. Available in recorder's office.
- 12-204. Violations and penalty.
- **12-201.** Plumbing code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506 and for the purpose of regulating plumbing installations, including alterations, repairs, equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings, and the appurtenances thereto, within or without the town, when such plumbing is or is to be connected with the town water or sewerage system, the International Plumbing Code, 2006 edition, as prepared and adopted by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the plumbing code.
- **12-202.** <u>Modifications</u>. (1) <u>Definitions</u>. Wherever the international plumbing code refers to the "chief appointing authority," the "administrative authority," or the "governing authority," it shall be deemed to be a reference to the board of commissioners.

Wherever "town engineer," "engineering department," "plumbing official," or "inspector" is named or referred to, it shall mean the person appointed or designated by the board of commissioners to administer and enforce the provisions of the international plumbing code.

- (2) <u>Permit fees</u>. The schedule of permit fees as recommended in "Appendix H" of the plumbing code is hereby adopted.
- **12-203.** Available in recorder's office. Pursuant to the requirements of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the plumbing code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.

¹Municipal code references

Cross connections: title 18. Street excavations: title 16. Wastewater treatment: title 18.

Water and sewer system administration: title 18.

²Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

12-204. <u>Violations and penalty</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the plumbing code as herein adopted by reference and modified. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense.

ELECTRICAL CODE¹

SECTION

- 12-301. Electrical code adopted.
- 12-302. Available in recorder's office.
- 12-303. Permit required for doing electrical work.
- 12-304. Violations.
- 12-305. Enforcement.
- 12-306. Fees.

12-301. <u>Electrical code adopted</u>. Pursuant to authority granted by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506 and for the purpose of providing practical minimum standards for the safeguarding of persons and of buildings and their contents from hazards arising from the use of electricity for light, heat, power, radio, signaling, or for other purposes, the <u>National Electrical Code</u>,² 2008 edition, as prepared by the National Fire Protection Association, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the electrical code. (1997 Code, § 12-301, modified)

- **12-302.** Available in recorder's office. Pursuant to the requirements of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the electrical code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (1997 Code, § 12-302)
- 12-303. Permit required for doing electrical work. No electrical work shall be done within this municipality until a permit therefor has been issued by the municipality. The term "electrical work" shall not be deemed to include minor repairs that do not involve the installation of new wire, conduits, machinery, apparatus, or other electrical devices generally requiring the services of an electrician. (1997 Code, § 12-303)
- **12-304.** <u>Violations</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to do or authorize any electrical work or to use any electricity in such manner or under

Fire protection, fireworks and explosives: title 7.

¹Municipal code references

²Copies of this code may be purchased from the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-9101.

such circumstances as not to comply with this chapter and/or the requirements and standards prescribed by the electrical code. (1997 Code, § 12-304)

- 12-305. Enforcement. The electrical inspector shall be such person as the board of commissioners shall appoint or designate. It shall be his duty to enforce compliance with this chapter and the electrical code as herein adopted by reference. He is authorized and directed to make such inspections of electrical equipment and wiring, etc., as are necessary to insure compliance with the applicable regulations, and may enter any premises or building at any reasonable time for the purpose of discharging his duties. He is authorized to refuse or discontinue electrical service to any person or place not complying with this chapter and/or the electrical code. (1997 Code, § 12-305)
- 12-306. <u>Fees</u>. There shall be charged a fee of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for each permit to do electrical work. This fee shall include the costs of one inspection by the electrical inspector. Should additional inspections be necessary, there shall be an added charge of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for each such inspection. (1997 Code, § 12-306)

GAS CODE¹

SECTION

- 12-401. International fuel gas code adopted.
- 12-402. Modifications.
- 12-403. Available in recorder's office.
- 12-404. Violations and penalty.
- **12-401.** <u>International fuel gas code adopted</u>. Pursuant to authority granted by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506, and for the purpose of establishing regulations for fuel gas systems and gas-fired appliances using prescriptive and performance-related provisions, the <u>International Fuel Gas Code</u>, 2003 edition, as prepared and adopted by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the fuel gas code.
- 12-402. <u>Modifications</u>. (1) <u>Definitions</u>. Whenever in the fuel gas code when reference is made to the duties of a certain official named therein, that designated official of the Town of Englewood who has duties corresponding to those of the named official in said code shall be deemed to be the responsible official insofar as enforcing the provisions of the fuel gas code are concerned.
- (2) <u>Permit fees</u>. The schedule of permit fees shall be as set by ordinance of the board of commissioners.
- **12-403.** <u>Available in recorder's office</u>. Pursuant to the requirements of the <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the fuel gas code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.
- **12-404.** <u>Violations and penalty</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the fuel gas code as herein adopted by reference and modified. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense.

Gas system administration: title 19, chapter 2.

¹Municipal code reference

²Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

MODEL ENERGY CODE¹

SECTION

- 12-501. Model energy code adopted.
- 12-502. Modifications.
- 12-503. Available in recorder's office.
- 12-504. Violation and penalty.

12-501. <u>Model energy code adopted</u>. Pursuant to authority granted by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506, and for the purpose of regulating the design of buildings for adequate thermal resistance and low air leakage and the design and selection of mechanical, electrical, water-heating and illumination systems and equipment which will enable the effective use of energy in new building construction, the <u>Model Energy Code</u>² 1992 edition, as prepared and maintained by The Council of American Building Officials, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the energy code. (1997 Code, § 12-501)

12-502. <u>Modifications</u>. Whenever the energy code refers to the "responsible government agency," it shall be deemed to be a reference to the Town of Englewood. When the "building official" is named it shall, for the purposes of the energy code, mean such person as the board of commissioners shall have appointed or designated to administer and enforce the provisions of the energy code. (1997 Code, § 12-502)

¹State law reference

<u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 13-19-106 requires Tennessee cities <u>either</u> to adopt the Model Energy Code, 1992 edition, the 2000 International Energy Conservation Code with 2002 amendments, or to adopt local standards equal to or stricter than the standards in the energy code.

Municipal code references

Fire protection, fireworks, and explosives: title 7.

Planning and zoning: title 14.

Streets and other public ways and places: title 16.

Utilities and services: titles 18 and 19.

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- **12-503.** Available in recorder's office. Pursuant to the requirements of the Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the energy code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (1997 Code, § 12-503)
- 12-504. <u>Violation and penalty</u>. It shall be a civil offense for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the energy code as herein adopted by reference and modified. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense. (1997 Code, § 12-504)

RESIDENTIAL CODE

- 12-101. International residential code adopted.
- 12-102. Available in recorder's office.
- 12-103. Violations and penalty.
- **12-101.** <u>International residential code adopted</u>. Pursuant to authority granted by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506, and for the purpose of providing building, plumbing, mechanical and electrical provisions, the <u>International Residential Code</u>, ¹ 2006 edition, as prepared and adopted by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the residential code.
- **12-102.** <u>Available in recorder's office</u>. Pursuant to the requirements of the <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the residential code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.
- 12-103. <u>Violations and penalty</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the residential code as herein adopted by reference and modified. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense.

¹Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from The International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

UNSAFE BUILDING ABATEMENT CODE

- 12-701. Unsafe building abatement code adopted.
- 12-702. Modifications.
- 12-703. Available in recorder's office.
- 12-704. Violations.
- 12-701. <u>Unsafe building abatement code adopted</u>. Pursuant to authority granted by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506 and for the purpose of regulating buildings and structures to insure structural strength, stability, sanitation, adequate light and ventilation, and safety to life and property from fire and other hazards incident to the construction, alteration, repair, removal, demolition, use and occupancy of buildings, structures or premises, within or without the city, the <u>Standard Unsafe Building Abatement Code</u>¹, 1985 edition as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the unsafe building abatement code. (1997 Code, § 12-701)
- 12-702. <u>Modifications</u>. <u>Definitions</u>. Whenever the unsafe building abatement code refers to the "chief appointing authority," or the "chief administrator" it shall be deemed to be a reference to the board of commissioners. When the "building official" is named it shall, for the purposes of the unsafe building abatement code, mean such person as the board of commissioners has appointed or designated to administer and enforce the provisions of the unsafe building abatement code. (1997 Code, § 12-702)
- 12-703. <u>Available in recorder's office</u>. Pursuant to the requirements of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the unsafe building abatement code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (1997 Code, § 12-703)
- **12-704.** <u>Violations</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the unsafe building abatement code as herein adopted by reference and modified. (1997 Code, § 12-704)

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MECHANICAL CODE

- 12-801. International mechanical code adopted.
- 12-802. Available in recorder's office.
- 12-803. Violations.
- 12-801. <u>International mechanical code adopted</u>. Pursuant to authority granted by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506, and for the purpose of establishing minimum regulations for mechanical systems using prescriptive and performance-related provisions, the <u>International Mechanical Code</u>, 2006 edition, as prepared and adopted by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the mechanical code.
- **12-802.** Available in recorder's office. Pursuant to the requirements of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the mechanical code has been placed on file in the town recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.
- **12-803.** <u>Violations</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the mechanical code as herein adopted by reference and modified.

¹Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased form the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35123.

TITLE 13

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REGULATIONS¹

CHAPTER

- 1. MISCELLANEOUS.
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CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

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- 13-102. <u>Smoke, soot, cinders, etc</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit or cause the escape of such quantities of dense smoke, soot, cinders, noxious acids, fumes, or gases as to be detrimental to or to endanger the health, comfort, and safety of the public or so as to cause or have a tendency to cause injury or damage to property or business. (1997 Code, § 13-102)
- **13-103.** <u>Stagnant water</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to allow any pool of stagnant water to accumulate and stand on his property. (1997 Code, § 13-103)

¹Municipal code references Animal control: title 10.

Littering streets, etc.: § 16-107.

- 13-104. Weeds and grass. Every owner or tenant of property shall periodically cut the grass and other vegetation commonly recognized as weeds on his property, and it shall be unlawful for any person to fail to comply with an order by the police chief or town manager to cut such vegetation when it has reached a height of over one (1) foot. (Ord. #04-10-06-74, May 2006)
- 13-105. <u>Dead animals</u>. Any person owning or having possession of any dead animal not intended for use as food shall promptly bury the same or notify the health officer and dispose of such animal in such manner as the health officer shall direct. (1997 Code, § 13-105)
- 13-106. <u>Health and sanitation nuisances</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any premises owned, occupied, or controlled by him to become or remain in a filthy condition, or permit the use or occupation of same in such a manner as to create noxious or offensive smells and odors in connection therewith, or to allow the accumulation or creation of unwholesome and offensive matter or the breeding of flies, rodents, or other vermin on the premises to the menace of the public health or the annoyance of people residing within the vicinity. (1997 Code, § 13-106)
- **13-107. Burning**. It shall be unlawful within the corporate limits for any person, persons, firm or corporation to:
- (1) Burn synthetic fabrics, plastics, upholstery materials, or any other material which gives off harmful or noxious fumes.
- (2) Burn leaves, clippings, brush or any other material in the ditches and drainage structures serving the public streets and roads. (1997 Code, § 13-107)
- 13-108. Overgrown and dirty lots. (1) Prohibition. Pursuant to the authority granted to municipalities under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-113, it shall be unlawful for any owner of record of real property to create, maintain, or permit to be maintained on such property the growth of trees, vines, grass, underbrush and/or the accumulations of debris, trash, litter, or garbage or any combination of the preceding elements so as to endanger the health, safety, or welfare of other citizens or to encourage the infestation of rats and other harmful animals.
- (2) <u>Designation of public officer or department</u>. The board of commissioners shall designate an appropriate department or person to enforce the provisions of this section.
- (3) Notice to property owner. It shall be the duty of the department or person designated by the board of commissioners to enforce this section to serve notice upon the owner of record in violation of subsection (1) above, a notice in plain language to remedy the condition within ten (10) days (or twenty (20) days if the owner of record is a carrier engaged in the transportation of

property or is a utility transmitting communications, electricity, gas, liquids, steam, sewage, or other materials), excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. The notice shall be sent by registered or certified United States Mail, addressed to the last known address of the owner of record. The notice shall state that the owner of the property is entitled to a hearing, and shall, at the minimum, contain the following additional information:

- (a) A brief statement that the owner is in violation of § 13-108 of the Englewood Municipal Code, which has been enacted under the authority of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-113, and that the property of such owner may be cleaned up at the expense of the owner and a lien placed against the property to secure the cost of the clean-up;
- (b) The person, office, address, and telephone number of the department or person giving the notice;
- (c) A cost estimate for remedying the noted condition, which shall be in conformity with the standards of cost in the town; and
- (d) A place wherein the notified party may return a copy of the notice, indicating the desire for a hearing.
- Clean-up at property owner's expense. If the property owner of record fails or refuses to remedy the condition within ten (10) days after receiving the notice (twenty (20) days if the owner is a carrier engaged in the transportation of property or is a utility transmitting communications, electricity, gas, liquids, steam, sewage, or other materials), the department or person designated by the board of commissioners to enforce the provisions of this section shall immediately cause the condition to be remedied or removed at a cost in conformity with reasonable standards, and the costs thereof shall be assessed against the owner of the property. The town may collect the costs assessed against the owner through an action for debt filed in any court of competent jurisdiction. The town may bring one (1) action for debt against more than one (1) or all of the owners of properties against whom such costs have been assessed, and the fact that multiple owners have been joined in one (1) action shall not be considered by the court as a misjoinder of parties. Upon the filing of the notice with the office of the register of deeds in McMinn County, the costs shall be a lien on the property in favor of the municipality, second only to liens of the state, county, and municipality for taxes, any lien of the municipality for special assessments, and any valid lien, right, or interest in such property duly recorded or duly perfected by filing, prior to the filing of such notice. These costs shall be placed on the tax rolls of the municipality as a lien and shall be added to property tax bills to be collected at the same time and in the same manner as property taxes are collected. If the owner fails to pay the costs, they may be collected at the same time and in the same manner as delinquent property taxes are collected and shall be subject to the same penalty and interest as delinquent property taxes.
- (5) <u>Clean-up of owner-occupied property</u>. When the owner of an owner-occupied residential property fails or refuses to remedy the condition

within ten (10) days after receiving the notice, the department or person designated by the board of commissioners to enforce the provisions of this section shall immediately cause the condition to be remedied or removed at a cost in accordance with reasonable standards in the community, with these costs to be assessed against the owner of the property. The provisions of subsection (4) shall apply to the collection of costs against the owner of an owner-occupied residential property except that the municipality must wait until cumulative charges for remediation equal or exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) before filing the notice with the register of deeds and the charges becoming a lien on the property. After this threshold has been met and the lien attaches, charges for costs for which the lien attached are collectible as provided in subsection (4) for these charges.

- (6) Appeal. The owner of record who is aggrieved by the determination and order of the public officer may appeal the determination and order to the board of commissioners. The appeal shall be filed with the town recorder within ten (10) days following the receipt of the notice issued pursuant to subsection (3) above. The failure to appeal within this time shall, without exception, constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing.
- (7) <u>Judicial review</u>. Any person aggrieved by an order or act of the board of commissioners under subsection (4) above may seek judicial review of the order or act. The time period established in subsection (3) above shall be stayed during the pendency of judicial review.
- (8) <u>Supplemental nature of this section</u>. The provisions of this section are in addition and supplemental to, and not in substitution for, any other provision in the municipal charter, this municipal code of ordinances or other applicable law which permits the town to proceed against an owner, tenant or occupant of property who has created, maintained, or permitted to be maintained on such property the growth of trees, vines, grass, weeds, underbrush and/or the accumulation of the debris, trash, litter, or garbage or any combination of the preceding elements, under its charter, any other provisions of this municipal code of ordinances or any other applicable law.

ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

- 13-201. Purpose.
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- 13-205. Refusal to remove.
- 13-206. Removal by town.
- 13-207. Police right to enter property.
- 13-201. Purpose. In enacting this chapter, the commission finds and declares that the accumulation and storage of abandoned, wrecked, junked, partially dismantled or inoperative motor vehicles, on private property, which motor vehicles are in the nature of rubbish and unsightly debris, violates in many instances, the zoning regulations of the town and constitutes a nuisance detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the community in that such conditions tend to interfere with the enjoyment of and reduce the value of private property; invite plundering, create fire hazards and other safety and health hazards to minors as well as adults, interfere with the comfort and well being of the public and create, extend and aggravate urban blight, and that the public health, safety and general welfare require that such conditions be regulated, abated and prohibited. (1997 Code, § 13-201)
- 13-202. Storage on private property prohibited. It shall be unlawful to park, store or leave, or to permit the parking or storing of any licensed or unlicensed motor vehicle of any kind, for a period in excess of seventy-two (72) hours which is in a rusted, wrecked, junked, partially dismantled, inoperative or abandoned condition, whether attended or not, upon any private property within the town, unless the same is completely enclosed within a building or unless it is in connection with a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner and licensed as such, when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise. (1997 Code, § 13-202)
- 13-203. Removal required. The accumulation and storage of one or more such motor vehicles in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall constitute rubbish and debris, and a nuisance, detrimental to the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the town, and it shall be the duty of the registered owner of such motor vehicle and it shall also be the duty of the person in charge or control of the private property upon which such motor vehicle is located, whether as owner, tenant, occupant, lessee, or otherwise, to remove the same to a place of lawful storage, or to have the motor vehicle

housed within a building where it will not be visible from the street. (1997 Code, § 13-203)

- 13-204. Notice to be given to remove. Whenever there is reasonable grounds to believe that a violation of the provisions of this chapter exists, the chief of police shall give, or cause to be given, written notice to the registered owner of any motor vehicle which is in violation of this chapter, or shall give such notice to the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the private property upon which such motor vehicle is located, or shall give such notice to both the registered owner and to the owner or person in lawful possession or control of such private property that said motor vehicle violates the provisions of this chapter, and demanding that said motor vehicle be removed to a place of lawful storage within seventy-two (72) hours, or that within seventy-two (72) hours, the same be housed in a building where it will not be visible from the street. Service of notice shall be by mail duly posted. (1997 Code, § 13-204)
- 13-205. <u>Refusal to remove</u>. Any person who fails, neglects, or refuses to remove the abandoned, wrecked, junked, partially dismantled, or inoperative motor vehicle or to house the same and abate said nuisance in accordance with the notice as provided herein, shall be in violation of the provisions of this chapter and shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (1997 Code, § 13-205)
- 13-206. Removal by town. In addition to and not in lieu of any other procedure prescribed in this chapter or in this code for removal of abandoned motor vehicles from private property, if the registered owner of any motor vehicle which is in violation of this chapter or the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the private property upon which the same is located shall fail, neglect or refuse to remove or house such abandoned, wrecked, junked, partially dismantled or inoperative motor vehicle in accordance with the notice given pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the chief of police may remove and dispose of such motor vehicle in the manner provided for by Tennessee Code Annotated, title 55, chapter 16, particularly §§ 55-16-104, 55-16-105, and 55-16-106, and he may thereafter maintain an action in the name of the town, in the appropriate court, against any person or persons upon whom notice was served as required by this chapter to recover the costs of removing and disposing of such motor vehicle, in the event the proceeds of any sale thereof shall be insufficient to recover such costs. (1997 Code, § 13-206)
- 13-207. Police right to enter property. The chief of police, any regularly employed and salaried officer of the police department of the town, contracting agents of the Town of Englewood, and employees of such contracting agents, and authorized officers, employees and agents of the Town of Englewood, and each of them, are hereby expressly authorized to enter upon private property for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this chapter. It shall be

unlawful for any person to interfere, hinder or refuse to allow them to enter upon private property for such purpose and to remove any motor vehicle in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Any person to whom notice was given pursuant to this chapter shall have the right to remove or house such motor vehicle in accordance with said notice at his own expense at any time prior to the arrival of the chief of police or his authorized representatives for the purpose of removal. (1997 Code, § 13-207)

SLUM CLEARANCE

- 13-301. Findings of the board.
- 13-302. Definitions.
- 13-303. "Public officer" designated; powers.
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- 13-312. Additional powers of public officer.
- 13-313. Powers conferred are supplemental.
- 13-314. Structures unfit for human habitation deemed unlawful.
- 13-301. Findings of the board. Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 13-21-101, et seq., the board of commissioners finds that there exists in the town structures which are unfit for human occupation due to dilapidation, defects increasing the hazards of fire, accident or other calamities, lack of ventilation, light or sanitary facilities, or due to other conditions rendering such dwellings unsafe or unsanitary, or dangerous or detrimental to the health, safety and morals, or otherwise inimical to the welfare of the residents of the town. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- **13-302.** <u>Definitions</u>. (1) "Dwelling" means any building or structure, or part thereof, used and occupied for human occupation or use or intended to be so used, and includes any outhouses and appurtenances belonging thereto or usually enjoyed therewith.
- (2) "Governing body" shall mean the board of commissioners charged with governing the town.
- (3) "Municipality" shall mean the Town of Englewood, Tennessee, and the areas encompassed within existing town limits or as hereafter annexed.
- (4) "Owner" shall mean the holder of title in fee simple and every mortgagee of record.
- (5) "Parties in interest" shall mean all individuals, associations, corporations and others who have interests of record in a dwelling and any who are in possession thereof.

