Chapter 6. BUILDING SEWERS AND CONNECTIONS

Section 6.10.

(a) No person shall make a connection to any sewer main of the District without first obtaining a written connection permit from the District to do so and without first paying the charge prescribed by the District under Section 4.30.

(b) No person other than a state licensed plumber shall uncover, make any connections with or opening into, use, alter, or disturb any public sewer or appurtenance thereof.

Section 6.20. Before connecting to the sanitary sewer system, the owner or owner's agent shall make application on a special form furnished by the District. The Connection Permit Application shall be supplemented by any plans, specifications, or other information considered pertinent in the judgment of the District, and shall be accompanied by the Permit Application fee set from time to time by the Commission. The applicant shall also be responsible for any expenses of the District in considering and deciding upon the application. The District may require the applicant to make a deposit against these costs as a condition for consideration of the application.

Section 6.30. After consideration of the permit application, the Commission shall grant or deny a Preliminary Connection Permit. The granting of the Preliminary Connection Permit means that the District has approved the connection plans. It does not constitute an Authorization to Proceed with the connection. In granting a Preliminary Connection Permit, the Commission may prescribe the location, type, and other characteristics of the connection.

Section 6.40.

(a) The owner or owner's agent may request an Authorization to Proceed with an approved connection upon providing to the Commission the following:

(1) Proof of licensure of the state licensed plumber who will be making the connection;

(2) A certificate of liability insurance sufficient to indemnify the District and its officers and agents, and holding them harmless against all damages, injuries and costs, arising out of the work to be performed. Additionally, a surety bond may be required by the District to cover the costs of all work to be performed on the project, including the completion, restoration and replacement of the premises to as good a condition as they were in before such work was commenced and guaranteeing the faithful performance of all work with proper care and skill. Such bond shall remain in force until the completion of the work and its approval by the District.

(3) Payment of the charge as required under Sec. 4.30(a).

(b) The owner or owner's agent may request an Authorization to Proceed at the same time as the application for a connection permit is made, by supplying at that time all of the submittals required under Sec. 6.40(a).

Section 6.50. Upon satisfactory receipt of the items required under Section 6.40, the District shall issue an Authorization to Proceed.

Section 6.60. All costs and expense incident to the installation and connection of the building, shall be borne by the applicant and the applicant shall indemnify the District from any loss or damage that may directly or indirectly be occasioned by the installation of the building sewer.

Section 6.70. The property owner shall be responsible for the operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of the lateral on all private property and up to the connection to District provided line, including any injection pump into the GBWTTPC force main. The Commission may require a separate and independent building sewer lateral and/or injection pump to be provided for every building intended for human habitation or occupancy. Any permit allowing more than one building to be connected to one sewer lateral and/or injection pump shall assign, and the permittee(s) shall accept, joint and several liability, running with the land, of all responsibility for the operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of any lateral and/or injection pump, and of any damage to the public sewer system. All such permits shall be recorded in the office of the Bayfield County Register of Deeds against all properties affected by the permit. No such permit shall restrict the Commission from exercising its authority under Sec. 4.40 of this Ordinance.

Section 6.80. Old building sewer laterals may be used in connection with new buildings, and may be connected to a main, only when they are found, on examination and test by the District, at the owner's expense, to meet all requirements of this Ordinance.

Section 6.90. The size, slope, alignment, materials of construction of a building sewer lateral, and the methods to be used in excavating, placing of the pipe, jointing, testing, backfilling the trench, and connecting to the District main shall all conform to the requirements of the District or other applicable rules and regulations pertinent to the installation.

Section 6.100. Whenever possible, the building sewer shall be brought to the building at an elevation below the basement floor. 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 an approved means and discharged to the building sewer at the owner's expense.

Section 6.110. Roof-leaders, surface drains, groundwater drains, foundation drains, and other clear water drains shall not be connected to a building sewer which discharges into a sanitary sewer or private sewage treatment facility. All such connections existing at the time of passage of this Ordinance shall thereafter be illegal. If storm water is being discharged or collected into a sanitary sewer, the District shall give the offending person fifteen (15) days notice to disconnect. Failure to disconnect after such notice shall authorize the District to cause disconnection against the property involved, at the expense of the property owner. The District may, in the alternative, institute action for violation of this subsection and remediation of the offense.

Section 6.120. The connection of the building sewer into the public sewer shall conform to the requirements of all applicable laws.

Section 6.130. The applicant for the building sewer connection permit shall provide adequate notice to the District, as determined by the District, when the building sewer is ready for inspection and connection to the public sewer, so that the District's representative may supervise the connection. No connection shall be made except under the supervision of the District representative, at the owner's cost.

Section 6.140. All excavations for building sewer installation shall be adequately guarded by the property owner 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 District at the property owner's expense.