TITLE 7

FIRE PROTECTION AND FIREWORKS¹

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CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

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7-101. <u>Storage of explosives, flammable liquids, etc</u>. The storage of explosives and blasting agents at any location within the corporate limits is prohibited.

The bulk storage of liquified petroleum gas at any location within the corporate limits is prohibited. (1983 Code, § 7-101, as amended by Ord. #98-99-01, June 1999)

7-102. <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. (1983 Code, § 7-102)

7-103. <u>Fire limits described</u>. The fire limits of the Town of Hollow Rock shall be all of that area located within the corporate limits of the town except as otherwise provided by any zoning ordinance or by temporary directive of the chief of the fire department. (Ord. #90-3, July 1990)

7-104. <u>**Open fires prohibited--permits**</u>. (1) No person shall set fire, kindle or maintain any bonfire, grass fire, rubbish fire or any other open air and unconfined fire or authorize any such fire to be set, kindled or maintained

¹Municipal code reference

Building, utility and housing codes: title 12.

without first obtaining a valid permit or other proper authorization from the town secretary.

(2) Permits may be obtained from the town secretary during regular business hours at the town hall upon proper application and the payment of any fees as established by the board of mayor and aldermen.

(3) Any violation of this section is punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00). (Ord. #90-4, July 1990)

7-105. <u>Power to forbid starting of fires during drought</u>. (1) During periods of extreme drought in this town, or in any area of the town, the mayor is hereby authorized and empowered to issue proclamations forbidding the starting of any open air and unconfined fire with or without a permit where dangerous fire hazards exist during the period of such drought.

(2) If the mayor issues a proclamation pursuant to this section, anyone igniting an open air or unconfined fire in violation of the proclamation shall be guilty of a violation of this section, punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00). (Ord. #90-5, July 1990)

CHAPTER 2

FIRE DEPARTMENT¹

SECTION

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7-201. Establishment, equipment, and membership. There is hereby established a fire department to be supported and equipped from appropriations by the governing body. 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 governing body and such number of physically-fit subordinate officers and firemen as the chief shall appoint. (1983 Code, § 7-201)

7-202. <u>Objectives</u>. The fire department shall have as its objectives:

- (1) To prevent uncontrolled fires from starting.
- (2) To prevent the loss of life and property because of fires.
- (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. (1983 Code, § 7-202)

7-203. <u>Organization, rules, and regulations</u>. 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. (1983 Code, § 7-203)

7-204. <u>Records and reports</u>. The chief of the fire department shall keep adequate records of all fires, inspections, apparatus, equipment, personnel, and work of the department. He shall submit a written report on such matters

¹Municipal code reference

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

to the mayor once each month, and at the end of the year a detailed annual report shall be made. (1983 Code, § 7-204)

7-205. <u>Tenure and compensation of members</u>. The chief shall hold office so long as his conduct and efficiency are satisfactory to the board of mayor and aldermen. 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. The chief may be suspended up to thirty (30) days by the mayor but may be dismissed only by the board of mayor and aldermen.

All personnel of the fire department shall receive such compensation for their services as the board of mayor and aldermen may from time to time prescribe. (1983 Code, \S 7-205)

7-206. <u>Chief responsible for training and maintenance</u>. The chief of the fire department, shall be fully responsible for the training of the firemen and for maintenance of all property and equipment of the fire department. The minimum training shall consist of having the personnel take the fire apparatus out for practice operations not less than once a month. (1983 Code, § 7-206)

7-207. <u>Chief to be assistant to state officer</u>. Pursuant to requirements of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 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 <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 68, chapter 102, and shall be subject to the directions of the fire prevention commissioner in the execution of the provisions thereof. (1983 Code, § 7-208)

CHAPTER 3

FIRE SERVICE OUTSIDE TOWN LIMITS

SECTION

7-301. Equipment to be used only within corporate limits generally.

7-301. Equipment to be used only within corporate limits generally. No equipment of the fire department shall be used for fighting any fire outside the corporate limits unless the fire is on town property or, in the opinion of the mayor or chief of the fire department, is in such hazardous proximity to property owned by or located within the town as to endanger the town property or unless expressly authorized in writing by the board of mayor and aldermen. (1983 Code, § 7-207)