- (6) "Place of public accommodation" means any building or structure in which goods are supplied or services performed, or in which the trade of the general public is solicited.
- (7) "Public authority" shall mean any housing authority or any officer who is in charge of any department or branch of the government of the town or state relating to health, fire, building regulations, or other activities concerning structures in the town.
- (8) "Public officer" means any officer or officers of a municipality or the executive director or other chief executive officer of any commission or authority established by such municipality or jointly with any other municipality who is authorized by this chapter to exercise the power prescribed herein and pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 13-21-101, et seq.
- (9) "Structure" means any dwelling or place of public accommodation or vacant building or structure suitable as a dwelling or place of public accommodation. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-303. "Public officer" designated; powers. There is hereby designated and appointed a "public officer," to be the town manager of the town, to exercise the powers prescribed by this chapter, which powers shall be supplemental to all others held by the town building inspector. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-304. <u>Initiation of proceedings; hearings</u>. Whenever a petition is filed with the public officer by a public authority or by at least five (5) residents of the town charging that any structure is unfit for human occupancy or use, or wherever it appears to the public officer (on his own motion) that any structure is unfit for human occupation or use, the public officer shall, if his preliminary investigation discloses a basis for such charges, issue and cause to be served upon the owner of, and parties in interest of, such structure a complaint stating the charges in that respect and containing a notice that a hearing will be held before the public officer (or his designated agent) at a place therein fixed, not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days after the service of the complaint; and the owner and parties in interest shall have the right to file an answer to the complaint and to appear in person, or otherwise, and give testimony at the time and place fixed in the complaint; and the rules of evidence prevailing in courts of law or equity shall not be controlling in hearings before the public officer. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-305. Orders to owners of unfit structures. If, after such notice and hearing as provided for in the preceding section, the public officer determines that the structure under consideration is unfit for human occupation or use, he shall state in writing his finding of fact in support of such determination and shall issue and cause to be served upon the owner thereof an order:

- (1) If the repair, alteration or improvement of the structure can be made at a reasonable cost in relation to the value of the structure (not exceeding fifty percent (50%) of the reasonable value), requiring the owner, within the time specified in the order, to repair, alter, or improve such structure to render it fit for human occupation or use or to vacate and close the structure for human occupation or use; or
- (2) If the repair, alteration or improvement of said structure cannot be made at a reasonable cost in relation to the value of the structure (not to exceed fifty percent (50%) of the value of the premises), requiring the owner within the time specified in the order, to remove or demolish such structure. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-306. When public officer may repair, etc. If the owner fails to comply with the order to repair, alter, or improve or to vacate and close the structure as specified in the preceding section hereof, the public officer may cause such structure to be repaired, altered, or improved, or to be vacated and closed; and the public officer may cause to be posted on the main entrance of any dwelling so closed, a placard with the following words: "This building is unfit for human occupation or use. The use or occupation of this building for human occupation or use is prohibited and unlawful." (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-307. When public officer may remove or demolish. If the owner fails to comply with an order, as specified above, to remove or demolish the structure, the public officer may cause such structure to be removed and demolished. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-308. Lien for expenses; sale of salvaged materials; other powers not limited. The amount of the cost of such repairs, alterations or improvements, or vacating and closing, or removal or demolition by the public officer shall be assessed against the owner of the property, and shall upon the filing of the notice with the office of the register of deeds of McMinn County, be a lien on the property in favor of the municipality, second only to liens of the state, county and municipality for taxes, any lien of the municipality for special assessments, and any valid lien, right, or interest in such property duly recorded or duly perfected by filing, prior to the filing of such notice. These costs shall be collected by the municipal tax collector or county trustee at the same time and in the same manner as property taxes are collected. If the owner fails to pay the costs, they may be collected at the same time and in the same manner as delinquent property taxes are collected and shall be subject to the same penalty and interest as delinquent property taxes. In addition, the municipality may collect the costs assessed against the owner through an action for debt filed in any court of competent jurisdiction.

The municipality may bring one (1) action for debt against more than one or all of the owners of properties against whom said costs have been assessed

and the fact that multiple owners have been joined in one (1) action shall not be considered by the court as a misjoinder of parties. If the structure is removed or demolished by the public officer, he shall sell the materials of such structure and shall credit the proceeds of such sale against the cost of the removal or demolition, and any balance remaining shall be deposited in the chancery court of McMinn County by the public officer, shall be secured in such manner as may be directed by such court, and shall be disbursed by such court to the person found to be entitled thereto by final order or decree of such court. Nothing in this section shall be construed to impair or limit in any way the power of the Town of Englewood to define and declare nuisances and to cause their removal or abatement, by summary proceedings or otherwise. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)

- 13-309. <u>Basis for a finding of unfitness</u>. The public officer defined herein shall have the power and may determine that a structure is unfit for human occupation and use if he finds that conditions exist in such structure which are dangerous or injurious to the health, safety or morals of the occupants or users of such structure, the occupants or users of neighboring structures or other residents of the Town of Englewood. Such conditions may include the following (without limiting the generality of the foregoing): defects therein increasing the hazards of fire, accident, or other calamities; lack of adequate ventilation, light, or sanitary facilities; dilapidation; disrepair; structural defects; or uncleanliness. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- by the public officer pursuant to this chapter shall be served upon persons, either personally or by registered mail, but if the whereabouts of such persons are unknown and the same cannot be ascertained by the public officer in the exercise of reasonable diligence, and the public officer shall make an affidavit to that effect, then the serving of such complaint or order upon such persons may be made by publishing the same once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper printed and published in the town. In addition, a copy of such complaint or order shall be posted in a conspicuous place on premises affected by the complaint or order. A copy of such complaint or order shall also be filed for record in the Register's Office of McMinn County, Tennessee, and such filing shall have the same force and effect as other lis pendens notices provided by law. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-311. Enjoining enforcement of orders. Any person affected by an order issued by the public officer served pursuant to this chapter may file a bill in chancery court for an injunction restraining the public officer from carrying out the provisions of the order, and the court may, upon the filing of such suit, issue a temporary injunction restraining the public officer pending the final disposition of the cause; provided, however, that within sixty (60) days after the

posting and service of the order of the public officer, such person shall file such bill in the court.

The remedy provided herein shall be the exclusive remedy and no person affected by an order of the public officer shall be entitled to recover any damages for action taken pursuant to any order of the public officer, or because of noncompliance by such person with any order of the public officer. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)

- 13-312. <u>Additional powers of public officer</u>. The public officer, in order to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this chapter, shall have the following powers in addition to those otherwise granted herein:
- (1) To investigate conditions of the structures in the town in order to determine which structures therein are unfit for human occupation or use;
- (2) To administer oaths, affirmations, examine witnesses and receive evidence:
- (3) To enter upon premises for the purpose of making examination, provided that such entry shall be made in such manner as to cause the least possible inconvenience to the persons in possession;
- (4) To appoint and fix the duties of such officers, agents and employees as he deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter; and
- (5) To delegate any of his functions and powers under this chapter to such officers and agents as he may designate. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-313. Powers conferred are supplemental. This chapter shall not be construed to abrogate or impair the powers of the town with regard to the enforcement of the provisions of its charter or any other ordinances or regulations, nor to prevent or punish violations thereof, and the powers conferred by this chapter shall be in addition and supplemental to the powers conferred by the charter and other laws. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)
- 13-314. Structures unfit for human habitation deemed unlawful. It shall be unlawful for any owner of record to create, maintain or permit to be maintained in the town structures which are unfit for human occupation due to dilapidation, defects increasing the hazards of fire, accident or other calamities, lack of ventilation, light or sanitary facilities, or due to other conditions rendering such dwellings unsafe or unsanitary, or dangerous or detrimental to the health, safety and morals, or otherwise inimical to the welfare of the residents of the town.

Violations of this section shall subject the offender to a penalty under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. #04-10-06-73, May 2006)

TITLE 14

ZONING AND LAND USE CONTROL

CHAPTER

- 1. MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION.
- 2. ZONING ORDINANCE.
- 3. FLOODPLAIN ZONING ORDINANCE.
- 4. MOBILE HOME PARKS.

CHAPTER 1

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

- 14-101. Creation and membership.
- 14-102. Organization, powers, duties, etc.
- 14-101. Creation and membership. Pursuant to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 13-4-101 there is hereby created a municipal planning commission, hereinafter referred to as the planning commission. The planning commission shall consist of five (5) members; two (2) of these shall be the mayor and another member of the board of commissioners selected by the board of commissioners; the other three (3) members shall be appointed by the mayor. All members of the planning commission shall serve as such without compensation. Except for the initial appointments, the terms of the three (3) members appointed by the mayor shall be for three (3) years each. The three (3) members first appointed shall be appointed for terms of one (1), two (2), and three (3) years respectively so that the term of one (1) member expires each year. The terms of the mayor and the member selected by the governing body shall run concurrently their terms of office. Any vacancy in an appointive membership shall be filled for the unexpired term by the mayor. (1997 Code, § 14-101)
- 14-102. <u>Organization, powers, duties, etc</u>. The planning commission shall be organized and shall carry out its powers, functions, and duties in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, title 13. (1997 Code, § 14-102)

ZONING ORDINANCE

SECTION

14-201. Land use to be governed by zoning ordinance.

14-201. Land use to be governed by zoning ordinance. Land use within the Town of Englewood shall be governed by Ordinance #_____, titled "Zoning Ordinance, Englewood, Tennessee," and any amendments thereto. (1997 Code, § 14-201)

 $^{^1}$ Ordinance #___, and any amendments thereto, are published as separate documents and are of record in the office of the city recorder.

FLOODPLAIN ZONING ORDINANCE

SECTION

14-301. Flood damage control to be governed by floodplain zoning ordinance.

14-301. Flood damage control to be governed by floodplain zoning ordinance. Regulations governing flood damage control within the Town of Englewood shall be governed by Ordinance #06-18-07-83, titled "Municipal Floodplain Zoning Ordinance" and any amendments thereto which is a part of the Englewood Municipal Zoning Ordinance.¹

¹Ordinance #06-18-07-83 (June 2007), and any amendments thereto, are published as separate documents and are of record in the office of the city recorder.

MOBILE HOME PARKS

- 14-401. Definitions.
- 14-402. Regulating mobile homes.
- 14-403. Regulating parks.
- 14-404. License fee.
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- 14-406. Penalty.
- **14-401. Definitions**. (1) "Mobile home." A detached single family dwelling unit with any or all of the following characteristics:
- (a) Designed for long-term occupancy, and containing sleeping accommodations, a flush toilet, a tub or shower bath and kitchen facilities, with plumbing and electrical connections provided for attachment to outside systems.
- (b) Designed to be transported after fabrication on its own wheels, or on a flatbed or other trailers or detachable wheels.
- (c) Arriving at the site where it is to be occupied as a complete dwelling including major appliances and furniture, and ready for occupancy except for minor and incidental unpacking and assembly operations, location on foundation supports, connection to utilities and the like.
- (2) "Mobile home park." The term mobile home park shall mean any plot of ground within the Town of Englewood on which two (2) or more mobile homes, occupied for dwelling or sleeping purposes are located.
- (3) "Mobile home space." The term shall mean a plot of ground within a mobile home park designated for the accommodation of one (1) mobile home.
- (4) "Health officer." The director of a town, county or district health department having jurisdiction over the community health in a specific area, or his duly authorized representative.
- (5) "Permit." A permit is required for trailer parks and single mobile homes. Fees charged under the license requirement are for inspection and the administration of this chapter. (1997 Code, § 14-401)
- **14-402.** Regulating mobile homes. (1) It shall be unlawful for any mobile home to be used, stored, or placed on any lot or serviced by utilities of said town where said mobile home is in violation of the provisions of this chapter.
- (2) The owner or occupant of any mobile home already placed on a lot, on or before September 1, 1969, will be permitted to reside at the present location. However, if at any time the ownership or occupancy of either the lot or mobile home shall change or if said mobile home is moved from its present location, said mobile home owner shall be given a period not to exceed thirty (30)

days in which to remove said mobile home or to comply with all provisions of this chapter.

- (3) A mobile home outside a mobile home park may occupy an individual lot as the principal building provided said lot shall not contain less than seven thousand five hundred (7,500) square feet.
- (4) A mobile home on an individual lot shall be set back a minimum of fifteen (15) feet from the side property lines and thirty-five (35) feet from the right-of-way line of the street upon which the lot fronts.
- (5) On each individual lot occupied by a mobile home, a minimum of one off-street space shall be provided. Such space shall be at least three hundred (300) square feet in area and shall have vehicular access to a public street.
- (6) If a zoning ordinance for said town is in effect, a mobile home, located outside a mobile home park, shall be in conformance with all provisions of the zoning ordinance applicable to single family residences.
- (7) A mobile home shall be in conformance with all plumbing, electrical, and sanitary codes applicable to single family residences.
- (8) An adequate sewage disposal system must be provided and approved in writing by the health officer. A mobile home on an individual lot must connect with public sewerage systems and water systems, if such services are available. Such connections shall comply with standards established by the health officer. In lieu of a public sewerage system connection, an approved septic tank and subsurface soil absorption system must be used.
- (9) No mobile home shall be used, placed, stored or serviced by utilities in said town unless there is posted near the door of said mobile home a valid town license sticker. (1997 Code, § 14-402)
- 14-403. <u>Regulating parks</u>. (1) <u>Permit for mobile home park</u>. No place or site within said town shall be established or maintained by any person, group of persons, or corporation as a mobile home park unless he holds a valid permit issued by the town building inspector in the name of such person or persons for the specific mobile home park. The town building inspector is authorized to issue, suspend, or revoke permits in accordance with the provision of this chapter.
- (2) <u>Inspection by town building inspector</u>. The town building inspector is hereby authorized and directed to make inspections to determine the condition of mobile home parks, in order that he may perform his duty of safeguarding the health and safety of occupants of mobile home parks and of the general public. The town building inspector shall have the power to enter at reasonable times upon any private or public property for the purpose of inspecting and investigating conditions relating to the enforcement of this chapter.
- (3) <u>Location and planning</u>. The mobile home park shall be located on a well-drained site and shall be so located that its drainage will not endanger

any water supply and shall be in conformity with a plan approved by the town planning commission and town building inspector. The town planning commission and building inspector may promulgate regulations for mobile home park location and plan approval, which shall provide for adequate space, lighting, drainage, sanitary facilities, safety features, and service buildings as may be necessary to protect the public health, prevent nuisances, and provide for the convenience and welfare of the mobile home park occupants.

- (4) <u>Minimum size of mobile home park</u>. The tract of land for the mobile home park shall comprise an area of not less than two (2) acres. The tract of land shall consist of a single plot so dimensioned and related as to facilitate efficient design and management.
- (5) <u>Minimum number of spaces</u>. Minimum number of spaces completed and ready for occupancy before first occupancy is ten (10).
- (6) Minimum mobile home space and spacing of mobile homes. Each mobile home space shall be adequate for the type of facility occupying the same. Mobile homes shall be parked on each space so that there will be at least fifteen (15) feet of open space between mobile homes or any attachment such as a garage or porch, and at least ten (10) feet end to end spacing between trailers and any building or structure, twenty (20) feet between any trailer and property line and twenty-five (25) feet from the right-of-way of any public street or highway.

If the construction of additional rooms or covered areas is to be allowed beside the mobile homes, the mobile home spaces shall be made wider to accommodate such construction in order to maintain the required fifteen (15) feet of open space.

The individual plot sizes for mobile home spaces shall be determined as follows:

- (a) Minimum lot area of two thousand four hundred (2,400) square feet;
- (b) Minimum depth with end parking of an automobile shall be equal to the length of the mobile home plus thirty (30) feet;
- (c) Minimum depth with side or street parking shall be equal to the length of mobile home plus fifteen (15) feet; and
- (d) In no case shall the minimum width be less than forty (40) feet and the minimum depth less than sixty (60) feet.
- (7) Water supply. Where a public water supply is available, it shall be used exclusively. The development of an independent water supply to serve the mobile home park shall be made only after express approval has been granted by the county health officer. In those instances where an independent system is approved, the water shall be from a supply properly located, protected, and operated, and shall be adequate in quantity and approved in quality. Samples of water for bacteriological examination shall be taken before the initial approval of the physical structure and thereafter at least every four (4) months and when any repair or alteration of the water supply system has been made.

If a positive sample is obtained, it will be the responsibility of the trailer court operator to provide such treatment as is deemed necessary to maintain a safe, potable water supply. Water shall be furnished at the minimum rate of one hundred twenty-five (125) gallons per day per mobile home space. An individual water service connection shall be provided for each mobile home space.

(8) <u>Sewage disposal</u>. An adequate sewage disposal system must be provided and must be approved in writing by the health officer. Each mobile home space shall be equipped with at least a four (4) inch sewer connection, trapped below the frost line and reaching at least four (4) inches above the surface of the grounds. All sewer lines shall be laid in trenches separated at least ten (10) feet horizontally from any drinking water supply line.

Every effort should be made to dispose of the sewage through a public sewerage system. In lieu of this, a septic tank and sub-surface soil absorption system may be used provided the soil characteristics are suitable and an adequate disposal area is available. The minimum size of any septic tank to be installed under any condition shall not be less than seven hundred fifty (750) gallons working capacity. This size tank can accommodate a maximum of two (2) mobile homes. For each additional mobile home on such a single tank, a minimum additional liquid capacity of one hundred seventy-five (175) gallons shall be provided. The sewage from no more than twelve (12) mobile homes shall be disposed of in any one (1) single tank installation. The size of such tank shall be a minimum of two thousand five hundred (2,500) gallons liquid capacity.

The amount of effective soil absorption area or total bottom area of overflow trenches will depend on local soil conditions and shall be determined only on the basis of the percolation rate of the soil. The percolation rate should be determined as outlined in Appendix A of the Tennessee Department of Health Bulletin, entitled "Recommended Construction of Large Septic Tank Disposal Systems for Schools, Factories and Institutions." This bulletin is available on request from the department. No mobile home shall be placed over a soil absorption field.

In lieu of a public sewerage or septic tank system, an officially approved package treatment plant may be used.

- (9) Refuse. The storage, collection and disposal of refuse, in the park shall be so managed as to create no health hazards. All refuse shall be stored in fly proof, water tight and rodent proof containers. Satisfactory container racks or holders shall be provided. Garbage shall be collected and disposed of in an approved manner at least twice per week.
- (10) <u>Electricity</u>. An electrical outlet supplying at .least two hundred twenty (220) volts shall be provided for each mobile home space and shall be weather proof and accessible to the parked mobile home. All electrical installations shall be in compliance with the National Code and Tennessee Department of Insurance and Banking Regulation No. 15, entitled "Regulation

Relating to Electrical Installations in the State of Tennessee," and shall satisfy all requirements of the local electric service organization.

(11) Streets. Widths of various streets within mobile home parks shall be:

One-way, with no on-street parking	1 ft.
One-way, with parallel parking on one side only	8 ft.
One-way, with parallel parking on both sides	6 ft.
Two-way, with no on-street parking	0 ft.
Two-way, with parallel parking on one side only	8 ft.
Two-way, with parallel parking on both sides	6 ft.
Streets shall have a compacted gravel base and a prime seal treatn	nent
to meet requirements of the Tennessee State Highway Department.	

- (12) Parking space. Car parking spaces shall be provided in sufficient number to meet the needs of the occupants of the property and their guests without interference with normal movement of traffic. Such facilities shall be provided at the rate of at least one (1) car space for each mobile home lot plus an additional car space for each four (4) lots to provide for guest parking, for two (2) car tenants and for delivery and service vehicles. Car parking spaces shall be located for convenient access to the mobile home spaces. Where practical, one (1) car space shall be located on each lot and the remainder located in adjacent parking bays. The size of the individual parking space shall have a minimum width of not less than ten (10) feet and a length of not less than twenty (20) feet. The parking spaces shall be located so access can be gained only from internal streets of the mobile home park.
- (13) <u>Buffer strip</u>. An evergreen buffer strip shall be planted along those boundaries of the mobile home court that are adjacent development. (1997 Code, § 14-403)
- **14-404.** <u>License fee</u>. An annual license fee shall be required for mobile home parks and individual mobile homes as follows:
- (1) <u>Mobile home parks</u>. The annual license fee for mobile home parks shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).
- (2) <u>Individual mobile homes</u>. The annual license fee for each mobile home shall be five dollars (\$5.00). The fee for transfer of the license because of change of ownership or occupancy shall be five dollars (\$5.00). (1975 Code, § 8-405)
- 14-405. <u>Enforcement</u>. It shall be the duty of the county health officer and the town building inspector to enforce the provisions of this chapter. (1997 Code, § 14-407)
- 14-406. <u>Penalty</u>. After receiving a thirty (30) days' written notice of having violated the provisions of this chapter, any person, firm or corporation

who continues such violation shall be fined in accordance with the general penalty clause of this code. (1997 Code, § 14-408)

TITLE 15

MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAFFIC AND PARKING¹

CHAPTER

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CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS²

SECTION

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- 15-113. Riding on outside of vehicles.

Excavations and obstructions in streets, etc.: title 16.

Under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 55-10-307, the following offenses are exclusively state offenses and must be tried in a state court or a court having state jurisdiction: driving while intoxicated or drugged, as prohibited by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 55-10-401; failing to stop after a traffic accident, as prohibited by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 55-10-101, <u>et seq.</u>; driving while license is suspended or revoked, as prohibited by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 55-7-116; and drag racing, as prohibited by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 55-10-501.

¹Municipal code reference

²State law references

- 15-114. Backing vehicles.
- 15-115. Projections from the rear of vehicles.
- 15-116. Causing unnecessary noise.
- 15-117. Passing.
- 15-118. Damaging pavements.
- 15-119. Motorcycles, motor driven cycles, motorized bicycles, etc.
- 15-120. Delivery of vehicle to unlicensed driver, etc.
- 15-121. Compliance with financial responsibility law required.
- 15-122. Use of safety belts in passenger vehicles.
- 15-123. Adoption of state traffic statutes.
- **15-101.** <u>Motor vehicle requirements</u>. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle within the corporate limits unless such vehicle is equipped with properly operating muffler, lights, brakes, horn, and such other equipment as is prescribed and required by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 55, chapter 9.
- (2) <u>Lights required on motor vehicles</u>. Every motor vehicle other than a motorcycle, road machinery, or farm tractor shall be equipped with at least two (2) and not more than four (4) headlights with at least one (1) on each side of the motor vehicle.

Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with two (2) red tail lamps and two (2) red stop lamps. One (1) shall be on each side of the motor vehicle except passenger cars manufactured prior to January 1, 1939, trucks manufactured prior to January 1, 1968, and motorcycles and motor-driven cycles shall have at least one (1) red stoplight and one (1) red tail light.

- (3) <u>Windshield wipers</u>. Every motor vehicle having a windshield shall be equipped with two (2) windshield wipers for cleaning moisure from the windshield. Exception vehicles equipped with only one (1) wiper. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-102.** <u>Driving on streets closed for repairs, etc</u>. Except for necessary access to property abutting thereon, no motor vehicle shall be driven upon any street that is barricaded or closed for repairs or other lawful purpose. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-103.** <u>One-way streets</u>. On any street for one-way traffic with posted signs indicating the authorized direction of travel at all intersections offering access thereto, no person shall operate any vehicle except in the indicated direction. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-104.** <u>Unlaned streets</u>. (1) Upon all unlaned streets of sufficient width, a vehicle shall be driven upon the right half of the street except:
 - (a) When lawfully overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction.

- (b) When the right half of a roadway is closed to traffic while under construction or repair.
- (c) Upon a roadway designated and signposted by the municipality for one-way traffic.
- (2) All vehicles proceeding at less than the normal speed of traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing shall be driven as close as practicable to the right hand curb or edge of the roadway, except when overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction or when preparing for a left turn. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-105.** <u>Laned streets</u>. On streets marked with traffic lanes, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep his vehicle within the boundaries of the proper lane for his direction of travel except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement.

On two (2) lane and three (3) lane streets, the proper lane for travel shall be the right hand lane unless otherwise clearly marked. On streets with four (4) or more lanes, either of the right hand lanes shall be available for use except that traffic moving at less than the normal rate of speed shall use the extreme right hand lane. On one-way streets either lane may be lawfully used in the absence of markings to the contrary. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)

- **15-106.** <u>Yellow lines</u>. On streets with a yellow line placed to the right of any lane line or center line, such yellow line shall designate a no-passing zone, and no operator shall drive his vehicle or any part thereof across or to the left of such yellow line except when necessary to make a lawful left turn from such street. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-107.** <u>Miscellaneous traffic-control signs, etc</u>. ¹ It shall be unlawful for any pedestrian or the operator of any vehicle to violate or fail to comply with any traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device placed or erected by the state or the municipality. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- 15-108. General requirements for traffic control signs, etc. Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 54-5-108, all traffic control signs, signals, markings, and devices shall conform to the latest revision of the Tennessee Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways, and shall be uniform as to type and location throughout the town. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007, modified)

Stop signs, yield signs, flashing signals, pedestrian control signs, traffic control signals generally: §§ 15-505--15-509.

¹Municipal code references

- 15-109. <u>Unauthorized traffic-control signs</u>, etc. No person shall place, maintain, or display upon or in view of any street, any unauthorized sign, signal, marking, or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device or railroad sign or signal, or which attempts to control the movement of traffic or parking of vehicles, or which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any official traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device or any railroad sign or signal. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- 15-110. <u>School safety patrols</u>. All motorists and pedestrians shall obey the directions or signals of school safety patrols when such patrols are assigned under the authority of the chief of police and are acting in accordance with instructions; provided, that such persons giving any order, signal, or direction shall at the time be wearing some insignia and/or using authorized flags for giving signals. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-111.** <u>Driving through funerals or other processions</u>. Except when otherwise directed by a police officer, no driver of a vehicle shall drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral or other authorized procession while they are in motion and when such vehicles are conspicuously designated. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-112.** Clinging to vehicles in motion. It shall be unlawful for any person traveling upon any bicycle, motorcycle, coaster, sled, roller skates, or any other vehicle to cling to, or attach himself or his vehicle to any other moving vehicle upon any street, alley, or other public way or place. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-113.** Riding on outside of vehicles. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, or for the owner or operator of any motor vehicle being operated on a street, alley, or other public way or place, to permit any person to ride on any portion of such vehicle not designed or intended for the use of passengers. This section shall not apply to persons riding in the load-carrying space of trucks.
- (2) <u>Transporting child in truck bed</u>. A person commits an offense who, on the streets of Englewood or highway of the state, transports a child under six (6) years of age in the bed of a truck with a manufacturer's ton rating not exceeding three-quarter (3/4) ton and having a pickup body style. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-114.** Backing vehicles. The driver of a vehicle shall not back the same unless such movement can be made with reasonable safety and without interfering with other traffic. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)

- 15-115. Projections from the rear of vehicles. Whenever the load or any projecting portion of any vehicle shall extend beyond the rear of the bed or body thereof, the operator shall display at the end of such load or projection, in such position as to be clearly visible from the rear of such vehicle, a red flag being not less than twelve (12) inches square. Between one-half (½) hour after sunset and one-half (½) hour before sunrise, there shall be displayed in place of the flag a red light plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions at least two hundred (200) feet from the rear of such vehicle. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-116.** <u>Causing unnecessary noise</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause unnecessary noise by unnecessarily sounding the horn, "racing" the motor, or causing the "screeching" or "squealing" of the tires on any motor vehicle. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- 15-117. <u>Passing</u>. Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of a vehicle passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the left thereof at a safe distance and shall not again drive to the right side of the street until safely clear of the overtaken vehicle. The driver of the overtaken vehicle shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible signal and shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

When the street is wide enough, the driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass upon the right of another vehicle which is making or about to make a left turn.

The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass another vehicle proceeding in the same direction either upon the left or upon the right on a street of sufficient width for four (4) or more lanes of moving traffic when such movement can be made in safety.

No person shall drive off the pavement or upon the shoulder of the street in overtaking or passing on the right. No vehicle operator shall attempt to pass another vehicle proceeding in the same direction unless he can see that the way ahead is sufficiently clear and unobstructed to enable him to make the movement in safety. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)

15-118. <u>Damaging pavements</u>. No person shall operate or cause to be operated upon any street of the municipality any vehicle, motor propelled or otherwise, which by reason of its weight or the character of its wheels, tires, or track is likely to damage the surface or foundation of the street. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)

15-119. <u>Motorcycles, motor driven cycles, motorized bicycles, etc.</u>

(1) <u>Definitions</u>. For the purpose of the application of this section, the following words shall have the definitions indicated:

- (a) "Motorcycle." Every motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three (3) wheels in contact with the ground, but excluding a tractor or motorized bicycle.
- (b) "Motor driven cycle." Every motorcycle, including every motor scooter, with a motor which produces not to exceed five (5) brake horsepower, or with a motor with a cylinder capacity not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five cubic centimeters (125cc).
- (c) "Motorized bicycle." A vehicle with two (2) or three (3) wheels, an automatic transmission, and a motor with a cylinder capacity not exceeding fifty (50) cubic centimeters which produces no more than two (2) brake horsepower and is capable of propelling the vehicle at a maximum design speed of no more than thirty (30) miles per hour on level ground.
- (2) Every person riding or operating a bicycle, motor cycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall be subject to the provisions of all traffic ordinances, rules, and regulations of the town applicable to the driver or operator of other vehicles except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application to bicycles, motorcycles, motor driven cycles, or motorized bicycles.
- (3) No person operating or riding a bicycle, motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall ride other than upon or astride the permanent and regular seat attached thereto, nor shall the operator carry any other person upon such vehicle other than upon a firmly attached and regular seat thereon.
- (4) No bicycle, motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.
- (5) No person operating a bicycle, motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall carry any package, bundle, or article which prevents the rider from keeping both hands upon the handlebars.
- (6) No person under the age of sixteen (16) years shall operate any motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle while any other person is a passenger upon said motor vehicle.
- (7) Each driver of a motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or motorized bicycle and any passenger thereon shall be required to wear on his head a crash helmet of a type required in <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 55-9-302.
- (8) Every motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or motorized bicycle operated upon any public way within the corporate limits shall be equipped with a windshield or, in the alternative, the operator and any passenger on any such motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall be required to wear safety goggles, faceshield or glasses containing impact resistant lens for the purpose of preventing any flying object from striking the operator or any passenger in the eyes.

(9) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or ride on any vehicle in violation of this section, and it shall also be unlawful for any parent or guardian knowingly to permit any minor to operate a motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle in violation of this section. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)

15-120. Delivery of vehicle to unlicensed driver, etc.

- (1) <u>Definitions</u>. (a) "Adult" shall mean any person eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- (b) "Automobile" shall mean any motor driven automobile, car, truck, tractor, motorcycle, motor driven cycle, motorized bicycle, or vehicle driven by mechanical power.
- (c) "Custody" means the control of the actual, physical care of the juvenile, and includes the right and responsibility to provide for the physical, mental, moral and emotional well being of the juvenile. "Custody" as herein defined, related to those rights and responsibilities as exercised either by the juvenile's parent or parents or a person granted custody by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (d) "Drivers license" shall mean a license issued by the Tennessee Department of Safety to an individual, which authorizes the individual to operate a motor vehicle on the highways.
- (e) "Juvenile" as used in this chapter shall mean a person less than eighteen (18) years of age, and no exception shall be made for a juvenile who has been emancipated by marriage or otherwise.
- (2) It shall be unlawful for any adult to deliver the possession of or the control of any automobile or other motor vehicle to any person, whether an adult or a juvenile, who does not have in his possession a valid drivers license issued by the Department of Safety of the State of Tennessee, or for any adult to permit any person, whether an adult or a juvenile, to drive any motor vehicle upon the streets, highways, roads, avenues, parkways, alleys or public thoroughfares in the Town of Englewood unless such person has a valid drivers license as issued by the Department of Safety of the State of Tennessee.
- (3) It shall be unlawful for any parent or person having custody of a juvenile to permit any such juvenile to drive a motor vehicle upon the streets, highways, roads, parkways, avenues or public ways in the town in a reckless, careless, or unlawful manner, or in such a manner as to violate the ordinances of the town. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)

15-121. Compliance with financial responsibility law required.

- (1) Every vehicle operated within the corporate limits must be in compliance with the financial responsibility law.
- (2) At the time the driver of a motor vehicle is charged with any moving violation under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 55, chapters 8 and 10, parts 1-5, chapter 50; any provision in this title of this municipal code; or at the

time of an accident for which notice is required under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 55-10-106, the officer shall request evidence of financial responsibility as required by this section. In case of an accident for which notice is required under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 55-10-106, the officer shall request such evidence from all drivers involved in the accident, without regard to apparent or actual fault.

- (3) For the purposes of this section, "financial responsibility" means
- (a) Documentation, such as the declaration page of an insurance policy, an insurance binder, or an insurance card from an insurance company authorized to do business in Tennessee, stating that a policy of insurance meeting the requirements of the Tennessee Financial Responsibility Law of 1977, compiled in <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, chapter 12, title 55, has been issued;
- (b) A certificate, valid for one (1) year, issued by the commissioner of safety, stating that a cash deposit or bond in the amount required by the Tennessee Financial Responsibility Law of 1977, compiled in Tennessee Code Annotated, chapter 12, title 55, has been paid or filed with the commissioner, or has qualified as a self-insurer under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-12-111; or
- (c) The motor vehicle being operated at the time of the violation was owned by a carrier subject to the jurisdiction of the department of safety or the interstate commerce commission, or was owned by the United States, the State of Tennessee or any political subdivision thereof, and that such motor vehicle was being operated with the owner's consent.
- (4) <u>Civil offense</u>. It is a civil offense to fail to provide evidence of financial responsibility pursuant to this section. Any violation of this section is punishable by a civil penalty of up to fifty dollars (\$50.00). This civil penalty prescribed by this section shall be in addition to any other penalty prescribed by the laws of this state or by the town's municipal code of ordinances.
- (5) Evidence of compliance after violation. On or before the court date, the person charged with a violation of this section may submit evidence of compliance with this section in effect at the time of the violation. If the court is satisfied that compliance was in effect at the time of the violation, the charge of failure to provide evidence of financial responsibility may be dismissed. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
 - **15-122.** Use of safety belts in passenger vehicles. (1) (a) No person shall operate a passenger motor vehicle on any highway, as defined in Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-8-101(22), in this town unless such person and all passengers four (4) years of age or older are restrained by a safety belt at all times the vehicle is in forward motion.
 - (b) No person four (4) years of age or older shall be a passenger in a passenger motor vehicle on any highway, as defined in <u>Tennessee</u>

- <u>Code Annotated</u>, § 55-8-101(22), in this town unless such person is restrained by a safety belt at all times the vehicle is in forward motion.
- (2) (a) The provisions of this section shall apply only to the operator and all passengers occupying the front seat of a passenger motor vehicle.
- (b) If the vehicle is equipped with a rear seat which is capable of folding, the provisions of this section shall only apply to front seat passengers and the operator if the back seat is in the fold down position.
- (3) As used in this section, unless specified otherwise, "passenger car" or "passenger motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of eight thousand five hundred pounds (8,500 lbs.) or less, that is not used as a public or livery conveyance for passengers. "Passenger car" or "passenger motor vehicle" does not apply to motor vehicles which are not required by federal law to be equipped with safety belts.
 - (4) (a) A violation of this section is a civil offense punishable by a fine of up to fifty dollars (\$50.00). All proceeds from the fines imposed by this subsection (3) shall be deposited in the state general fund and designated for the exclusive use of the division of vocational rehabilitation to assist eligible handicapped individuals as defined in <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 49-11-602(3) who have been severely injured in motor vehicle accidents.
 - (b) A person charged with a violation of this section may, in lieu of appearance in court, submit a fine of ten dollars (\$10.00) for a first violation, and twenty dollars (\$20.00) on second and subsequent violations to the town court clerk.
 - (c) (i) Notwithstanding subsection (4)(b) to the contrary, a person charged with a violation of subsection (9) may, in lieu of appearance in court, submit a fine of twenty dollars (\$20.00) to the town court clerk.
 - (ii) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (4)(a) to the contrary, the revenue generated by ten dollars (\$10.00) of the twenty dollar (\$20.00) fine under subsection (4)(c)(i) for a person's first conviction under subsection (9) shall be deposited in the state general fund without being designated for any specific purpose. The remaining ten dollars (\$10.00) of such twenty dollar (\$20.00) fine for such person's first conviction under subsection (i) shall be deposited in the state general fund and designated for the exclusive use of the division of vocational rehabilitation in accordance with subsection (4)(a).
 - (iii) The revenue generated from such person's second or subsequent conviction under subsection (9) shall be deposited in the state general fund and designated for the exclusive use of the division and vocational rehabilitation in accordance with subsection (4)(a).

- (5) No clerk's fee nor court costs, including, but not limited to, any statutory fees of officers, shall be imposed or assessed against anyone convicted of a violation of this section. No litigation tax levied pursuant to the provisions of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 67, chapter 4, part 6, shall be imposed or assessed against anyone convicted of a violation of this section.
 - (6) (a) A law enforcement officer observing a violation of this section shall issue a citation to the violator, but shall not arrest or take into custody any person solely for a violation of this section.
 - (b) The department of safety shall not report any convictions under this section except for law enforcement or governmental purposes.
- (7) In no event shall a violation of this section be assigned a point value for suspension or revocation of a license by the department of safety, nor shall such violation be construed as any other offense under the provisions of this title.
 - (8) This section does not apply to:
 - (a) A passenger or operator with a physically disabling condition whose physical disability would prevent appropriate restraint in such safety seat or safety belt; provided, that such condition is duly certified in writing by a physician who shall state the nature of the handicap, as well as the reason such restraint is inappropriate;
 - (b) A passenger motor vehicle operated by a rural letter carrier of the United States postal service while performing the duties of a rural letter carrier:
 - (c) Salespersons or mechanics employed by an automobile dealer who, in the course of their employment, test drive a motor vehicle, if such dealership customarily test drives fifty (50) or more motor vehicles a day, and if such test drives occur within one (1) mile of the location of the dealership;
 - (d) Utility workers, water, gas and electric meter readers in the course of their employment;
 - (e) A newspaper delivery motor carrier service while performing the duties of a newspaper delivery motor carrier service; provided, that this exemption shall only apply from the time of the actual first delivery to the customer until the last actual delivery to the customer;
 - (f) A vehicle in use in a parade if operated at less than fifteen miles per hour (15 mph); or
 - (g) A vehicle in use in a hayride if operated at less than fifteen miles per hour (15 mph); or
 - (h) A vehicle crossing a highway from one field to another if operated at less than fifteen miles per hour (15 mph).
 - (9) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, no person between sixteen (16) years of age and up to and through the age of seventeen (17) years of age, shall operate a passenger

motor vehicle, or be a passenger therein, unless such person is restrained by a safety belt at all times the vehicle is in forward motion.

- (b) Notwithstanding subsection (2)(a), the provisions of this subsection (9) shall apply to all occupants between sixteen (16) years of age and eighteen (18) years of age occupying any seat in a passenger motor vehicle.
- (c) Notwithstanding subsection (6)(a), a law enforcement officer observing a violation of this subsection (9) shall issue a citation to the violator, but shall not arrest or take into custody any person solely for a violation of this subsection (9).
- (10) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (2), no person with a learner permit or an intermediate driver's license shall operate a passenger motor vehicle in this town unless such person and all passengers between the ages of four (4) and seventeen (17) years of age are restrained by a safety belt at all times the vehicle is in forward motion. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-123.** Adoption of state traffic statutes. By the authority granted under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 16-18-302, the Town of Englewood adopts by reference as if fully set forth in this section, the "Rules of the Road," as codified in Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 55-8-101 through 55-8-131, § \$55-8-133 through 55-8-150, and §§ 55-8-152 through 55-8-180. Additionally, the Town of Englewood adopts Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 55-8-181 through 55-8-193, §§ 55-9-601 through 55-9-606, § 55-12-139, and § 55-21-108 by reference as if fully set forth in this section. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)

EMERGENCY VEHICLES

- 15-201. Authorized emergency vehicles defined.
- 15-202. Operation of authorized emergency vehicles.
- 15-203. Following emergency vehicles.
- 15-204. Running over fire hoses, etc.
- **15-201.** <u>Authorized emergency vehicles defined</u>. Authorized emergency vehicles shall be fire department vehicles, police vehicles, and such ambulances and other emergency vehicles as are designated by the chief of police.
- (1) Horn, bells, sirens, or exhaust whistles on emergency vehicles. Every motor vehicle, when operated upon any street or highway in the Town of Englewood shall be equipped with a horn in good working order capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than two hundred feet (200) and it is unlawful, except as otherwise provided in this section, for any siren, exhaust, compression or spark plug whistle or for any person at any time to use a horn otherwise than as a reasonable warning or to make any unnecessary or unreasonable loud or harsh sound by means of a horn or other warning device.
- (2) Every police, fire department and fire patrol vehicle, and every ambulance shall be equipped with a bell, siren, or exhaust whistle of a type approved by the department, or the police department. (1997 Code, § 15-201)
- 15-202. Operation of authorized emergency vehicles.¹ (1) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle, when responding to an emergency call, or when in the pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, or when responding to but not upon returning from a fire alarm, may exercise the privileges set forth in this section, subject to the conditions herein stated.
- (2) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle may park or stand, irrespective of the provisions of this title; proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, but only after slowing down to ascertain that the intersection is clear; exceed the maximum speed limit and disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions so long as he does not endanger life or property.

¹Municipal code reference

Operation of other vehicle upon the approach of emergency vehicles: § 15-501.

- (3) The exemptions herein granted for an authorized emergency vehicle shall apply only when the driver of any such vehicle while in motion sounds an audible signal by bell, siren, or exhaust whistle and when the vehicle is equipped with at least one (1) lighted lamp displaying a red light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the front of such vehicle, except that an authorized emergency vehicle operated as a police vehicle need not be equipped with or display a red light visible from in front of the vehicle. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-203.** Following emergency vehicles. No driver of any vehicle shall follow any authorized emergency vehicle apparently travelling in response to an emergency call closer than five hundred (500) feet or drive or park such vehicle within the block where fire apparatus has stopped in answer to a fire alarm. (1997 Code, § 15-203)
- **15-204.** Running over fire hoses, etc. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive over any hose lines or other equipment of the fire department except in obedience to the direction of a fireman or policeman. (1997 Code, § 15-204)

SPEED LIMITS

- 15-301. In general.
- 15-302. At intersections.
- 15-303. In school zones and near playgrounds.
- 15-304. In congested areas.
- **15-301.** <u>In general</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon any highway or street at a rate of speed in excess of thirty (30) miles per hour except where official signs have been posted indicating other speed limits, in which cases the posted speed limit shall apply. (1997 Code, § 15-301)
- 15-302. <u>At intersections</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle through any intersection at a rate of speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour unless such person is driving on a street regulated by traffic-control signals or signs which require traffic to stop or yield on the intersecting streets. (1997 Code, § 15-302)
- 15-303. <u>In school zones and near playgrounds</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle through any school zone or near any playground at a rate of speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour when official signs indicating such speed limit have been posted by authority of the municipality. This section shall not apply at times when children are not in the vicinity of a school and such posted signs have been covered by direction of the chief of police. (1997 Code, § 15-303)
- **15-304.** <u>In congested areas</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle through any congested area at a rate of speed in excess of any posted speed limit when such speed limit has been posted by authority of the municipality. (1997 Code, § 15-304)

TURNING MOVEMENTS

- 15-401. Signals.
- 15-402. Right turns.
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- 15-404. Left turns on other than two-way roadways.
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- **15-401.** <u>Signals</u>. No person operating a motor vehicle shall make any turning movement which might affect the operation of any other vehicle without first signaling his intention in accordance with the requirements of the state law. (1997 Code, § 15-401)
- 15-402. <u>Right turns</u>. Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn shall be made as close as practicable to the right hand curb or edge of the roadway. (1997 Code, § 15-402)
- 15-403. <u>Left turns on two-way roadways</u>. At any intersection where traffic is permitted to move in both directions on each roadway entering the intersection, an approach for a left turn shall be made in that portion of the right half of the roadway nearest the center line thereof and by passing to the right of the intersection of the center line of the two roadways. (1997 Code, § 15-403)
- 15-404. <u>Left turns on other than two-way roadways</u>. At any intersection where traffic is restricted to one direction on one or more of the roadways, the driver of a vehicle intending to turn left at any such intersection shall approach the intersection in the extreme left hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the direction of travel of such vehicle and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to leave the intersection, as nearly as practicable, in the left hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in such direction upon the roadway being entered. (1997 Code, § 15-404)
 - **15-405.** <u>U-turns</u>. U-turns are prohibited. (1997 Code, § 15-405)

¹State law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-8-143.

STOPPING AND YIELDING

- 15-501. When emerging from alleys, etc.
- 15-502. To prevent obstructing an intersection.
- 15-503. At railroad crossings.
- 15-504. At "stop" signs.
- 15-505. At "yield" signs.
- 15-506. At traffic-control signals generally.
- 15-507. At flashing traffic-control signals.
- 15-508. At pedestrian control signals.
- 15-509. Stops to be signaled.
- **15-501** When emerging from alleys, etc. The drivers of all vehicles emerging from alleys, parking lots, driveways, or buildings shall stop such vehicles immediately prior to driving onto any sidewalk or street. They shall not proceed to drive onto the sidewalk or street until they can safely do so without colliding or interfering with approaching pedestrians or vehicles. (1997 Code, § 15-502)
- 15-502 To prevent obstructing an intersection. No driver shall enter any intersection or marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of such intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle he is operating without obstructing the passage of traffic in or on the intersecting street or crosswalk. This provision shall be effective notwithstanding any traffic-control signal indication to proceed. (1997 Code, § 15-503)
- **15-503** <u>At railroad crossings</u>. Any driver of a vehicle approaching a railroad grade crossing shall stop within not less than fifteen (15) feet from the nearest rail of such railroad and shall not proceed further while any of the following conditions exist:
- (1) A clearly visible electrical or mechanical signal device gives warning of the approach of a railroad train.
- (2) A crossing gate is lowered or a human flagman signals the approach of a railroad train.
- (3) A railroad train is approaching within approximately fifteen hundred (1500) feet of the highway crossing and is emitting an audible signal indicating its approach.
- (4) An approaching railroad train is plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to the crossing. (1997 Code, § 15-504)

- **15-504** At "stop" signs. The driver of a vehicle facing a "stop" sign shall bring his vehicle to a complete stop immediately before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if there is no crosswalk, then immediately before entering the intersection, and shall remain standing until he can proceed through the intersection in safety. (1997 Code, § 15-505)
- 15-505 At "yield" signs. The drivers of all vehicles shall yield the right of way to approaching vehicles before proceeding at all places where "yield" signs have been posted. (1997 Code, § 15-506)
- **15-506** At traffic-control signals generally. Traffic-control signals exhibiting the words "Go," "Caution," or "Stop," or exhibiting different colored lights successively one at a time, or with arrows, shall show the following colors only and shall apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

(1) <u>Green alone, or "Go"</u>:

- (a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at such place prohibits such turn. But vehicular traffic, including vehicles turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time such signal is exhibited.
- (b) Pedestrians facing the signal may proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

(2) Steady yellow alone, or "Caution":

- (a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal is thereby warned that the red or "Stop" signal will be exhibited immediately thereafter, and such vehicular traffic shall not enter or be crossing the intersection when the red or "Stop" signal is exhibited.
- (b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(3) Steady red alone, or "Stop":

- (a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until green or "Go" is shown alone.
- (b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(4) Steady red with green arrow:

- (a) Vehicular traffic facing such signal may cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by such arrow but shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within a crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.
- (b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

- (5) In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this section shall be applicable except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application. Any stop required shall be made at a sign or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but in the absence of any such sign or marking the stop shall be made a vehicle length short of the signal. (1997 Code, § 15-507)
- **15-507** <u>At flashing traffic-control signals</u>. (1) Whenever an illuminated flashing red or yellow signal is used in a traffic sign or signal placed or erected by the municipality it shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:
 - (a) <u>Flashing red (stop signal)</u>. When a red lens is illuminated with intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked, or if none, then before entering the intersection, and the right to proceed shall be subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign.
 - (b) <u>Flashing yellow (caution signal)</u>. When a yellow lens is illuminated with intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection or past such signal only with caution.
- (2) This section shall not apply at railroad grade crossings. Conduct of drivers of vehicles approaching railroad grade crossings shall be governed by the rules set forth in § 15-504 of this code. (1997 Code, § 15-508)
- 15-508 <u>At pedestrian control signals</u>. Wherever special pedestrian control signals exhibiting the words "Walk" or "Wait" or "Don't Walk" have been placed or erected by the municipality, such signals shall apply as follows:
- (1) "Walk." Pedestrians facing such signal may proceed across the roadway in the direction of the signal and shall be given the right-of-way by the drivers of all vehicles.
- (2) "Wait or Don't Walk." No pedestrian shall start to cross the roadway in the direction of such signal, but any pedestrian who has partially completed his crossing on the walk signal shall proceed to the nearest sidewalk or safety zone while the wait signal is showing. (1997 Code, § 15-509)
- **15-509** Stops to be signaled. No person operating a motor vehicle shall stop such vehicle, whether in obedience to a traffic sign or signal or otherwise, without first signaling his intention in accordance with the requirements of the state law, except in an emergency. (1997 Code, § 15-510)

¹State law reference Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-8-143.

PARKING

SECTION

- 15-601. Generally.
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- 15-613. Parking of trucks on public streets.

15-601. Generally. Except as hereinafter provided, every vehicle parked upon a street within this municipality shall be so parked that its right wheels are approximately parallel to and within eighteen (18) inches of the right edge or curb of the street. On one-way streets where the municipality has not placed signs prohibiting the same, vehicles may be permitted to park on the left side of the street, and in such cases the left wheels shall be required to be within eighteen (18) inches of the left edge or curb of the street.

Notwithstanding anything else in this code to the contrary, no person shall park or leave a vehicle parked on any public street or alley within the fire limits between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 5:00 A.M. or on any other public street or alley for more than seventy-two (72) consecutive hours without the prior approval of the chief of police.

Furthermore, no person shall wash, grease, or work on any vehicle, except to make repairs necessitated by an emergency, while such vehicle is parked on a public street. (1997 Code, § 15-601)

- **15-602.** Angle parking. On those streets which have been signed or marked by the municipality for angle parking, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at the angle indicated by such signs or markings. No person shall angle park any vehicle which has a trailer attached thereto or which has a length in excess of twenty-four (24) feet. (1997 Code, § 15-602)
- **15-603.** Occupancy of more than one space. No person shall park a vehicle in any designated parking space so that any part of such vehicle occupies more than one such space or protrudes beyond the official markings on the

street or curb designating such space unless the vehicle is too large to be parked within a single designated space. (1997 Code, § 15-603)

- **15-604.** Where prohibited. No person shall park a vehicle in violation of any sign placed or erected by the municipality nor:
 - (1) On a sidewalk.
 - (2) In front of a public or private driveway.
 - (3) Within an intersection or within fifteen (15) feet thereof.
 - (4) Within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant.
 - (5) Within a pedestrian crosswalk.
 - (6) Within fifty (50) feet of a railroad crossing.
- (7) Within twenty (20) feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station, and on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station within seventy-five (75) feet of the entrance.
- (8) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when other traffic would be obstructed.
- (9) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street.
 - (10) Upon any bridge.
- (11) Alongside any curb painted yellow or red by the municipality. (1997 Code, § 15-604)
- **15-605.** Loading and unloading zones. No person shall park a vehicle for any purpose or period of time other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers or merchandise in any place marked by the municipality as a loading and unloading zone. (1997 Code, § 15-605)
- 15-606. <u>Regulation by parking meters</u>. In the absence of an official sign to the contrary which has been installed by the municipality, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M., on all days except Sundays and holidays declared by the governing body, parking shall be regulated by parking meters where the same have been installed by the municipality. The presumption shall be that all installed parking meters were lawfully installed by the municipality. (1997 Code, § 15-606)
- **15-607.** Lawful parking in parking meter spaces. Any parking space regulated by a parking meter may be lawfully occupied by a vehicle only after a proper coin has been deposited in the parking meter and the said meter has been activated or placed in operation in accordance with the instructions printed thereon. (1997 Code, § 15-607)
- **15-608.** <u>Unlawful parking in parking meter spaces</u>. It shall be unlawful for the owner or operator of any vehicle to park or allow his vehicle to be parked in a parking space regulated by a parking meter for more than the

maximum period of time which can be purchased at one time. Insertion of additional coin or coins in the meter to purchase additional time is unlawful.

No owner or operator of any vehicle shall park or allow his vehicle to be parked in such a space when the parking meter therefor indicates no parking time allowed, whether such indication is the result of a failure to deposit a coin or to operate the lever or other actuating device on the meter, or the result of the automatic operation of the meter following the expiration of the lawful parking time subsequent to depositing a coin therein at the time the vehicle was parked. (1997 Code, § 15-608)

- 15-609. <u>Unlawful to occupy more than one parking meter space</u>. It shall be unlawful for the owner or operator of any vehicle to park or allow his vehicle to be parked across any line or marking designating a parking meter space or otherwise so that such vehicle is not entirely within the designated parking meter space; provided, however, that vehicles which are too large to park within one space may be permitted to occupy two adjoining spaces provided proper coins are placed in both meters. (1997 Code, § 15-609)
- **15-610.** <u>Unlawful to deface or tamper with meters</u>. It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to open, deface, tamper with, willfully break, destroy, or impair the usefulness of any parking meter. (1997 Code, § 15-610)
- **15-611.** <u>Unlawful to deposit slugs in meters</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit in a parking meter any slug or other substitute for a coin of the United States. (1997 Code, § 15-611)
- **15-612.** Presumption with respect to illegal parking. When any unoccupied vehicle is found parked in violation of any provision of this chapter, there shall be a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of the vehicle is responsible for such illegal parking. (1997 Code, § 15-612)
- **15-613.** Parking of trucks on public streets. (1) No vehicle, truck, or truck tractor and trailer combination which exceeds forty (40) feet in length shall be parked on any public street or road within the corporate limits.
 - (2) The following are exceptions to this section:
 - (a) The temporary parking of trucks upon any street where necessary to the conduct of business.
 - (b) The operation of school buses, buses used to transport persons to and from a place of worship, and buses operated by public carriers licensed by the State of Tennessee.
 - (c) The parking of any privately owned recreational or travel vehicle or trailer, if such vehicle is parked at the residence of the owner. (1997 Code, § 15-613)

ENFORCEMENT

- 15-701. Issuance of traffic citations.
- 15-702. Failure to obey citation.
- 15-703. Illegal parking.
- 15-704. Impoundment of vehicles.
- 15-705. Deposit of license in lieu of bail.
- 15-706. Motorcycles.
- 15-707. Violation and penalty.
- **15-701.** <u>Issuance of traffic citations</u>. When a police officer halts a traffic violator other than for the purpose of giving a warning, and does not take such person into custody under arrest, he shall take the name, address, and operator's license number of said person, the license number of the motor vehicle involved, and such other pertinent information as may be necessary, and shall issue to him a written traffic citation containing a notice to answer to the charge against him in the town court at a specified time. The officer, upon receiving the written promise of the alleged violator to answer as specified in the citation, shall release such person from custody. (1997 Code, § 15-701)
- **15-702.** <u>Failure to obey citation</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate his written promise to appear in court after giving said promise to an officer upon the issuance of a traffic citation, regardless of the disposition of the charge for which the citation was originally issued. (1997 Code, § 15-702)
- 15-703. <u>Illegal parking</u>. Whenever any motor vehicle without a driver is found parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed by this code, the officer finding such vehicle shall take its license number and may take any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its user, and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle a citation for the driver and/or owner to answer for the violation within ten (10) days during the hours and at a place specified in the citation. (1997 Code, § 15-703)
- **15-704.** <u>Impoundment of vehicles</u>. Members of the police department are hereby authorized, when reasonably necessary to prevent obstruction of traffic, to remove from the streets and impound any vehicle whose operator is arrested, or any vehicle which is illegally parked, abandoned, or otherwise

¹State law reference

<u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 7-63-101, et seq.

parked so as to constitute an obstruction or hazard to normal traffic. Any vehicle left parked on any street or alley for more than seventy-two (72) consecutive hours without permission from the chief of police shall be presumed to have been abandoned if the owner cannot be located after a reasonable investigation. Such an impounded vehicle shall be stored until the owner claims it, gives satisfactory evidence of ownership, and pays all applicable fines and costs. The fee for impounding a vehicle shall be five dollars (\$5.00) and a storage cost of one dollar (\$1.00) per day shall also be charged. (1997 Code, § 15-704)

- 15-705. Deposit of license in lieu of bail. (1) Whenever any person lawfully possessed of a driver's license theretofore issued to him by the Tennessee Department of Safety, or under the driver licensing laws of any other state or territory or the District of Columbia, is issued a citation or arrested and charged with a violation of any municipal ordinance regulating traffic, except those ordinances and statutes the violation of which call for the mandatory revocation of a driver's license for any period of time, within the corporate limits of the Town of Englewood or the jurisdiction of its law enforcement agencies, such person shall have the option of depositing his driver's license with the officer or court demanding bail in lieu of any other security required for his appearance in any court of the Town of Englewood in answer to such charge before the court.
- (2) Whenever any person deposits his driver's license as provided, either the officer or the court demanding bail shall issue said person a receipt for said license upon a form approved or provided by the department of safety, and thereafter said person shall be permitted to operate a motor vehicle upon the public highways of this state during the pendency of the case in which the license was deposited.
- (3) The clerk or judge of the court accepting the license shall thereafter forward to the department of safety the license of a driver deposited in lieu of bail if the driver fails to appear and answer to the charge filed against him and which license shall not be released by the department of safety until the charge for which such license was so deposited has been disposed of by the court in which pending.
- (4) The provisions of this section are in addition to any other provisions of the municipal code and are implemented as an alternative procedure to the other provisions of the code for the purpose of securing the appearance of defendants cited for violations of the municipal code. (Ord. #01-08-07-78, March 2007)
- **15-706.** <u>Motorcycles</u>. (1) All of the restrictions, requirements and violations enumerated in this title shall be applicable to all motorcycles (as defined in <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 55, chapters 1 and 4) operated within the corporate limits.

- (2) <u>Helmet required for driver and passenger</u>. The driver of a motorized bicycle, motorcycle or motor-driven cycle and any passengers thereon shall be required to wear a crash helmet of a type approved by the commission of safety. (1997 Code, § 15-706)
- **15-707.** <u>Violation and penalty</u>. Any violation of this title shall be a civil offense punishable as follows: (1) <u>Traffic citations</u>. Traffic citations shall be punishable by a civil penalty up to seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for each separate offense.
 - (2) <u>Parking citations</u>. (a) <u>Parking meter</u>. If the offense is a parking meter violation, the offender may, within ten (10) days, have the charge against him disposed of by paying to the town recorder a fine of one dollar (\$1.00) provided he waives his right to a judicial hearing. If he appears and waives his right to a judicial hearing after ten (10) days but before a warrant for his arrest is issued, his fine shall be three dollars (\$3.00).
 - (b) Other parking violations. For other parking violations, the offender may similarly waive his right to a judicial hearing and have the charges disposed of out of court, but the fine shall be ten dollars (\$10.00). (1997 Code, § 15-707)

GOLF CARTS AND LOW SPEED MOTOR VEHICLES

SECTION

- 15-801. Findings; definition.
- 15-802. Registration/requirements.
- 15-803. Operation regulations.
- 15-804. Liability.
- 15-805. Penalties.

15-801. <u>Findings; definition</u>. The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee finds that all streets located within the territorial boundaries of the Town of Englewood and under its jurisdiction are designed and constructed so as to safely permit their use by operators of motorized carts and low speed motor vehicles (LSMV), except as stated elsewhere in this chapter. "Motorized carts" are defined as those electric and gasoline-powered pleasure carts, commonly called golf carts, which do not exceed twenty (20) miles per hour. "LSMVs" are defined as those four-wheeled vehicles whose top speed exceeds twenty (20) miles per hour but does not exceed twenty-five (25) miles per hour and which possess some mechanical, electrical or similar system other than merely decreased pressure on the accelerator wherein the vehicle's top speed can be prohibited from exceeding twenty (20) miles per hour by the operator. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-55, Aug. 2010)

15-802. Registration/requirements. (1) Motorized carts. It shall be the duty of every owner of a motorized cart that is operated over public streets and those areas accessible by the public to register the cart with the Town of Englewood, Tennessee within ten (10) business days of the date of purchase. A numerical decal shall be issued upon registration; and a record of each motorized cart number, along with the name and address of the owner, year, make, serial number and color of cart shall be maintained by the police department. The decal must be affixed to the cart in such a manner as to be fully visible at all times. The registration fee for motorized carts owned by city residents shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00), and the registration shall be effective until July 1 each year or until such time cart is sold or otherwise disposed of. This registration/user fee shall be prorated for carts purchased after July 1 of the first calendar year of ownership, unless the registrant had previously paid the registration/user fee the same calendar year, in which case a one (1) time transfer fee of five dollars (\$5.00) would be applicable. An annual registration/ user fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged to nonresidents of the city. The nonresident fee shall be effective until July 1 each year or until such time as the cart is sold or otherwise disposed of. This nonresident registration/ user fee shall be prorated for carts purchased after July 1 of the first calendar

year of ownership, unless the nonresident had previously paid the registration/ user fee the same calendar year, in which case a one (1) time transfer fee of five dollars (\$5.00) would be applicable.

- (2) <u>LSMV</u>. No LSMV shall be operated on the public streets located within the territorial boundaries of the Town of Englewood unless it is legally registered with the town.
- (3) Every cart shall at all times be equipped with an exhaust system in good working order and in constant operation, meeting the following specifications:
 - (a) The exhaust system shall include the piping leading from the flange of the exhaust manifold to and including the muffler and exhaust pipes or include any and all parts specified by the manufacturer.
 - (b) The exhaust system and its elements shall be securely fastened, including the consideration of missing or broken brackets or hangers.
 - (c) The engine and powered mechanism of every cart shall be equipped, adjusted and tuned as to prevent the escape of excessive smoke or fumes.
- (4) It shall be unlawful for the owner of any cart to operate or permit the operation of such cart on which any device controlling or abating atmospheric emissions, which is placed on a cart by the manufacturer, to render the device unserviceable by removal, alteration or which interferes with its operation.
- (5) Rental carts. Cart dealers and distributors, as well as other commercial establishments, may rent carts to the public for use on the public streets and those areas accessible by the public of the city. Each such establishment renting carts shall be required to register each such rental cart in accordance with subsections (1) and (2) of this section and shall maintain a written record of each person who rents each cart. Renters shall be required to furnish positive identification, shall be provided a copy of this chapter to read, and must be at least sixteen (16) years of age and possess a valid driver's license. The registration fee and transfer fees and regulations shall be the same as those in subsections (1) and (2).
- (6) Age, number of registrants limited. Only those persons eighteen (18) years of age or older may register a motorized cart. Cart registration may be in one (1) person's name only, and the registration form must be signed by that person. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-55, Aug. 2010)
- **15-803.** Operation regulations. (1) Those persons who are sixteen (16) years of age and older may drive a motorized cart on the public streets and those areas accessible by the public of the city unless such person has had his or her license to operate a motor vehicle suspended or revoked by the state which issued said license in which case such person shall not be permitted to operate

a motorized cart on the public streets and those areas accessible by the public of the town during the time of suspension or revocation.

- (2) Those persons who are fifteen (15) years of age but not yet sixteen (16) years of age may drive a motorized cart on the public streets and those areas accessible by the public of the town. This person must have in his or her possession valid learners permit issued by the State of Tennessee and be accompanied in the front seat by a person at least eighteen (18) years of age who holds a valid driver's license.
- (3) All operators shall abide by all traffic regulations applicable to vehicular traffic when using the public streets and those areas accessible by the public in the town. All golf carts must have functioning brake lights, head lights and seat belt restraints.
 - (4) Motorized carts shall not be operated on sidewalks at any time.
- (5) Motorized carts may be operated over those authorized public streets and those areas accessible by the public only during daylight hours unless such motorized carts are equipped with functional headlights and taillights.
- (6) No motorized cart shall be permitted to operate over, along, or across Highway 411 or Highway 39 unless specified by crosswalk signs.
- (7) It shall be unlawful for the owner of any motorized cart or LSMV or any other person operating, employing, permitting the use of or otherwise directing the use of such motorized cart or LSMV to operate or permit the operator on any motorized cart or LSMV to drive over the public streets or those areas accessible by the public in the city in violation of this chapter.
- (8) No LSMV shall be permitted to operate on any street of which the posted speed limit exceeds thirty-five (35) miles per hour. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-55, Aug. 2010)
- **15-804.** <u>Liability</u>. Each person using a public street is liable for his or her own actions. Liability insurance coverage varies, and each person operating a golf cart on the public streets and those areas accessible by the public land should verify their coverage. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-55, Aug. 2010)
- **15-805. Penalties**. (1) Any person who violates the terms of this chapter shall be punished as provided in this section.
- (2) Any violations of regulations set forth in this chapter shall be charged against the registered owner of the motorized cart, and all fines and penalties shall be levied against the registered owner of the motorized cart. All fines and penalties shall be set by the town judge.
- (3) All motorized carts and LSMVs shall obey all state and local motor vehicle laws. Any violation of state or local motor laws shall be charged against the operator of the motorized cart or LSMV. All fines and penalties shall be levied according to state and local law. (as added by Ord. #08-09-10-55, Aug. 2010)

TITLE 16

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, ETC.¹

CHAPTER

- 1. MISCELLANEOUS.
- 2. EXCAVATIONS AND CUTS.

CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

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- 16-101. Obstructing streets, alleys, or sidewalks prohibited.
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- 16-107. Littering streets, alleys, or sidewalks prohibited.
- 16-108. Obstruction of drainage ditches.
- 16-109. Abutting occupants to keep sidewalks clean, etc.
- 16-110. Parades regulated.
- 16-111. Animals and vehicles on sidewalks.
- 16-112. Fires in streets, etc.
- **16-101.** Obstructing streets, alleys, or sidewalks prohibited. No person shall use or occupy any portion of any public street, alley, sidewalk, or right of way for the purpose of storing, selling, or exhibiting any goods, wares, merchandise, or materials. (1997 Code, § 16-101)
- **16-102.** Trees projecting over streets, etc., regulated. It shall be unlawful for any property owner or occupant to allow any limbs of trees on his property to project out over any street, alley or sidewalk at a height of less than fourteen (14) feet. (1997 Code, § 16-102)
- 16-103. <u>Trees, etc., obstructing view at intersections prohibited</u>. It shall be unlawful for any property owner or occupant to have or maintain on his property any tree, hedge, billboard, or other obstruction which prevents

Related motor vehicle and traffic regulations: title 15.

¹Municipal code reference

persons driving vehicles on public streets or alleys from obtaining a clear view of traffic when approaching an intersection. (1997 Code, § 16-103)

- **16-104.** Projecting signs and awnings, etc., restricted. Signs, awnings, or other structures which project over any street or other public way shall be erected subject to the requirements of the building code. (1997 Code, § 16-104)
- 16-105. <u>Banners and signs across streets and alleys restricted</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to place or have placed any banner or sign across any public street or alley except when expressly authorized by the governing body. (1997 Code, § 16-105)
- 16-106. Gates or doors opening over streets, alleys, or sidewalks prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person owning or occupying property to allow any gate or door to swing open upon or over any street, alley, or sidewalk. (1997 Code, § 16-106)
- 16-107. <u>Littering streets, alleys, or sidewalks prohibited</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to litter, place, throw, or allow to fall on any street, alley, or sidewalk any refuse, glass, tacks, or other objects or materials which are unsightly or which obstruct or tend to limit or interfere with the use of such public ways and places for their intended purposes. (1997 Code, § 16-107)
- **16-108.** Obstruction of drainage ditches. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit or cause the obstruction of any drainage ditch in any public right of way. (1997 Code, § 16-108)
- 16-109. <u>Abutting occupants to keep sidewalks clean, etc.</u> The occupants of property abutting on a sidewalk are required to keep the sidewalk clean. Also, immediately after a snow or sleet, such occupants are required to remove all accumulated snow and ice from the abutting sidewalk. (1997 Code, § 16-109)
- 16-110. <u>Parades regulated</u>. It shall be unlawful for any club, organization, or similar group to hold any meeting, parade, demonstration, or exhibition on the public streets without some responsible representative first securing a permit from the recorder. No permit shall be issued by the recorder unless such activity will not unreasonably interfere with traffic and unless such representative shall agree to see to the immediate cleaning up of all litter which

¹Municipal code reference

Building code: title 12, chapter 1.

shall be left on the streets as a result of the activity. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful for any person obtaining such a permit to fail to carry out his agreement to immediately clean up the resulting litter. (1997 Code, § 16-110)

- **16-111.** Animals and vehicles on sidewalks. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, lead, or tie any animal, or ride, push, pull, or place any vehicle across or upon any sidewalk in such manner as to unreasonably interfere with or inconvenience pedestrians using the sidewalk. It shall also be unlawful for any person to knowingly allow any minor under his control to violate this section. (1997 Code, § 16-112)
- **16-112.** <u>Fires in streets, etc</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to set or contribute to any fire in any public street, alley, or sidewalk. (1997 Code, § 16-113)

EXCAVATIONS AND CUTS¹

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- 16-201. Permit required.
- 16-202. Applications.
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- 16-204. Deposit or bond.
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- 16-206. Restoration of streets, etc.
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16-201. Permit required. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, association, or others, to make any excavation in any street, alley, or public place, or to tunnel under any street, alley, or public place without having first obtained a permit as herein required, and without complying with the provisions of this chapter; and it shall also be unlawful to violate, or vary from, the terms of any such permit; provided, however, any person maintaining pipes, lines, or other underground facilities in or under the surface of any street may proceed with an opening without a permit when emergency circumstances demand the work to be done immediately and a permit cannot reasonably and practicably be obtained beforehand. The person shall thereafter apply for a permit on the first regular business day on which the office of the recorder is open for business, and said permit shall be retroactive to the date when the work was begun. (1997 Code, § 16-201)

16-202. <u>Applications</u>. Applications for such permits shall be made to the recorder, or such person as he may designate to receive such applications, and shall state thereon the location of the intended excavation or tunnel, the size thereof, the purpose thereof, the person, firm, corporation, association, or others doing the actual excavating, the name of the person, firm, corporation, association, or others for whom the work is being done, and shall contain an agreement that the applicant will comply with all ordinances and laws relating

¹State law reference

This chapter was patterned substantially after the ordinance upheld by the Tennessee Supreme Court in the case of <u>City of Paris</u>, <u>Tennessee v. Paris-Henry County Public Utility District</u>, 207 Tenn. 388, 340 S.W.2d 885 (1960).

to the work to be done. Such application shall be rejected or approved by the recorder within twenty-four (24) hours of its filing. (1997 Code, § 16-202)

- 16-203. <u>Fee</u>. The fee for such permits shall be two dollars (\$2.00) for excavations which do not exceed twenty-five (25) square feet in area or tunnels not exceeding twenty-five (25) feet in length; and twenty-five cents (\$.25) for each additional square foot in the case of excavations, or lineal foot in the case of tunnels; but not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for any permit. (1997 Code, § 16-203)
- 16-204. Deposit or bond. No such permit shall be issued unless and until the applicant therefor has deposited with the recorder a cash deposit in the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), if no pavement is involved, and seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) if the excavation is in a paved area, to insure the proper restoration of the ground and laying of the pavement, if any, except that where the amount of the deposit is clearly inadequate to cover the cost of restoration, the recorder may increase the amount of the deposit to an amount considered by him to be adequate to cover the cost. From this deposit shall be deducted the expense to the municipality of relaying the surface of the ground or pavement, and of making the refill if this is done by the municipality or at its expense. The balance shall be returned to the applicant without interest after the tunnel or excavation is completely refilled and the surface or pavement is restored.

In lieu of a deposit the applicant may deposit with the recorder a surety bond in such form and amount as the recorder shall deem adequate to cover the costs to the municipality if the applicant fails to make proper restoration. (1997 Code, § 16-204)

- 16-205. Manner of excavating--barricades and lights--temporary sidewalks. Any person, firm, corporation, association, or others making any excavation or tunnel shall do so according to the terms and conditions of the application and permit authorizing the work to be done. Sufficient and proper barricades and lights shall be maintained to protect persons and property from injury by or because of the excavation being made. If any sidewalk is blocked by any such work, a temporary sidewalk shall be constructed and provided which shall be safe for travel and convenient for users. (1997 Code, § 16-205)
- **16-206.** Restoration of streets, etc. Any person, firm, corporation, association, or others making any excavation or tunnel in or under any street, alley, or public place in this municipality shall restore said street, alley, or public place to its original condition except for the surfacing, which shall be done by the municipality, but shall be paid for by such person, firm, corporation, association, or others promptly upon the completion of the work for which the excavation or tunnel was made. In case of unreasonable delay in restoring the street, alley, or public place, the recorder shall give notice to the person, firm,

corporation, association, or others that unless the excavation or tunnel is refilled properly within a specified reasonable period of time, the municipality will do the work and charge the expense of doing the same to such person, firm, corporation, association, or others. If within the specified time the conditions of the above notice have not been complied with, the work shall be done by the municipality, an accurate account of the expense involved shall be kept, and the total cost shall be charged to the person, firm, corporation, association, or others who made the excavation or tunnel. (1997 Code, § 16-206)

- **16-207. Insurance**. In addition to making the deposit or giving the bond hereinbefore required to insure that proper restoration is made, each person applying for an excavation permit shall file a certificate of insurance indicating that he is insured against claims for damages for personal injury as well as against claims for property damage which may arise from or out of the performance of the work, whether such performance be by himself, his subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by him. Such insurance shall cover collapse, explosive hazards, and underground work by equipment on the street, and shall include protection against liability arising from completed operations. The amount of the insurance shall be prescribed by the recorder in accordance with the nature of the risk involved; provided, however, that the liability insurance shall not be less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) for bodily injury or death of any one (1) person in any one (1) accident, occurrence or act, and not less than seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000.00) for bodily injury or death of all persons in any one (1) accident, occurrence or act, and one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for injury or destruction of property of others in any one (1) accident, occurrence, or act. (1997 Code, § 16-207, modified)
- 16-208. <u>Time limits</u>. Each application for a permit shall state the length of time it is estimated will elapse from the commencement of the work until the restoration of the surface of the ground or pavement, or until the refill is made ready for the pavement to be put on by the municipality if the municipality restores such surface pavement. It shall be unlawful to fail to comply with this time limitation unless permission for an extension of time is granted by the recorder. (1997 Code, § 16-208)
- **16-209.** <u>Supervision</u>. The recorder shall from time to time inspect all excavations and tunnels being made in or under any public street, alley, or other public place in the municipality and see to the enforcement of the provisions of this chapter. Notice shall be given to him at least ten (10) hours before the work of refilling any such excavation or tunnel commences. (1997 Code, § 16-209)
- **16-210.** <u>Driveway curb cuts</u>. No one shall cut, build, or maintain a driveway across a curb or sidewalk without first obtaining a permit from the

recorder. Such a permit will not be issued when the contemplated driveway is to be so located or constructed as to create an unreasonable hazard to pedestrian and/or vehicular traffic. No driveway shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in width at its outer or street edge and when two (2) or more adjoining driveways are provided for the same property a safety island of not less than ten (10) feet in width at its outer or street edge shall be provided. Driveway aprons shall not extend out into the street. (1997 Code, § 16-210)

TITLE 17

REFUSE AND TRASH DISPOSAL¹

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GARBAGE PICKUP

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- 17-106. Garage rates.
- 17-107. Violations and penalty.
- 17-101. <u>Materials the town will not pick up</u>. The Town of Englewood will pick up residential garbage once per week for all residents in the town. Garbage must be placed on the curb of the street. The town will only accept household garbage. Containers must not exceed thirty-five (35) gallons with a limit of two (2) containers only. (1997 Code, § 17-101, as replaced by Ord. #04-12-10-49, April 2010)
- 17-102. <u>Residential garbage</u>. The Town of Englewood will pick up residential garbage once per week for all residents in the town. Garbage must be placed on the curb of the street. Containers must not exceed thirty-five (35) gallons. (1997 Code, § 17-102, as amended by Ord. #11-12-07-86, Nov. 2007, and Ord. #04-12-10-49, April 2010)
- 17-103. <u>Business garbage</u>. The town will pick up the garbage of all businesses within the town twice per week. (1997 Code, § 17-103)
- 17-104. <u>Premises to be kept clean</u>. All persons within the town are required to keep their premises in a clean and sanitary condition, free from accumulations of refuse except when stored as provided in this chapter. (1997 Code, § 17-104)

Property maintenance regulations: title 13.

¹Municipal code reference

- 17-105. Storage. Each owner, occupant, or other responsible person using or occupying any building or other premises within the town where refuse accumulates or is likely to accumulate, shall provide and keep covered an adequate number of refuse containers. The refuse containers shall be strong, durable, and rodent and insect proof. They shall each have a capacity of not less than twenty (20) nor more than thirty-five (35) gallons. No refuse shall be placed in a refuse container until such refuse has been drained of all free liquids. Tree trimmings, hedge clippings, and similar materials shall be cut to a length not to exceed four (4) feet and shall be securely tied in individual bundles weighing not more than seventy-five (75) pounds each and being not more than two (2) feet thick before being deposited for collection. (1997 Code, § 17-105, as amended by Ord. #04-12-10-49, April 2010)
- **17-106.** Garbage rates. Garbage rates for business and residential will be set by the mayor and board of commissioners on or before July 1st of each year. (1997 Code, § 17-106)
- 17-107. <u>Violations and penalty</u>. Violations of this chapter shall be punishable under the general penalty provision of this code. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense. (1997 Code, § 17-107)

TITLE 18

WATER AND SEWERS¹

CHAPTER

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Building, utility and housing codes: title 12.

Refuse disposal: title 17.

¹Municipal code references

- 18-123. Damages to property due to water pressure.
- 18-124. Liability for cutoff failures.
- 18-125. Restricted use of water.
- 18-126. Interruption of service.
- 18-127. Schedule of rates.
- **18-101.** <u>Application and scope</u>. These rules and regulations are a part of all contracts for receiving water service from the town and shall apply whether the service is based upon contract, agreement, signed application, or otherwise. (1997 Code, § 18-101)
- **18-102.** <u>Definitions</u>. (1) "Customer" means any person, firm, or corporation who receives water service from the town under either an express or implied contract.
- (2) "Household" means any two (2) or more persons living together as a family group.
- (3) "Service line" shall consist of the pipe line extending from any water main of the town to private property. Where a meter and meter box are located on private property, the service line shall be construed to include the pipe line extending from the town's water main to and including the meter and meter box.
- (4) "Discount date" shall mean the date ten (10) days after the date of a bill, except when some other date is provided by contract. The discount date is the last date upon which water bills can be paid at net rates.
- (5) "Dwelling" means any single structure, with auxiliary buildings, occupied by one or more persons or households for residential purposes.
- (6) "Premise" means any structure or group of structures operated as a single business or enterprise, provided, however, the term "premise" shall not include more than one (1) dwelling. (1997 Code, § 18-102)
- **18-103.** <u>Obtaining service</u>. A formal application for either original or additional service must be made and be approved by the town before connection or meter installation orders will be issued and work performed. A twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) service charge is required with application.

Each customer shall deposit one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) as security for the prompt payment of all accounts of the subscriber with the system, which deposit shall be returned to the subscriber and/or transferred to a new account upon termination of the services if all charges due the system shall have been paid, but in the event that the subscriber shall become in arrears in such charges, then such deposit shall be used in whole or in part, in liquidation of same, and the deposit by the subscriber shall be his consent to such use in such an event. All such deposits shall be retained in a separate account to be accounted for at the termination of service, except in the case of a subscriber becoming in arrears in charges, at which time the deposit may be

withdrawn from the special account and applied to the payment of the delinquent charge. There shall not be two (2) active accounts with one (1) deposit. If a subscriber shall request to have a deposit transferred, then the final readings will be accounted for, and the final bill paid at which time the new account may be made active. (1997 Code, § 18-103, modified, as amended by Ord. #11-08-10-57, Nov.2010)

18-104. <u>Application and contract for service</u>. Each prospective customer desiring water service will be required to sign a standard form contract before service is supplied. If, for any reason, a customer, after signing a contract for service, does not take such service by reason of not occupying the premises or otherwise, he shall reimburse the town for the expense incurred by reason of its endeavor to furnish said service.

The receipt of a prospective customer's application for service, regardless of whether or not accompanied by a deposit, shall not obligate the town to render the service applied for. If the service applied for cannot be supplied in accordance with these rules, regulations, and general practice, the liability of the municipality to the applicant for such service shall be limited to the return of any deposit made by such applicant. (1997 Code, § 18-104)

- **18-105.** Service charges for temporary service. Customers requiring temporary service shall pay all costs for connection and disconnection incidental to the supplying and removing of service in addition to the regular charge for water used. (1997 Code, § 18-105)
- **18-106.** <u>Connection charges</u>. Service line will be laid by the town from the water main to the property line at the expense of the applicant for service. The location of such lines will be determined by the town.

For each connection to the water mains, the person or firm applying for service shall pay to the town a tapping fee of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00) for connection inside or outside the town limits. For taps that are over three-fourths inch (3/4") there will a cost plus ten percent (10%) increase. The location of the lines will be determined by the town.

When a service line is completed, the town shall be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of such service line from the main to and including the meter and meter box, and such portion of the service line shall belong to the town. The remaining portion of the service line beyond the meter box shall belong to and be the responsibility of the customer.

There will be a bore charge in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). (1997 Code, § 18-106, modified, as replaced by Ord. #08-11-08-05, Sept. 2008, and Ord. #11-09-09-47, Nov. 2009)

18-107. Main extensions to developed areas. The provisions of this section shall apply only to water main extensions of five hundred (500) feet or

less to areas where there is a demand for water service by the occupants of existing houses. This section shall in no event be applicable to land development projects and subdivision promotion, even though accompanied by the erection of occasional houses within such areas.

Owners of property to be served by a proposed water main extension of the character to which this section applies shall pay to the town the regular charge for each connection desired immediately and shall also assume one minimum monthly bill for each one hundred (100) feet, or fraction thereof, of said proposed extension, the connection charge to be paid and the agreement to pay minimum monthly bills to be signed before the work is begun. The town shall require a cash deposit as security for such minimum bill agreement, in an amount that does not exceed the estimated cost of the main extension, before making any such requested extension. Beginning with the completion of the water main extension, such persons shall pay water bills at least equal to the minimum monthly charges agreed upon, until the obligation for the payment of such minimum monthly water bills shall have been assumed by other persons acceptable to the town at which times pro rata amounts of the cash deposit shall also be returned to the depositors. (1997 Code, § 18-107)

18-108. <u>Main extensions to other areas</u>. The provisions of this section shall apply to all areas to which the preceding section is not applicable. Customers desiring water main extensions pursuant to this section must pay all of the cost of making such extensions.

For installations under this or the preceding section cement-lined cast iron pipe, class 150 American Water Works Associations Standard, not less than six inches in diameter shall be used to the dead end of any line and to form loops or continuous lines, so that fire hydrants may be placed on such lines at locations no farther than one thousand (1,000) feet from the most distant part of any dwelling structure and no farther than six hundred (600) feet from the most distant part of any commercial, industrial or public building, such measurements to be based on road or street distances; cement-lined cast iron pipe two inches in diameter, to supply dwellings only, may be used to supplement such lines. All such lines shall be installed either by town forces or by other forces working directly under the supervision of the municipality.

Upon completion of such extensions and their approval by the town, such water mains shall become the property of the municipality. The persons paying the cost of constructing such mains shall execute any written instruments requested by the town to provide evidence of the town's title to such mains. In consideration of such mains being transferred to it, the town shall incorporate said mains as an integral part of the town water system and shall furnish water therefrom in accordance with these rules and regulations, subject always to such limitations as may exist because of the size and elevation of said mains. As further consideration, the town shall repay to the person or persons paying the cost of such a water main extension, for a period of five years, but no longer,

from the date of completion of said extension the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each connection that is made to such main extension; provided, however, that the total payments shall in no event exceed the cost of the said extension paid by such person or persons. Provided also, that before making any such payment the town shall have the right to require that the customer making the connection in question shall sign a contract for water service for a period of time to be fixed by the town, but not to exceed three years.

No repayment shall be made for service line connections not made directly to the water main extension in question, even though such service line connections are made to a main extended from, or receiving water through, the main extension in question. (1997 Code, § 18-108)

18-109. <u>Variances from and effect of preceding rules as to extensions</u>. Whenever the board of commissioners is of the opinion that it is to the best interest of the water system to construct a water main extension without requiring strict compliance with §§ 18-107 and 18-108, such extension may be constructed upon such terms and conditions as shall be approved by a majority of the members of the board of commissioners.

The authority to make water main extensions under §§ 18-107 and 18-108 is permissive only and nothing contained therein shall be construed as requiring the town to make water main extensions or to furnish service to any person or persons. (1997 Code, § 18-109)

18-110. <u>Meters</u>. All meters shall be installed, tested, repaired, and removed only by the town.

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to tamper with or change any water meter, or to make any connection to the water or sewer systems without permission from the town, or to reconnect service, when it shall have been disconnected for nonpayment of a bill for service, until such bill shall have been paid in full, including the reconnection fee. (1997 Code, § 18-110)

18-111. <u>Meter tests</u>. The municipality will, at its own expense, make routine tests of meters when it considers such tests desirable.

In testing meters, the water passing through a meter will be weighed or measured at various rates of discharge and under varying pressures. To be considered accurate, the meter registration shall check with the weighed or measured amounts of water within the percentage shown in the following table:

<u>Meter Size</u> <u>Percentage</u> 5/8", 3/4", 1", 2" <u>2%</u>

The town will also make tests or inspections of its meters at the request of the customer. However, if a test requested by a customer shows a meter to be accurate within the limits stated above, the customer shall pay a meter testing charge in the amount stated in the following table:

Meter Size	<u>Test Charge</u>
5/8", 3/4", 1"	\$25.00
1-1/2", 2"	75.00

If such test shows a meter not to be accurate within such limits, the cost of such meter test shall be borne by the town. (1997 Code, § 18-111)

18-112. <u>Multiple services through a single meter</u>. No customer shall supply water service to more than one (1) dwelling or premise from a single service line and meter without first obtaining the written permission of the town.

Where the town allows more than one (1) dwelling or premise to be served through a single service line and meter, the amount of water used by all the dwellings and premises served through a single service line and meter shall be allocated to each separate dwelling or premise served. The water charge for each such dwelling or premise thus served shall be computed just as if each such dwelling or premise had received through a separately metered service the amount of water so allocated to it, such computation to be made at the town's applicable water rates schedule, including the provisions as to minimum bills. The separate charges for each dwelling or premise served through a single service line and meter shall then be added together, and the sum thereof shall be billed to the customer in whose name the service is supplied. (1997 Code, § 18-112)

18-113. <u>Billing</u>. Bills for residential service will be rendered monthly. Bills for commercial and industrial service may be rendered weekly, semimonthly, or monthly, at the option of the town.

If any bill for water or sewer service shall be and remain due and unpaid for as long as fifteen (15) days after rendition, there shall be an additional charge of ten percent (10%) added thereto.

If any bill for water shall be and remain past due and unpaid for as long as thirty days, water service, to such delinquent customer shall be disconnected and shall not be reconnected until all past due bills shall have been paid in full, together with a reconnection charge as follows:

- (1) Monday Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. \$35.00
- (2) Monday Friday from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. \$35.00
- (3) Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. \$50.00

It shall be the duty of the superintendent of the system to notify the operator of the system of such delinquency, who shall proceed immediately to the premises of the customer so in arrears and disconnect service. Should the final date of payment of bill at the net rate fall on Sunday or a holiday, the business day next following the final date will be the last day to obtain the net rate. A net remittance received by mail after the time limit for payment at the net rate will be accepted by the town if the envelope is date-stamped on or before the final date for payment of the net amount.

If a meter fails to register properly, or if a meter is removed to be tested or repaired, or if water is received other than through a meter, the town reserves the right to render an estimated bill based on the best information available. (1997 Code, § 18-113, modified)

- **18-114.** <u>Discontinuance or refusal of service</u>. The board of commissioners shall have the right to discontinue service or to refuse to connect service for a violation of, or a failure to comply with, any of the following:
 - (1) These rules and regulations.
 - (2) The customer's application for service.
 - (3) The customer's contract for service.

Such right to discontinue service shall apply to all service received through a single connection or service, even though more than one (1) customer or tenant is furnished service therefrom, and even though the delinquency or violation is limited to only one such customer or tenant.

Discontinuance of service by the town for any cause stated in these rules and regulations shall not release the customer from liability for service already received or from liability for payments that thereafter become due under other provisions of the customer's contract. (1997 Code, § 18-114)

18-115. <u>Termination of service by customer</u>. Customers who have fulfilled their contract terms and wish to discontinue service must give at least three (3) days written notice to that effect unless the contract specifies otherwise. Notice to discontinue service prior to the expiration of a contract term will not relieve the customer from any minimum or guaranteed payment under such contract or applicable rate schedule.

When service is being furnished to an occupant of premises under a contract not in the occupant's name, the town reserves the right to impose the following conditions on the right of the customer to discontinue service under such a contract:

(1) Written notice of the customer's desire for such service to be discontinued may be required; and the town shall have the right to continue such service for a period of not to exceed ten (10) days after receipt of such written notice, during which time the customer shall be responsible for all charges for such service. If the town should continue service after such ten (10) day period subsequent to the receipt of the customer's written notice to discontinue service, the customer shall not be responsible for charges for any service furnished after the expiration of the ten (10) day period.

- (2) During the ten (10) day period, or thereafter, the occupant of premises to which service has been ordered discontinued by a customer other than such occupant, may be allowed by the town to enter into a contract for service in the occupant's own name upon the occupant's complying with these rules and regulations with respect to a new application for service. (1997 Code, § 18-115)
- 18-116. Access to customers' premises. The town's identified representatives and employees shall be granted access to all customers' premises at all reasonable times for the purpose of reading meters, for testing, inspecting, repairing, removing, and replacing all equipment belonging to the town, and for inspecting customers' plumbing and premises generally in order to secure compliance with these rules and regulations. (1997 Code, § 18-116)
- **18-117.** <u>Inspections</u>. The town shall have the right, but shall not be obligated, to inspect any installation or plumbing system before water service is furnished or at any later time. The town reserves the right to refuse service or to discontinue service to any premises not meeting standards fixed by this code regulating building and plumbing, or not in accordance with any special contract, these rules and regulations, or other requirements of the town.

Any failure to inspect or reject a customer's installation or plumbing system shall not render the town liable or responsible for any loss or damage which might have been avoided, had such inspection or rejection been made. (1997 Code, § 18-117)

- 18-118. <u>Customer's responsibility for system's property</u>. Except as herein elsewhere expressly provided, all meters, service connections, and other equipment furnished by or for the town shall be and remain the property of the municipality. Each customer shall provide space for and exercise proper care to protect the property of the town on his premises. In the event of loss or damage to such property, arising from the neglect of a customer to care for it properly care for same, the cost of necessary repairs or replacements shall be paid by the customer. (1997 Code, § 18-118)
- 18-119. <u>Customer's responsibility for violations</u>. Where the town furnishes water service to a customer, such customer shall be responsible for all violations of these rules and regulations which occur on the premises so served. Personal participation by the customer in any such violations shall not be necessary to impose such personal responsibility on him. (1997 Code, § 18-119)
- 18-120. <u>Supply and resale of water</u>. All water shall be supplied within the town exclusively by the town and no customer shall, directly or indirectly, sell, sublet, assign, or otherwise dispose of the water or any part thereof except with written permission from the town. (1997 Code, § 18-120)

- 18-121. <u>Unauthorized use of or interference with water supply</u>. No person shall turn on or turn off any of the town's stop cocks, valves, hydrants, spigots, or fire plugs without permission or authority from the town. (1997 Code, § 18-121)
- 18-122. <u>Limited use of unmetered private fire line</u>. Where a private fire line is not metered, no water shall be used from such line or from any fire hydrant thereon, except to fight fire or except when being inspected in the presence of an authorized agent of the town.

All private fire hydrants shall be sealed by the town, and shall be inspected at regular intervals to see that they are in proper condition and that no water is being used therefrom in violation of these rules and regulations. When the seal is broken on account of fire, or for any other reason, the customer taking such service shall immediately give the town a written notice of such occurrence. (1997 Code, § 18-122)

- **18-123.** <u>Damages to property due to water pressure</u>. The town shall not be liable to any customer for damages caused to his plumbing or property by high pressure, low pressure, or fluctuations in pressure in the town's water mains. (1997 Code, § 18-123)
- 18-124. <u>Liability for cutoff failures</u>. The town's liability shall be limited to the forfeiture of the right to charge a customer for water that is not used but is received from a service line under any of the following circumstances:
- (1) After receipt of at least ten (10) days' written notice to cut off water service, the town has failed to cut off such service.
- (2) The town has attempted to cut off a service but such service has not been completely cut off.
- (3) The town has completely cut off a service, but subsequently, the cutoff develops a leak or is turned on again so that water enters the customer's pipes from the town's main.

Except to the extent stated above, the town shall not be liable for any loss or damage resulting from cutoff failures. If a customer wishes to avoid possible damage for cutoff failures, the customer shall rely exclusively on privately owned cutoffs and not on the town's cutoff. Also, the customer (and not the town) shall be responsible for seeing that his plumbing is properly drained and is kept properly drained, after his water service has been cut off. (1997 Code, § 18-124)

18-125. <u>Restricted use of water</u>. In times of emergencies or in times of water shortage, the town reserves the right to restrict the purposes for which water may be used by a customer and the amount of water which a customer may use. (1997 Code, § 18-125)

18-126. <u>Interruption of service</u>. The town will endeavor to furnish continuous water service, but does not guarantee to the customer any fixed pressure or continuous service. The municipality shall not be liable for any damages for any interruption of service whatsoever.

In connection with the operation, maintenance, repair, and extension of the town water and sewer systems, the water supply may be shut off without notice when necessary or desirable, and each customer must be prepared for such emergencies. The town shall not be liable for any damages from such interruption of service or for damages from the resumption of service without notice after any such interruption. (1997 Code, § 18-126)

18-127. <u>Schedule of rates</u>. The following read to the nearest multiple of 100 gallons, shall be schedule of monthly charges for water, with no water being supplied free of charge, furnished within the corporate limits of the Town of Englewood by the waterworks of said town, to wit:

Minimum charge (inside city)

First 2,500 gallons	\$11.76 \$37.54 \$127.22	3/4" meter 2" meter 4" meter
All over 2,500 gallons	\$5.47	per 1,000 gallons
Minimum charge (outside city)		
First 2,500 gallons	\$23.52 \$75.08 \$254.44	3/4" meter 2" meter 4" meter

Commercial rate minimum charge

All over 2,500 gallons

First 2,500 gallons \$36.33 All over 2,500 gallons \$20.73 per 1,000 gallons

\$10.95

per 1,000 gallons

(1997 Code, § 18-127, as replaced by Ord. #07-13-09-13, July 2009, and amended by Ord. #04-08-13-71, April 1013)

CHAPTER 2

WASTEWATER REGULATIONS¹

SECTION

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- **18-201.** <u>Purpose and policy</u>. This chapter sets forth uniform requirements for the disposal of wastewater in the service area of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee, wastewater treatment system. The objectives of this chapter are:
 - (1) To protect the public health;
- (2) To provide problem free wastewater collection and treatment service;
- (3) To prevent the introduction of pollutants into the municipal wastewater treatment system, which will interfere with the system operation, which will cause the system discharge to violate its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit or other applicable state requirements, or which will cause physical damage to the wastewater treatment system facilities;
- (4) To provide for full and equitable distribution of the cost of the wastewater treatment system;
- (5) To enable the town to comply with the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act;
- (6) To improve the opportunity to recycle and reclaim wastewaters and sludges from the wastewater treatment system.

Building, utility and housing codes: title 12.

Refuse disposal: title 17.

¹Municipal code references

In meeting these objectives, this chapter provides that all persons in the service area of the town must have adequate wastewater treatment either in the form of a connection to the municipal wastewater treatment system or, where the system is not available, an appropriate private disposal system. The chapter also provides for the regulations of wastewater discharge volume and characteristics, for monitoring and enforcement activities; and for the setting of fees for the full and equitable distribution of costs resulting from the operation, maintenance, and capital recovery of the wastewater treatment system and from other activities required by the enforcement and administrative program established herein.

This chapter shall apply to the town and to persons outside the town who are, by contract or agreement with the town, users of the municipal wastewater treatment system. Except as otherwise provided herein, the superintendent of the town shall administer, implement, and enforce the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)

- **18-202.** <u>Definitions</u>. Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the following terms and phrases, as used in this chapter, shall have the meanings hereinafter designated:
- (1) "Act" or "the Act." The Federal Water Pollution Control Act, also known as the Clean Water Act, as amended 33 U.S.C. 1251, et seq.
- (2) "Approval authority." The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Pollution Control.
- (3) "Authorized representative of industrial user." An authorized representative of an industrial user may be:
 - (a) A principal executive officer of at least the level of vicepresident, if the industrial user is a corporation;
 - (b) A general partner or proprietor if the industrial user is a partnership or proprietorship, respectively;
 - (c) A duly authorized representative of the individual designated above if such representative is responsible for the overall operation of the facilities from which the indirect discharge originates.
- (4) "Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)." The quantity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure for five (5) days at 20° centigrade expressed in terms of weight and concentration (milligrams per liter (mg/l)).
- (5) "Building sewer." A sewer conveying wastewater from the premises of a user to the publicly owned sewer collection system.
- (6) "Categorical standards." The National Categorical Pretreatment Standards or pretreatment standard.
- (7) "Commissioner." The commissioner of environment and conservation or the commissioner's duly authorized representative and, in the event of the commissioner's absence or a vacancy in the office of commissioner, the deputy commissioner.

- (8) "Compatible pollutant." Shall mean BOD, suspended solids, pH, fecal coliform bacteria, and such additional pollutants as are now or may in the future be specified and controlled in the town's NPDES permit for its wastewater treatment works where sewer works have been designed and used to reduce or remove such pollutants.
- (9) "Composite sample." A sample composed of two (2) or more discrete samples. The aggregate sample will reflect the average water quality covering the composting or sample period.
- (10) "Control authority." The term "control authority" shall refer to the "approval authority," defined herein above; or the local hearing authority if the town has an approved pretreatment program under the provisions of 40 CFR 403.11.
- (11) "Cooling water." The water discharge from any use such as air conditioning, cooling, or refrigeration, or to which the only pollutant added is heat.
- (12) "Customer." Any individual, partnership, corporation, association, or group who receives sewer service from the town under either an express or implied contract requiring payment to the town for such service.
- (13) "Direct discharge." The discharge of treated or untreated wastewater directly to the waters of the State of Tennessee.
- (14) "Domestic wastewater." Wastewater that is generated by a single family, apartment or other dwelling unit or dwelling unit equivalent or commercial establishment containing sanitary facilities for the disposal of wastewater and used for residential or commercial purposes only.
- (15) "Environmental Protection Agency" or "EPA." The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or where appropriate, the term may also be used as a designation for the administrator or other duly authorized official of the said agency.
- (16) "Garbage." Solid wastes generated from any domestic, commercial or industrial source.
- (17) "Grab sample." A sample which is taken from a waste stream on a one-time basis with no regard to the flow in the waste stream and is collected over a period of time not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Grab sampling procedure: Where composite sampling is not an appropriate sampling technique, a grab sample(s) shall be taken to obtain influent and effluent operational data. Collection of influent grab samples should precede collection of effluent samples by approximately one (1) detention period. The detention period is to be based on a twenty-four (24) hour average daily flow value. The average daily flow used will be based upon the average of the daily flows during the same month of the previous year. Grab samples will be required, for example, where the parameters being evaluated are those, such as cyanide and phenol, which may not be held for any extended period because of biological, chemical or physical interactions which take place after sample collection and affect the results.

- (18) "Grease interceptor." An interceptor whose rated flow is fifty (50) g.p.m. or less and is generally located inside the building.
- (19) "Grease trap." An interceptor whose rated flow is fifty (50) g.p.m. or more and is located outside the building.
- (20) "Holding tank waste." Any waste from holding tanks such as vessels, chemical toilets, campers, trailers, septic tanks, and vacuum-pump tank trucks.
- (21) "Incompatible pollutant." Any pollutant which is not a "compatible pollutant" as defined in this section.
- (22) "Indirect discharge." The discharge or the introduction of non-domestic pollutants from any source regulated under section 307(b) or (c) of the Act, (33 U.S.C. 1317), into the POTW (including holding tank waste discharged into the system).
- (23) "Industrial user." A source of indirect discharge which does not constitute a "discharge of pollutants" under regulations issued pursuant to section 402 of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1342).
- (24) "Industrial wastes." Any liquid, solid, or gaseous substance, or combination thereof, or form of energy including heat, resulting from any process of industry, manufacture, trade, food processing or preparation, or business or from the development of any natural resource.
- (25) "Interceptor." A device designed and installed to separate and retain for removal, by automatic or manual means, deleterious, hazardous or undesirable matter from normal wastes, while permitting normal sewage or waste to discharge into the drainage system by gravity.
- (26) "Interference." The inhibition or disruption of the municipal wastewater processes or operations which contributes to a violation of any requirement of the town's NPDES permit. The term includes prevention of sewage sludge use or disposal by the POTW in accordance with 405 of the Act, (33 U.S.C. 1345) or any criteria including 40 CFR 503, guidelines, or regulations developed pursuant to the Solid Waste Disposal Act (SWDA), Rules and Regulations of the State of Tennessee, chapter 1200-1-7 (solid waste processing and disposal), the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, or more stringent state criteria (including those contained in any state sludge management plan prepared pursuant to title IV of SWDA) applicable to the method of disposal or use employed by the municipal wastewater treatment system.
 - (27) "Local administrative officer." (Reserved for future use.)
 - (28) "Local hearing authority." (Reserved for future use.)
- (29) "National categorical pretreatment standard" or "pretreatment standard." Any regulation containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by the EPA in accordance with section 307(b) and (c) of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1347) which applies to a specific category of industrial users.
- (30) "NAICS, North American Industrial Classification System." A system of industrial classification jointly agreed upon by Canada, Mexico and

the United States. It replaces the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system.

- (31) "New source." Any source, the construction of which is commenced after the publication of proposed regulations prescribing a section 307(c) (33 U.S.C. 1317) categorical pretreatment standard which will be applicable to such source, if such standard is thereafter promulgated within one hundred twenty (120) days of proposal in the Federal Register. Where the standard is promulgated later than one hundred twenty (120) days after proposal, a new source means any source, the construction of which is commenced after the date of promulgation of the standard.
- (32) "NPDES (National Pollution Discharge Elimination System)." The program for issuing, conditioning, and denying permits for the discharge of pollutants from point sources into navigable waters, the contiguous zone, and the oceans pursuant to section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended.
- (33) "Person." Any individual, partnership, co-partnership, firm, industry, company, corporation, association, joint stock company, trust, estate, governmental entity or any other legal entity, or their legal representatives, agents, or assigns. The masculine gender shall include the feminine and the singular shall include the plural where indicated by the context.
- (34) "pH." The logarithm (base 10) of the reciprocal of the concentration of hydrogen ions expressed in grams per liter of solution.
- (35) "Pollution." The man-made or man-induced alteration of the chemical, physical, biological, and radiological integrity of water.
- (36) "Pollutant." Any dredged spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, sewage, garbage, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, radioactive materials, heat, wrecked or discharged equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt, and industrial, municipal, and agricultural waste discharge into water.
- (37) "POTW treatment plant." That portion of the POTW designed to provide treatment to wastewater.
- (38) "Pretreatment" or "treatment." The reduction of the amount of pollutants, the elimination of pollutants, or the alteration of the nature of pollutant properties in wastewater to a less harmful state prior to or in lieu of discharging or otherwise introducing such pollutants into a POTW. The reduction or alteration can be obtained by physical, chemical, biological processes, or process changes or other means, except through dilution as prohibited by 40 CFR section 403.6(d).
- (39) "Pretreatment coordinator." The person designated by the local administrative officer or his authorized representative to supervise the operation of the pretreatment program.
- (40) "Pretreatment requirements." Any substantive or procedural requirement related to pretreatment other than a national pretreatment standard imposed on an industrial user.

- (41) "Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW). A treatment works as defined by section 212 of the Act, (33 U.S.C. 1292) which is owned in this instance by the municipality (as defined by section 502(4) of the Act). This definition includes any devices and systems used in the storage, treatment, recycling and reclamation of municipal sewage or industrial wastes of a liquid nature. It also includes sewers, pipes and other conveyances only if they convey wastewater to a POTW treatment plant. The term also means the municipality as defined in section 502(4) of the Act, which has jurisdiction over the indirect discharges to and the discharges from such a treatment works.
 - (42) "Shall" is mandatory; "may" is permissive.
- (43) "Significant industrial user." The term significant industrial user means:
 - (a) All industrial users subject to categorical pretreatment standards under 40 CFR 403.6 and 40 CFR chapter I, subchapter N; and
 - (b) Any other industrial user that: discharges an average of twenty five thousand (25,000) gallons per day or more of process wastewater to the POTW (excluding sanitary, non-contact cooling and boiler blowdown wastewater); contributes a process wastestream which makes up five percent (5%) or more of the average dry weather hydraulic or organic capacity of the POTW treatment plan; or is designated as such by the control authority as defined in 40 CFR 403.12(a) on the basis that the industrial user has a reasonable potential for adversely affecting the POTW's operation or for violating any pretreatment standard or requirement (in accordance with 40 CFR 403.8(f)(6)).
 - (44) "Significant noncompliance." (Reserved for future use.)
- (45) "Slug." Any discharge at a flow rate or concentration which could cause a violation of the prohibited discharge standards in § 18-207 of this chapter or any discharge of a non-routine, episodic nature, including but not limited to, an accidental spill or a non-customary batch discharge.
- (46) "Standard Industrial Classification (SIC)." A classification pursuant to the <u>Standard Industrial Classification Manual</u> issued by the Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget, 1972.
 - (47) "State." State of Tennessee.
- (48) "Storm sewer" or "storm drain." A pipe or conduit which carries storm and surface waters and drainage, but excludes sewage and industrial wastes. It may, however, carry cooling waters and unpolluted waters, upon approval of the superintendent.
- (49) "Storm water." Any flow occurring during or following any form of natural precipitation and resulting therefrom.
- (50) "Superintendent." The local administrative officer or person designated by him to supervise the operation of the publicly owned treatment works and who is charged with certain duties and responsibilities by this chapter, or his duly authorized representative.

- (51) "Suspended solids." The total suspended matter that floats on the surface of, or is suspended in, water, wastewater, or other liquids and that is removable by laboratory filtering.
- (52) "Town." The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee.
- (53) "Toxic pollutant." Any pollutant or combination of pollutants listed as toxic in regulations published by the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency under the provision of CWA 307(a) or other Acts.
- (54) "Twenty-four (24) hour flow proportional composite sample." A sample consisting of several sample portions collected during a twenty-four (24) hour period in which the portions of a sample are proportioned to the flow and combined to form a representative sample.
- (55) "User." The owner, tenant or occupant of any lot or parcel of land connected to a sanitary sewer, or for which a sanitary sewer line is available if a municipality levies a sewer charge on the basis of such availability.
- (56) "Wastewater." The liquid and water-carried industrial or domestic wastes from dwellings, commercial buildings, industrial facilities, and institutions, whether treated or untreated, which is contributed into or permitted to enter the POTW.
 - (57) "Wastewater treatment systems." Defined the same as POTW.
- (58) "Waters of the state." All streams, lakes, ponds, marshes, watercourses, waterways, wells, springs, reservoirs, aquifers, irrigation systems, drainage systems, and other bodies of accumulation of water, surface or underground, natural or artificial, public or private, that are contained within, flow through, or border upon the state or any portion thereof. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)
- 18-203. <u>Connection to public sewers</u>. (1) <u>Requirements for proper wastewater disposal</u>. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, deposit, or permit to be deposited in any unsanitary manner on public or private property within the service area of the town, any human or animal excrement, garbage, or other objectionable waste.
 - (b) It shall be unlawful to discharge to any waters of the state within the service area of the town any sewage or other polluted waters, except where suitable treatment has been provided in accordance with provisions of this chapter.
 - (c) Except as herein provided, it shall be unlawful to construct or maintain any privy, privy vault, septic tank, cesspool, or other facility intended or used for the disposal of sewage.
 - (d) Except as provided in § 18-203(1)(e) below, the owner of all houses, buildings, or properties used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes situated within the service area in which there is now located or may in the future be located a public sanitary sewer, is hereby required at his expense to install suitable toilet facilities

therein, and to connect such facilities directly with the proper public sewer in accordance with the provisions of the chapter, within sixty (60) days after date of official notice to do so, provided that said public sewer is within five hundred (500) feet of the property line over public access.

- (e) The owner of a manufacturing facility may discharge wastewater to the waters of the state provided that he obtains an NPDES permit and meets all requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act, the NPDES permit, and any other applicable local, state, or federal statutes and regulations.
- (f) Where a public sanitary sewer is not available under the provisions of § 18-203(1)(d) above, the building sewer shall be connected to a private sewage disposal system complying with the provisions of § 18-205 of this chapter.
- (2) <u>Physical connection to public sewer</u>. (a) No person shall uncover, make any connections with or opening into, use, alter, or disturb any public sewer or appurtenance thereof. The town shall make all connections to the public sewer upon the property owner first submitting a connection application from the superintendent as required by § 18-208 of this chapter.

The connection application shall be supplemented by any plans, specifications or other information considered pertinent in the judgment of the superintendent. A connection fee shall be paid to the town at the time the application is filed.

- (b) All costs and expenses incident to the installation, connection, and inspection of the building sewer shall be borne by the owner. The owner shall indemnify the town from any loss or damage that may directly or indirectly be occasioned by the installation of the building sewer.
- (c) A separate and independent building sewer shall be provided for every building; except where one building stands at the rear of another on an interior lot and no private sewer is available or can be constructed to the rear building through an adjoining alley, court, yard, or driveway, the building sewer from the front building may be extended to the rear building and the whole considered as one building sewer.
- (d) Old building sewers may be used in connection with new buildings only when they are found on examination and tested by the superintendent to meet all requirements of this chapter. All others may be sealed to the specifications of the superintendent.
 - (e) Building sewers shall conform to the following requirements:
 - (i) The minimum size of a building sewer shall be as follows:
 - (A) Conventional sewer system four inches (4").
 - (B) Small diameter gravity sewer-two inches (2").

(C) Septic tank effluent pump-one and one quarter inches $(1\frac{1}{4})$.

Where the septic tanks become an integral part of the collection and treatment system, the minimum size influent line shall be four inches (4") and the minimum size of septic tank shall be one thousand (1,000) gallons. Septic tanks shall be constructed of water tight material and protected from flotation. The town shall have the right, privilege, and authority to locate, inspect, operate, and maintain septic tanks which are an integral part of the collection and treatment system.

- (ii) The minimum depth of a building sewer shall be eighteen inches (18").
 - (iii) Building sewers shall be laid on the following grades:
 - (A) Four inch (4") sewers-1/8 inch per foot.
 - (B) Two inch (2") sewers 3/8 inch per foot.
 - (C) Larger building sewers shall be laid on a grade that will produce a velocity when flowing full of at least two (2) feet per second.
- (iv) Slope and alignment of all building sewers shall be neat and regular.
- (v) Building sewers shall be constructed only of ductile iron pipe class 50 or above or polyvinyl chloride pipe schedule 40 or and SDR-21 or better. Joints shall be rubber or neoprene "0" ring compression joints or solvent welded. No other joints shall be acceptable.
- (vi) A cleanout shall be located five (5) feet outside of the building, one as it crosses the property line and one at each change of direction of the building sewer which is greater than forty-five (45) degrees. Additional cleanouts shall be placed not more than seventy-five (75) feet apart in horizontal building sewers of six (6) inch nominal diameter and not more than one hundred (100) feet apart for larger pipes. Cleanouts shall be extended to or above the finished grade level directly above the place where the cleanout is installed. A "Y" (wye) and one-eighth (1/8) bend shall be used for the cleanout base. Cleanouts shall not be smaller than four (4) inches.
- (vii) Connections of building sewers to the public sewer system shall be made only by the town and shall be made at the appropriate existing wyes or tee branch using compression type couplings or collar type rubber joint with stainless steel bands. Where existing wye or tee branches are not available, connections of building services shall be made by either removing a length of pipe and replacing it with a wye or tee fitting using flexible

neoprene adapters with stainless steel bands of a type approved by the superintendent. All such connections shall be made gastight and watertight.

- (viii) The building sewer may be brought into the building below the basement floor when gravity flow from the building to the sanitary sewer is at a grade of one-eighth (1/8) inch per foot or more if possible. In cases where basement or floor levels are lower than the ground elevation at the point of connection to the sewer, adequate precautions by installation of check valves or other backflow prevention devices to protect against flooding shall be provided by the owner. In all buildings in which any building drain is too low to permit gravity flow to the public sewer, sanitary sewage carried by such building drain shall be lifted by a step or grinder pump and discharged to the building sewer at the expense of the owner, pursuant to § 18-204.
- (ix) The methods to be used in excavating, placing of pipe, jointing, testing, backfilling the trench, or other activities in the construction of a building sewer which have not been described above shall conform to the requirements of the building and plumbing code or other applicable rules and regulations of the town or to the procedures set forth in appropriate specifications of the ASTM and Water Environment Federation Manual of Practice FD-5. Any deviation from the prescribed procedures and materials must be approved by the superintendent before installation.
- (x) An installed building sewer shall be gastight and watertight.
- (f) All excavations for building sewer installation shall be adequately guarded with barricades and lights so as to protect the public from hazard. Streets, sidewalks, parkways, and other public property disturbed in the course of the work shall be restored in a manner satisfactory to the town.
- (g) No person shall make connection of roof downspouts, exterior foundation drains, areaway drains, basement drains, sump pumps, or other sources of surface runoff or groundwater to a building directly or indirectly to a public sanitary sewer.
 - (h) Inspection of connections. (i) The sewer connection and all building sewers from the building to the public sewer main line shall be inspected before the underground portion is covered, by the superintendent or his authorized representative.
 - (ii) The applicant for discharge shall notify the superintendent when the building sewer is ready for inspection and connection to the public sewer. The connection shall be made under the supervision of the superintendent or his representative.

- (3) <u>Maintenance of building sewers</u>. Each individual property owner shall be entirely responsible for the construction, maintenance, repair or replacement of the building sewer as deemed necessary by the superintendent to meet specifications of the town. Owners failing to maintain or repair building sewers or who allow storm water to enter the sanitary sewer may face enforcement action by the superintendent up to and including discontinuation of water and sewer service.
- Sewer extensions. All expansion or extension of the public sewer **(4)** constructed by property owners or developers must follow policies and procedures developed by the town. In the absence of policies and procedures the expansion or extension of the public sewer must be approved in writing by the superintendent or manager of the wastewater collection system. All plans and construction must follow the latest edition of Tennessee Design Criteria for Sewerage Works. Contractors must provide the superintendent or manager with documentation that all mandrel, pressure and vacuum tests as specified in design criteria were acceptable prior to use of the lines. Contractor's one year warranty period begins with occupancy or first permanent use of the lines. Contractors are responsible for all maintenance and repairs during the warranty period and final inspections as specified by the superintendent or manager. The superintendent or manager must give written approval to the contractor to acknowledge transfer of ownership to the town. Failure to construct or repair lines to acceptable standards could result in denial or discontinuation of sewer service. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)
- 18-204. Septic tank effluent pump or grinder pump wastewater systems. When connection of building sewers to the public sewer by gravity flow lines is impossible due to elevation differences or other encumbrances, Septic Tank Effluent Pump (STEP) or Grinder Pump (GP) systems may be installed subject to the regulations of the town board.
 - (1) <u>Equipment requirements</u>. (a) Septic tanks shall be of water tight construction and must be approved by the town.
 - (b) Pumps must be approved by the town and shall be maintained by the town.
- (2) <u>Installation requirements</u>. Location of tanks, pumps, and effluent lines shall be subject to the approval of the town. Installation shall follow design criteria for STEP and GP systems as provided by the superintendent.
- (3) <u>Costs</u>. STEP and GP equipment for new construction shall be purchased and installed at the developer's, homeowner's, or business owner's expense according to the specification of the town and connection will be made to the town sewer only after inspection and approval of the town.
- (4) <u>Ownership and easements</u>. Homeowners or developers shall provide the town with ownership and an easement. Access by the town to the STEP and GP system must be guaranteed to operate, maintain, repair, restore

service, and remove sludge. Access manholes, ports, and electrical disconnects must not be locked, obstructed or blocked by landscaping or construction.

- (5) <u>Use of STEP and GP systems</u>. (a) Home or business owners shall follow the STEP and GP users guide provided by the superintendent.
- (b) Home or business owners shall provide an electrical connection that meets specifications and shall provide electrical power.
- (c) Home or business owners shall be responsible for maintenance drain lines from the building to the STEP and GP tank.
 - (d) Prohibited uses of the STEP and GP system:
 - (i) Connection of roof guttering, sump pumps or surface drains.
 - (ii) Disposal of toxic household substances.
 - (iii) Use of garbage grinders or disposers.
 - (iv) Discharge of pet hair, lint, or home vacuum water.
 - (v) Discharge of fats, grease, and oil.
- (6) <u>Tank cleaning</u>. Solids removal from the septic tank shall be the responsibility of the town. However, pumping required more frequently than once every five (5) years shall be billed to the homeowner.
- (7) <u>Additional charges</u>. The town shall be responsible for maintenance of the STEP and GP equipment. Repeat service calls for identical problems shall be billed to the homeowner or business at a rate of no more than the actual cost of the service call. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)

18-205. Private domestic wastewater disposal. (1) Availability.

- (a) Where a public sanitary sewer is not available under the provisions of § 18-203(1)(d), the building sewer shall be connected to a private wastewater disposal system complying with the provisions of this section.
- (b) Any residence, office, recreational facility, or other establishment used for human occupancy where the building drain is below the elevation to obtain a grade equivalent to one-eighth (1/8) inch per foot in the building sewer but is otherwise accessible to a public sewer as provided in § 18-203, the owner shall provide a private sewage pumping station as provided in § 18-203(2)(e)(viii).
- (c) Where a public sewer becomes available, the building sewer shall be connected to said sewer within sixty (60) days after date of official notice from the town to do so.
- (2) Requirements. (a) A private domestic wastewater disposal system may not be constructed within the service area unless and until a certificate is obtained from the superintendent stating that a public sewer is not accessible to the property and no such sewer is proposed for construction in the immediate future. No certificate shall be issued for any private domestic wastewater disposal system employing subsurface

soil absorption facilities where the area of the lot is less than that specified by the county health department.

- (b) Before commencement of construction of a private sewage disposal system the owner shall first obtain written permission from the town and the county health department. The owner shall supply any plans, specifications, and other information as are deemed necessary by the town and the county health department.
- (c) A private sewage disposal system shall not be placed in operation until the installation is completed to the satisfaction of the town and the county health department. They shall be allowed to inspect the work at any stage of construction and the owner shall notify the town and the county health department when the work is ready for final inspection, before any underground portions are covered. The inspection shall be made within a reasonable period of time after the receipt of notice by the town and the county health department.
- (d) The type, capacity, location, and layout of a private sewage disposal system shall comply with all recommendations of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, the town and the county health department. No septic tank or cesspool shall be permitted to discharge to waters of Tennessee.
- (e) The owner shall operate and maintain the private sewage disposal facilities in a sanitary manner at all times, at no expense to the town. When the public sewer becomes available, the building sewer, or the septic tank effluent line shall be connected to the public sewer within sixty (60) days of the date of availability and the private sewage disposal system should be cleaned of sludge and if no longer used as a part of the town's treatment system, filled with suitable material.
- (f) No statement contained in this chapter shall be construed to interfere with any additional or future requirements that may be imposed by the town and the county health department. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)

18-206. Regulation of holding tank waste disposal or trucked in waste. (1) No person, firm, association or corporation shall haul in or truck in to the POTW any type of domestic, commercial or industrial waste unless such person, firm, association, or corporation obtains a permit from the town to perform such acts or services.

Any person, firm, association, or corporation desiring a permit to perform such services shall file an application on the prescribed form. Upon any such application, said permit shall be issued by the superintendent when the conditions of this chapter have been met and providing the superintendent is satisfied the applicant has adequate and proper equipment to perform the services contemplated in a safe and competent manner.

- (2) Fees. For each permit issued under the provisions of this chapter the applicant shall agree in writing by the provisions of this section and pay an annual service charge to the town to be set as specified in § 18-312. Any such permit granted shall be for a specified period of time, and shall continue in full force and effect from the time issued until the expiration date, unless sooner revoked, and shall be nontransferable. The number of the permit granted hereunder shall be plainly painted in three (3) inch permanent letters on each side of each motor vehicle used in the conduct of the business permitted hereunder.
- (3) <u>Designated disposal locations</u>. The superintendent shall designate approved locations for the emptying and cleansing of all equipment used in the performance of the services rendered under the permit herein provided for, and it shall be a violation hereof for any person, firm, association or corporation to empty or clean such equipment at any place other than a place so designated. The superintendent may refuse to accept any truckload of waste at his absolute discretion where it appears that the waste could interfere with the operation of the POTW.
- (4) Revocation of permit. Failure to comply with all the provisions of the permit or this chapter shall be sufficient cause for the revocation of such permit by the superintendent. The possession within the service area by any person of any motor vehicle equipped with a body type and accessories of a nature and design capable of serving a septic tank of wastewater or excreta disposal system cleaning unit shall be prima facie evidence that such person is engaged in the business of cleaning, draining, or flushing septic tanks or other wastewater or excreta disposal systems within the service area of the Town of Englewood.
- (5) <u>Trucked in waste</u>. This part includes waste from trucks, railcars, barges, etc., or temporarily pumped waste, all of which are prohibited without a permit issued by the superintendent. This approval may require testing, flow monitoring and record keeping. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)
- 18-207. <u>Discharge regulations</u>. (1) <u>General discharge prohibitions</u>. No user shall contribute or cause to be contributed, directly or indirectly, any pollutant or wastewater which will pass through or interfere with the operation and performance of the POTW. These general prohibitions apply to all such users of a POTW whether or not the user is subject to national categorical pretreatment standards or any other national, state, or local pretreatment standards or requirements. Violations of these general and specific prohibitions or the provisions of § 18-207 may result in the discontinuance of water and/or sewer service and other fines and provisions of § 18-210. A user may not contribute the following substances to any POTW:
 - (a) Any liquids, solids, or gases which by reason of their nature or quantity are, or may be, sufficient either alone or by interaction with other substances to cause fire or explosion or be injurious in any other

way to the POTW or to the operation of the POTW. At no time, shall two (2) successive readings on an explosion hazard meter, at the point of discharge into the system (or at any point in the system) be more than five percent (5%) nor any single reading over twenty percent (20%) of the lower explosive limit (LEL) of the meter. Prohibited flammable materials including, but not limited to, wastestreams with a closed cap flash point of less than 140° F or 60° C using the test methods specified in 40 CFR 261.21. Prohibited materials include, but are not limited to, gasoline, kerosene, naphtha, benzene, toluene, xylene, ethers, alcohols, ketones, aldehydes, peroxides, chlorates, perchlorates, bromate, carbides, hydrides and sulfides and any other substances which the town, the state or EPA has notified the user is a fire hazard or a hazard to the system.

- (b) Any wastewater having a pH less than 5.5 or higher than 9.5 or wastewater having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment, and/or personnel of the POTW.
- (c) Solid or viscous substances which may cause obstruction to the flow in a sewer or other interference with the operation of the wastewater treatment facilities including, but not limited to: grease, garbage with particles greater than one-half inch (½") in any dimension, waste from animal slaughter, ashes, cinders, sand, spent lime, stone or marble dust, metal, glass, straw, shavings, grass clippings, rags, spent grains, spent hops, waste paper, wood, plastics, mud, or glass grinding or polishing wastes.
- (d) Any pollutants, including oxygen demanding pollutants (BOD, etc.) released at a flow rate and/or pollutant concentration which will cause interference to the POTW.
- (e) Pollutants which result in the presence of toxic gases, vapors, or fumes within the POTW in a quantity that may cause acute worker health and safety problems.
- (f) Petroleum oil, nonbiodegradable cutting oil, or products of mineral oil origin in amounts that will cause interference or pass through.
- (g) Any wastewater containing any toxic pollutants, chemical elements, or compounds in sufficient quantity, either singly or by interaction process, constitute a hazard to humans, including wastewater plant and collection system operators, or animals, create a toxic effect in the receiving waters of the POTW, or to exceed the limitation set forth in a categorical pretreatment standard. A toxic pollutant shall include but not be limited to any pollutant identified pursuant to section 307(a) of the Act.
- (h) Any trucked or hauled pollutants except at discharge points designated by the POTW.

- (i) Any substance which may cause the POTW's effluent or any other product of the POTW such as residues, sludges, or scums, to be unsuitable for reclamation and reuse or to interfere with the reclamation process. In no case, shall a substance discharged to the POTW cause the POTW to be in non-compliance with sludge use or disposal criteria, 40 CFR 503, guidelines, or regulations developed under section 405 of the Act; any criteria, guidelines, or regulations affecting sludge use or disposal developed pursuant to the Solid Waste Disposal Act, the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, or state criteria applicable to the sludge management method being used.
- (j) Any substances which will cause the POTW to violate its NPDES permit or the receiving water quality standards.
- (k) Any wastewater causing discoloration of the wastewater treatment plant effluent to the extent that the receiving stream water quality requirements would be violated, such as, but not limited to, dye wastes and vegetable tanning solutions.
- (l) Any wastewater having a temperature which will inhibit biological activity in the POTW treatment plant resulting in interference, but in no case wastewater with a temperature at the introduction into the POTW which exceeds 40° C $(104^{\circ}$ F).
- (m) Any waters or wastes causing an unusual volume of flow or concentration of waste constituting "slug" as defined herein.
- (n) Any waters containing any radioactive wastes or isotopes of such halflife or concentration as may exceed limits established by the superintendent in compliance with applicable state or federal regulations.
- (o) Any wastewater which causes a hazard to human life or creates a public nuisance.
- (p) Any waters or wastes containing fats, wax, grease, or oil, whether emulsified or not, which cause accumulations of solidified fat in pipes, lift stations and pumping equipment, or interfere at the treatment plant.
- (q) Any stormwater, surface water, groundwater, roof runoff, subsurface drainage, uncontaminated cooling water, or unpolluted industrial process waters to any sanitary sewer. Stormwater and all other unpolluted drainage shall be discharged to such sewers as are specifically designated as storm sewers, or to a natural outlet approved by the superintendent and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. Industrial cooling water or unpolluted process waters may be discharged on approval of the superintendent and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, to a storm sewer or natural outlet.
- (2) <u>Restrictions on wastewater strength</u>. (Reserved for future use.)
- (3) Fats, oils and grease traps and interceptors. (a) Fat, Oil, and Grease (FOG), waste food, and sand interceptors. FOG, waste food and

sand interceptors shall be provided when, in the opinion of the superintendent, they are necessary for the proper handling of liquid wastes containing fats, oils, and grease, any flammable wastes, ground food waste, sand, soil, and solids, or other harmful ingredients in excessive amount which impact the wastewater collection system. Such interceptors shall not be required for single family residences, but may be required on multiple family residences. All interceptors shall be of a type and capacity approved by the superintendent, and shall be located as to be readily and easily accessible for cleaning and inspection.

- (b) Fat, oil, grease, and food waste. (i) New construction and renovation. Upon construction or renovation, all restaurants, cafeterias, hotels, motels, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, grocery stores, prisons, jails, churches, camps, caterers, manufacturing plants and any other sewer users who discharge applicable waste shall submit a FOG and food waste control plan that will effectively control the discharge of FOG and food waste.
- (ii) Existing structures. All existing restaurants, cafeterias, hotels, motels, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, grocery stores, prisons, jails, churches, camps, caterers, manufacturing plants and any other sewer users who discharge applicable waste shall be required to submit a plan for control of FOG and food waste, if and when the superintendent determines that FOG and food waste are causing excessive loading, plugging, damage or potential problems to structures or equipment in the public sewer system.
- (iii) Implementation of plan. After approval of the FOG plan by the superintendent the sewer user must:
 - (A) Implement the plan within a reasonable amount of time;
 - (B) Service and maintain the equipment in order to prevent adverse impact upon the sewer collection system and treatment facility. If in the opinion of the superintendent the user continues to impact the collection system and treatment plan, additional pretreatment may be required, including a requirement to meet numeric limits and have surcharges applied.
- (c) Sand, soil, and oil interceptors. All car washes, truck washes, garages, service stations and other sources of sand, soil, and oil shall install effective sand, soil, and oil interceptors. These interceptors shall be sized to effectively remove sand, soil, and oil at the expected flow rates. The interceptors shall be cleaned on a regular basis to prevent impact upon the wastewater collection and treatment system. Owners whose interceptors are deemed to be ineffective by the superintendent may be asked to change the cleaning frequency or to increase the size of

the interceptors. Owners or operators of washing facilities will prevent the inflow of rainwater into the sanitary sewers.

- (d) Laundries. Commercial laundries shall be equipped with an interceptor with a wire basket or similar device, removable for cleaning, that prevents passage into the sewer system of solids one half (½) inch or larger in size such as strings, rags, buttons, or other solids detrimental to the system.
- (e) Control equipment. The equipment of facilities installed to control FOG, food waste, sand and soil, must be designed in accordance with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation engineering standards. Underground equipment shall be tightly sealed to prevent inflow of rainwater and easily accessible to allow regular maintenance. Control equipment shall be maintained by the owner or operator of the facility so as to prevent a stoppage of the public sewer, and the accumulation of FOG in the lines, pump stations and treatment plant. If the town is required to clean out the public sewer lines as a result of a stoppage resulting from poorly maintained control equipment, the property owner shall be required to refund the labor, equipment, materials and overhead costs to the town. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit or restrict any other remedy the town has under this chapter, or state or federal law.

The town retains the right to inspect and approve installation of control equipment.

- (4) <u>Protection of treatment plant influent</u>. (Reserved for future use.)
- (5) <u>Federal categorical pretreatment standards</u>. (Reserved for future use.)
- (6) Right to establish more restrictive criteria. No statement in this chapter is intended or may be construed to prohibit the town from establishing specific wastewater discharge criteria more restrictive where wastes are determined to be harmful or destructive to the facilities of the POTW or to create a public nuisance, or to cause the discharge of the POTW to violate effluent or stream quality standards, or to interfere with the use or handling of sludge, or to pass through the POTW resulting in a violation of the NPDES permit, or to exceed industrial pretreatment standards for discharge to municipal wastewater treatment systems as imposed or as may be imposed by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and/or the United States Environmental Protection Agency.
- (7) <u>Accidental discharges</u>. (Reserved for future use.) (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)

18-208. Application for domestic wastewater connection.

(1) <u>Application for discharge of domestic wastewater</u>. All users or prospective users which generate domestic wastewater shall make application to the superintendent for connection to the municipal wastewater treatment

system. Application shall be required from all new dischargers as well as for any existing discharger desiring additional service. Connection to the town sewer shall not be made until the application is received and approved by the superintendent, the building sewer is installed in accordance with § 18-201 of this chapter and an inspection has been performed by the superintendent or his representative.

The receipt by the town of a prospective customer's application for connection shall not obligate the town to render the connection. If the service applied for cannot be supplied in accordance with this chapter and the town's rules and regulations and general practice, the connection charge will be refunded in full, and there shall be no liability of the town to the applicant for such service.

- (2) <u>Industrial wastewater discharge permits</u>. Significant industrial users who require an industrial pretreatment permit can only become users of the Englewood Sewer System upon development of a pretreatment program and approval by the State of Tennessee.
- (3) <u>Confidential information</u>. (Reserved for future use.) (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)

18-209. <u>Industrial user monitoring, inspection reports, records access, and safety</u>. (Reserved for future use.) (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)

- 18-210. <u>Enforcement and abatement</u>. Violators of these wastewater regulations may be cited to town court, have water and sewer service terminated or the town may seek future remedies as needed to protect the collection system, treatment plant, receiving stream and public health. Upon notice by the superintendent that a violation has or is occurring the user shall immediately take steps to stop or correct the violation. The town may take any or all of the following remedies:
- (1) Cite the user to town court, where each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.
- (2) In an emergency situation where the superintendent has determined that immediate action is needed to protect the public health, safety or welfare, a public water supply or the facilities of the sewerage system, the superintendent may disconnect sewer and water service.
- (3) Further remedies as needed to protect the public health, safety or welfare, a public water supply or the facilities of the sewerage system. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)
- **18-211.** <u>Fees and billing</u>. (1) <u>Purpose</u>. It is the purpose of this chapter to provide for the equitable recovery of costs from users of the town's wastewater treatment system including costs of operation, maintenance, administration, bond service costs, capital improvements, depreciation, and equitable cost recovery of EPA administered federal wastewater grants.

- (2) <u>Types of charges and fees</u>. The charges and fees as established in the town's schedule of charges and fees may include but are not limited to:
 - (a) Inspection fee and tapping fee;
 - (b) Fees for applications for discharge;
 - (c) Sewer use charges;
 - (d) Fee for development of an industrial pretreatment program;
 - (e) Other fees as the town may deem necessary.
- (3) <u>Fees for application for discharge</u>. A fee may be charged when a user or prospective user makes application for discharge as required by § 18-208 of this chapter.
- (4) <u>Inspection fee and tapping fee</u>. An inspection fee and tapping fee for a building sewer installation shall be paid to the town's sewer department at the time the application is filed.
- (5) <u>Sewer user charges</u>. The board of commissioners shall establish monthly rates and charges for the use of the wastewater system and for the services supplied by the wastewater system. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)
- **18-212.** <u>Validity</u>. This chapter and its provisions shall be valid for all service areas, regions, and sewage works under the jurisdiction of the town. (Ord. #04-10-06-72, May 2006)

¹Such rates are reflected in administrative ordinances or resolutions, which are of record in the office of the town recorder.

CHAPTER 3

CROSS CONNECTIONS, AUXILIARY INTAKES, ETC.1

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- 18-310. Violations.
- **18-301. Definitions**. The following definitions and terms shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this chapter:
- (1) "Public water supply." The waterworks system furnishing water to the Town of Englewood for general use and which supply is recognized as the public water supply by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.
- (2) "Cross connection." Any physical connection whereby the public water supply is connected with any other water supply system, whether public or private, either inside or outside of any building or buildings, in such manner that a flow of water into the public water supply is possible either through the manipulation of valves or because of ineffective check or back-pressure valves, or because of any other arrangement.
- (3) "Auxiliary intake." Any piping connection or other device whereby water may be secured from a source other than that normally used.
- (4) "Bypass." Any system of piping or other arrangement whereby the water may be diverted around any part or portion of a water purification plant.
- (5) "Interconnection." Any system of piping or other arrangement whereby the public water supply is connected directly with a sewer, drain, conduit, pool, storage reservoir, or other device which does or may contain sewage or other waste or liquid which would be capable of imparting contamination to the public water supply.

¹Municipal code references

Plumbing code: title 12.

Water and sewer system administration: title 18.

Wastewater treatment: title 18.

- (6) "Person." Any and all persons, natural or artificial, including any individual firm or association, and any municipal or private corporation organized or existing under the laws of this or any other state or country. (1997 Code, § 18-401, modified)
- 18-302. <u>Standards</u>. The Town of Englewood Public Water Supply is to comply with <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, §§ 68-221-701 through 68-221-720 as well as the Rules and Regulations for Public Water Supplies, legally adopted in accordance with this code, which pertain to cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, and interconnections, and establish an effective ongoing program to control these undesirable water uses. (1997 Code, § 18-402)
- 18-303. <u>Construction</u>, <u>operation</u>, <u>and supervision</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause a cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass, or interconnection to be made, or allow one to exist for any purpose whatsoever, unless the construction and operation of same have been approved by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and the operation of such cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass or interconnection is at all times under the direct supervision of the Water System Superintendent of the Town of Englewood. (1997 Code, § 18-403, modified)
- 18-304. <u>Statement required</u>. Any person whose premises are supplied with water from the public water supply and who also has on the same premises a separate source of water supply, or stores water in an uncovered or unsanitary storage reservoir from which the water stored therein is circulated through a piping system, shall file with the Water System Superintendent of the Town of Englewood a statement of the non-existence of unapproved or unauthorized cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, or interconnections. Such statements shall also contain an agreement that no cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass, or interconnection will be permitted upon the premises. (1997 Code, § 18-404)
- 18-305. <u>Inspections required</u>. It shall be the duty of the Town of Englewood Public Water Supply to cause inspections to be made of all properties served by the public water supply where cross connections with the public water supply are deemed possible. The frequency of inspections and reinspection, based on potential health hazards involved, shall be established by the Water System Superintendent of the Town of Englewood and as approved by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. (1997 Code, § 18-405, modified)
- 18-306. <u>Right of entry for inspections</u>. The water system superintendent or his authorized representative shall have the right to enter, at any reasonable time, any property served by a connection to the Town of

Englewood Public Water Supply for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems therein for cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, or interconnections. On request, the owner, lessee, or occupant of any property so served shall furnish to the inspection agency any pertinent information regarding the piping system or systems on such property. The refusal of such information or refusal of access, when requested, shall be deemed evidence of the presence of cross connections. (1997 Code, § 18-406)

18-307. <u>Correction of existing violations</u>. Any person who now has cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, or interconnections in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be allowed a reasonable time within which to comply with the provisions of this chapter. After a thorough investigation of existing conditions and an appraisal of the time required to complete the work, the amount of time shall be designated by the Water System Superintendent of the Town of Englewood. (1997 Code, § 18-407)

18-308. <u>Use of protective devices</u>. Where the nature of use of the water supplied a premises by the water department is such that it is deemed:

- (1) Impractical to provide an effective air-gap separation.
- (2) That the owner and/or occupant of the premises cannot, or is not willing, to demonstrate to the official in charge of the system, or his designated representative, that the water use and protective features of the plumbing are such as to propose no threat to the safety or potability of the water supply.
- (3) That the nature and mode of operation within a premises are such that frequent alterations are made to the plumbing.
- (4) There is a likelihood that protective measures may be subverted, altered, or disconnected.

The Water System Superintendent of the Town of Englewood, or his designated representative, shall require the use of an approved protective device on the service line serving the premises to assure that any contamination that may originate in the customer's premises is contained therein. The protective device shall be a reduced pressure zone type backflow preventer approved by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation as to manufacture, model, and size. The method of installation of backflow protective devices shall be approved by the Water System Superintendent of the Town of Englewood prior to installation and shall comply with the criteria set forth by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. The installation shall be at the expense of the owner or occupant of the premises.

The department shall have the right to inspect and test the device or devices on an annual basis or whenever deemed necessary by the water system superintendent or his designated representative. Water service shall not be disrupted to test the device without the knowledge of the occupant of the premises.

Where the use of water is critical to the continuance of normal operations or protection of life, property, or equipment, duplicate units shall be provided to avoid the necessity of discontinuing water service to test or repair the protective device or devices. Where only one unit has been installed and the continuance of service is critical, the water system superintendent shall notify, in writing, the occupant of the premises of plans to discontinue water service and arrange for a mutually acceptable time to test and/or repair the device. The water system shall require the occupant of the premises to make all repairs indicated promptly, and the expense of such repairs shall be borne by the owner or occupant of the premises. These repairs shall be made by qualified personnel acceptable to the Water System Superintendent of the Town of Englewood. (1997 Code, § 18-408, modified)

18-309. <u>Unpotable water to be labeled</u>. The potable water supply made available on the properties served by the public water supply shall be protected from possible contamination as specified herein. Any water outlet which could be used for potable or domestic purposes and which is not supplied by the potable system must be labeled in a conspicuous manner as:

WATER UNSAFE

FOR DRINKING

Minimum acceptable sign shall have black letters at least one-inch high located on a red background. (1997 Code, § 18-409)

18-310. <u>Violations</u>. Any person who neglects or refuses to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction therefor, shall be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and each day of continued violation after conviction shall constitute a separate offense. In addition to the foregoing fines and penalties, the Water System Superintendent of the Town of Englewood shall discontinue the public water supply service at any premises upon which there is found to be a cross-connection, auxiliary intake, by-pass, or inter-connection, and service shall not be restored until such cross-connection, auxiliary intake, by-pass, or inter-connection has been discontinued. (1997 Code, § 18-410)

WATER AND SEWER LEAKS

SECTION

18-401. Water leaks must be validated.

18-402. Adjustments

- **18-401.** Water leaks must be validated. All water leaks must be validated by the Town of Englewood's maintenance department. (Ord. #11-14-05-69, Nov. 2005)
- 18-402. <u>Adjustments</u>. After water leaks are validated by the maintenance department, adjustments will be made by town hall personnel according to the following:
- (1) Water leaks at the coupling on the customer's side of the meterwater and sewer will be adjusted one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) bill of leak adjustment once every five (5) years.
- (2) Water leaks located on the service line from meter to residence-sewer will be adjusted one-half (½) bill of leak adjustment once every five (5) years.
- (3) Penalties incurred due to a water leak shall be waived for the time period that the leak occurred should the customer need to set up a payment plan with the town due to financial reasons.
- (4) If a customer receives an adjustment due to a validated water leak, they will be not allowed to receive another adjustment for five (5) years from the date of the last adjustment.
- (5) The adjustment will be for fifty percent (50%) of the bill once every five (5) years. (Ord. #11-14-05-69, Nov. 2005, modified)

UTILITY CONNECTIONS

SECTION

18-501. Building permit required.

18-502. Certificate of occupancy required.

18-501. Building permit required. It shall be unlawful for any utility department, company or corporation to connect utilities to any building or structure until the property owner has produced a valid building permit signed by the town building inspector for that structure. (1997 Code, § 20-201)

18-502. Certificate of occupancy required. It shall be unlawful for any utility department, company or corporation to turn on water, electricity or gas or to furnish any service until the owner of such property has produced a valid certificate of occupancy signed by the town building inspector. (1997 Code, § 20-202)

¹Municipal code reference Building code: title 12, chapter 1.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE¹

SECTION

- 18-601. Creation.
- 18-602. Terms of committee members.
- 18-603. Organization of committee.
- 18-604. Duties of committee.
- 18-605. Meetings of committee.
- **18-601.** Creation. There is created for the Town of Englewood a public utilities committee, referred to hereafter in this chapter as "committee," to consist of five (5) members which shall have the duty of advising and making recommendations to the board of commissioners on policy matters relating to the water and sewer system and the gas system. To be eligible for appointment to the committee a person shall be at least twenty-one (21) years old and:
- (1) Shall have been a resident of the town for at least one (1) year next preceding the date of appointment; or
- (2) Be a customer of the water and sewer system or the gas system, whether a resident or non-resident of the town. The office of any member ceasing to have the above qualifications shall become vacant. Except as provided in § 18-604 of this chapter, no officer or employee of the town shall be eligible for appointment or service on the committee. (1997 Code, § 20-101)
- 18-602. Terms of committee members. The board of commissioners shall by an affirmative vote of a majority of its entire membership appoint one of its members to the committee to serve concurrently with his term on the board of commissioners. No member shall vote for his own appointment. The other members of the committee shall be appointed by the board of commissioners by an affirmative vote of a majority of its entire membership, two (2) of the original appointees to serve from date of appointment and for two (2) years from the next succeeding July 1, and two (2) of the original appointees to serve from date of appointment and for four (4) years from the next succeeding July 1. Thereafter each successor to a retiring member of the committee shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years at the first regular meeting of the board of commissioners in June next preceding the expiration of the term of office of the retiring member. Vacancies of the committee shall be filled for the unexpired, term by the board of commissioners. Each member of the committee

Electricity and gas: title 19.

Water and sewer: title 18, chapters 1 and 4.

¹Municipal code references

shall qualify by taking the same oath required of the board of commissioners. Members of the committee shall serve without compensation. (1997 Code, § 20-102)

- 18-603. <u>Organization of committee</u>. The committee shall elect a chairman, and shall adopt rules for the conduct of its meetings which shall be binding on the committee until amended or abolished. The board of commissioners shall provide a meeting place, equipment and supplies for the committee. (1997 Code, § 20-101)
- 18-604. <u>Duties of committee</u>. After the appointment and organization of the committee, all matters coming before the board of commissioners concerning construction, improvement, acquisition, extension, expansion, operation and maintenance of the water and sewer system and the gas system shall first be referred to the committee for its study and recommendation, and no action shall be taken until the recommendation of the committee is received and considered, unless the committee shall fail to return a recommendation within ten days of referral of a matter to it. The committee may make recommendations on its own initiative in which case the board of commissioners may take action on such recommendations without referral to the committee except where the action of the board is contrary to the recommendations. (1997 Code, § 20-104)
- 18-605. <u>Meetings of committee</u>. The committee shall hold a meeting within three (3) days of any meeting of the board of commissioners at which any matter concerning the water and sewer system or the gas system has been referred to it. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each member by the recorder by first class mail. The date of referral shall be the day notice is postmarked. The committee may provide in its rules for the calling of special meetings. (1997 Code, § 20-105)

TITLE 19

ELECTRICITY AND GAS

CHAPTER

- 1. ELECTRICITY.
- 2. GAS.

CHAPTER 1

ELECTRICITY¹

SECTION

19-101. To be furnished under franchise.

19-101. To be furnished under franchise. Electricity shall be furnished for the town and its inhabitants under such franchise as the board of commissioners shall grant.² The rights, powers, duties, and obligations of the town, its inhabitants, and the grantee of the franchise shall be clearly stated in the written franchise agreement which shall be binding on all parties concerned. (1997 Code, § 19-101)

¹Municipal code reference Electrical code: title 12.

²The agreements are of record in the office of the town recorder.

GAS^1

SECTION

19-201. To be furnished under franchise.

19-202. Schedule of rates.

19-201. To be furnished under franchise. Gas service shall be furnished for the town and its inhabitants under such franchise as the board of commissioners shall grant. The rights, powers, duties, and obligations of the town, its inhabitants, and the grantee of the franchise shall be clearly stated in the written franchise agreement which shall be binding on all parties concerned.² (1997 Code, § 19-201)

19-202. <u>Schedule of rates</u>.³ All natural gas shall be furnished under such rate schedules as the Town of Englewood may from time to time adopt by appropriate ordinance. (1997 Code, § 19-202)

¹Municipal code reference Gas code: title 12.

²The agreements are of record in the office of the town recorder.

³Administrative ordinances are of record in the office of the town recorder.

TITLE 20

MISCELLANEOUS

[RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE]

APPENDIX

A. CODE OF ETHICS SUMMARY OF LAWS.

APPENDIX A

CODE OF ETHICS SUMMARY OF LAWS.

1. Campaign finance.

All candidates for the chief administrative office (mayor), any candidates who spend more than \$500, and candidates for other offices that pay at least \$100 a month are required to file campaign financial disclosure reports. Civil penalties of \$25 per day are authorized for late filings. Penalties up to the greater of \$10,000 or 15 percent of the amount in controversy may be levied for filings more than 35 days late. It is a Class E felony for a multicandidate political campaign committee with a prior assessment record to intentionally fail to file a required campaign financial report. Further, the treasurer of such a committee may be personally liable for any penalty levied by the Registry of Election Finance (T.C.A. § 2-10-101-118).

Contributions to political campaigns for municipal candidates are limited to:

- a. \$1,000 from any person (including corporations and other organizations);
 - b. \$5,000 from a multicandidate political campaign committee;
 - c. \$20,000 from the candidate;
 - d. \$20,000 from a political party; and
 - e. \$75,000 from multicandidate political campaign committees.

The Registry of Election Finance may impose a maximum penalty of \$10,000 or 115 percent of the amount of all contributions made or accepted in excess of these limits, whichever is greater (T.C.A. § 2-10-301-310).

Each candidate for local public office must prepare a report of contributions that includes the receipt date of each contribution and a political campaign committee's statement indicating the date of each expenditure (T.C.A. § 2-10-105, 107).

Candidates are prohibited from converting leftover campaign funds to personal use. The funds must be returned to contributors, put in the volunteer public education trust fund, or transferred to another political campaign fund, a political party, a charitable or civic organization, educational institution, or an organization described in 26 U.S.C. 170(c) (T.C.A. § 2-10-114).

2. Conflicts of Interest.

Municipal officers and employees are permitted to have an "indirect interest" in contracts with their municipality if the officers or employees publicly acknowledge their interest. An indirect interest is any interest that is not "direct," except it includes a direct interest if the officer is the only supplier of goods or services in a municipality. A "direct interest" is any contract with the official himself or with any business of which the official is the sole proprietor,

a partner, or owner of the largest number of outstanding shares held by any individual or corporation. Except as noted, direct interests are absolutely prohibited (T.C.A. § 6-2-402, T.C.A. § 6-20-205, T.C.A. § 6-54-107-108, T.C.A. § 12-4-101-102).

3. Disclosure conflict of interests.

Conflict of interest disclosure reports by any candidate or appointee to a local public office are required under T.C.A. §§ 8-50-501 et seq. Detailed financial information is required, including the names of corporations or organizations in which the official or one immediate family member has an investment of over \$10,000 or 5 percent of the total capital. This must be filed no later than 30 days after the last day legally allowed for qualifying as a candidate. As long as an elected official holds office, he or she must file an amended statement with the Tennessee Ethics Commission or inform that office in writing that an amended statement is not necessary because nothing has changed. The amended statement must be filed no later than January 31 of each year (T.C.A. § 8-50-504).

4. Consulting fee prohibition for elected municipal officials.

Any member or member-elect of a municipal governing body is prohibited under T.C.A. § 2-10-124 from "knowingly" receiving any form of compensation for "consulting services" other than compensation paid by the state, county, or municipality. Violations are punishable as Class C felonies if the conduct constitutes bribery under T.C.A. § 39-16-102. Other violations are prosecuted as Class A misdemeanors. A conviction under either statute disqualifies the offender from holding any office under the laws or Constitution of the State of Tennessee.

"Consulting services" under T.C.A. § 2-10-122 means "services to advise or assist a person or entity in influencing legislative or administrative action, as that term is defined in § 3-6-301, relative to the municipality or county represented by that official." "Consulting services" also means services to advise or assist a person or entity in maintaining, applying for, soliciting or entering into a contract with the municipality represented by that official. "Consulting services" does not mean the practice or business of law in connection with representation of clients by a licensed attorney in a contested case action, administrative proceeding or rule making procedure;

"Compensation" does not include an "honorarium" under T.C.A. § 2-10-116, or certain gifts under T.C.A. § 3-6-305(b), which are defined and prohibited under those statutes.

The attorney general construes "Consulting services" to include advertising or other informational services that directly promote specific legislation or specifically target legislators or state executive officials. Advertising aimed at the general public that does not promote or otherwise attempt to influence specific legislative or administrative action is not prohibited. Op. Atty.Gen. No. 05-096, June 17, 2005.

5. Bribery offenses.

- a. A person who is convicted of bribery of a public servant, as defined in T.C.A. § 39-16-102, or a public servant who is convicted of accepting a bribe under the statute, commits a Class B felony.
- b. Under T.C.A. § 39-16-103, a person convicted of bribery is disqualified from ever holding office again in the state. Conviction while in office will not end the person's term of office under this statute, but a person may be removed from office pursuant to any law providing for removal or expulsion existing prior to the conviction.
- c. A public servant who requests a pecuniary benefit for performing an act the person would have had to perform without the benefit or for a lesser fee, may be convicted of a Class E felony for solicitation of unlawful compensation under T.C.A. § 39-16-104.
- d. A public servant convicted of "buying and selling in regard to offices" under T.C.A. § 39-16-105, may be found guilty of a Class C felony. Offenses under this statute relevant to public officials are selling, resigning, vacating, or refusing to qualify and enter upon the duties of the office for pecuniary gain, or entering into any kind of borrowing or selling for anything of value with regard to the office.
- e. Exceptions to 1, 3, and 4, above include lawful contributions to political campaigns, and a "trivial benefit" that is "incidental to personal, professional, or business contacts" in which there is no danger of undermining an official's impartiality.

6. Official misconduct. official oppression, misuse of official information.

a. Public misconduct offenses under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> § 39-16-401 through § 39-16-404 apply to officers, elected officials, employees, candidates for nomination or election to public office, and persons performing a governmental function under claim of right even though not qualified to do so.

- b. Official misconduct under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> § 39-16-402 pertains to acts related to a public servant's office or employment committed with an intent to obtain a benefit or to harm another. Acts constituting an offense include the unauthorized exercise of official power, acts exceeding one's official power, failure to perform a duty required by law, and receiving a benefit not authorized by law. Offenses under this section constitute a Class E felony.
- c. Under <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> § 39-16-403, "Official oppression," a public servant acting in an official capacity who intentionally arrests, detains, frisks, etc., or intentionally prevents another from enjoying a right or privilege commits a Class E felony.
- d. <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> § 39-16-404 prohibits a public servant's use of information attained in an official capacity, to attain a benefit or aid another which has not been made public. Offenses under the section are Class B misdemeanors.
- e. A public servant convicted for any of the offenses summarized in sections 2-4 above shall be removed from office or discharged from a position of employment, in addition to the criminal penalties provided for each offense. Additionally, an elected or appointed official is prohibited from holding another appointed or elected office for ten (10) years. At-will employees convicted will be discharged, but are not prohibited from working in public service for any specific period. Subsequent employment is left to the discretion of the hiring entity for those employees. Tennessee Code Annotated § 39-16-406.

7. Ouster law.

Some Tennessee city charters include ouster provisions, but the only general law procedure for removing elected officials from office is judicial ouster. Cities are entitled to use their municipal charter ouster provisions, or they may proceed under state law.

The judicial ouster procedure applies to all officers, including people holding any municipal "office of trust or profit." (Note that it must be an "office" filled by an "officer," distinguished from an "employee" holding a "position" that does not have the attributes of an "office.") The statute makes any officer subject to such removal "who shall knowingly or willfully misconduct himself in office, or who shall knowingly or willfully neglect to perform any duty enjoined upon such officer by any of the laws of the state, or who shall in any public place be in a state of intoxication produced by strong drink voluntarily taken, or who shall engage in any form of illegal gambling, or who shall commit any act constituting a violation of any penal statute involving moral turpitude" (T.C.A. § 8-47-101).

T.C.A. § 8-47-122(b) allows the taxing of costs and attorney fees against the complainant in an ouster suit if the complaint subsequently is withdrawn or deemed meritless. Similarly, after a final judgment in an ouster suit, governments may order reimbursement of attorney fees to the officer targeted in a failed ouster attempt

(T.C.A. § 8-47-121).

The local attorney general or city attorney has a legal "duty" to investigate a written allegation that an officer has been guilty of any of the mentioned offenses. If he or she finds that "there is reasonable cause for such complaint, he shall forthwith institute proceedings in the Circuit, Chancery, or Criminal Court of the proper county." However, with respect to the city attorney, there may be an irreconcilable conflict between that duty and the city attorney's duties to the city, the mayor, and the rules of professional responsibility governing attorneys. Also, an attorney general or city attorney may act on his or her own initiative without a formal complaint (T.C.A. § 8-47-101-102). The officer must be removed from office if found guilty (T.C.A. § 8-47-120).

ORDINANCE NO. 04-14-08-01

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING A CODIFICATION AND REVISION OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF ENGLEWOOD, TENNESSEE.

 $\label{eq:WHEREAS} \textbf{Some of the ordinances of the Town of Englewood are obsolete},$ and

WHEREAS some of the other ordinances of the town are inconsistent with each other or are otherwise inadequate, and

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood, Tennessee, has caused its ordinances of a general, continuing, and permanent application or of a penal nature to be codified and revised and the same are embodied in a code of ordinances known as the "Englewood Municipal Code," now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF ENGLEWOOD:

- <u>Section 1. Ordinances codified</u>. The ordinances of the town of a general, continuing, and permanent application or of a penal nature, as codified and revised in the following "titles," namely "titles" 1 to 20, both inclusive, are ordained and adopted as the "Englewood Municipal Code," hereinafter referred to as the "municipal code."
- <u>Section 2. Ordinances repealed</u>. All ordinances of a general, continuing, and permanent application or of a penal nature not contained in the municipal code are hereby repealed from and after the effective date of said code, except as hereinafter provided in Section 3 below.
- Section 3. Ordinances saved from repeal. The repeal provided for in Section 2 of this ordinance shall not affect: Any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any contract or right established or accruing before the effective date of the municipal code; any ordinance or resolution promising or requiring the payment of money by or to the town or authorizing the issuance of any bonds or other evidence of said town's indebtedness; any appropriation ordinance or ordinance providing for the levy of taxes or any budget ordinance; any contract or obligation assumed by or in favor of said town; any ordinance establishing a social security system or providing coverage under that system; any administrative ordinances or resolutions not in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of such code; the

portion of any ordinance not in conflict with such code which regulates speed, direction of travel, passing, stopping, yielding, standing, or parking on any specifically named public street or way; any right or franchise granted by the town; any ordinance dedicating, naming, establishing, locating, relocating, opening, paving, widening, vacating, etc., any street or public way; any ordinance establishing and prescribing the grade of any street; any ordinance providing for local improvements and special assessments therefor; any ordinance dedicating or accepting any plat or subdivision; any prosecution, suit, or other proceeding pending or any judgment rendered on or prior to the effective date of said code; any zoning ordinance or amendment thereto or amendment to the zoning map; nor shall such repeal affect any ordinance annexing territory to the town.

<u>Section 4.</u> Continuation of existing provisions. Insofar as the provisions of the municipal code are the same as those of ordinances existing and in force on its effective date, said provisions shall be considered to be continuations thereof and not as new enactments.

Section 5. Penalty clause. Unless otherwise specified in a title, chapter or section of the municipal code, including the codes and ordinances adopted by reference, whenever in the municipal code any act is prohibited or is made or declared to be a civil offense, or whenever in the municipal code the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be a civil offense, the violation of any such provision of the municipal code shall be punished by a civil penalty of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) and costs for each separate violation; provided, however, that the imposition of a civil penalty under the provisions of this municipal code shall not prevent the revocation of any permit or license or the taking of other punitive or remedial action where called for or permitted under the provisions of the municipal code or other applicable law. In any place in the municipal code the term "it shall be a misdemeanor" or "it shall be an offense" or "it shall be unlawful" or similar terms appears in the context of a penalty provision of this municipal code, it shall mean "it shall be a civil offense." Anytime the word "fine" or similar term appears in the context of a penalty provision of this municipal code, it shall mean "a civil penalty."1

Each day any violation of the municipal code continues shall constitute a separate civil offense.

¹State law reference

For authority to allow deferred payment of fines, or payment by installments, see <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 40-24-101 <u>et seq</u>.

Section 6. Severability clause. Each section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, and clause of the municipal code, including the codes and ordinances adopted by reference, is hereby declared to be separable and severable. The invalidity of any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, or clause in the municipal code shall not affect the validity of any other portion of said code, and only any portion declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction shall be deleted therefrom.

Section 7. Reproduction and amendment of code. The municipal code shall be reproduced in loose-leaf form. The board of commissioners, by motion or resolution, shall fix, and change from time to time as considered necessary, the prices to be charged for copies of the municipal code and revisions thereto. After adoption of the municipal code, each ordinance affecting the code shall be adopted as amending, adding, or deleting, by numbers, specific chapters or sections of said code. Periodically thereafter all affected pages of the municipal code shall be revised to reflect such amended, added, or deleted material and shall be distributed to town officers and employees having copies of said code and to other persons who have requested and paid for current revisions. Notes shall be inserted at the end of amended or new sections, referring to the numbers of ordinances making the amendments or adding the new provisions, and such references shall be cumulative if a section is amended more than once in order that the current copy of the municipal code will contain references to all ordinances responsible for current provisions. One copy of the municipal code as originally adopted and one copy of each amending ordinance thereafter adopted shall be furnished to the Municipal Technical Advisory Service immediately upon final passage and adoption.

Section 8. Construction of conflicting provisions. Where any provision of the municipal code is in conflict with any other provision in said code, the provision which establishes the higher standard for the promotion and protection of the public health, safety, and welfare shall prevail.

Section 9. Code available for public use. A copy of the municipal code shall be kept available in the recorder's office for public use and inspection at all reasonable times.

Section 10. Date of effect. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its final passage, the public welfare requiring it, and the municipal code, including all the codes and ordinances therein adopted by reference, shall be effective on and after that date.

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