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ORDINANCE NO. 349

AN ORDINANCE FOR ALLOWANCES FOR CERTAIN WATER LEAKS; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-101 AND 15-214 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PAWNEE ROCK KANSAS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Pawnee Rock, Kansas:

SECTION 1: Section 15-101 of the Code of the City of Pawnee Rock is hereby amended to read as follows:

15-101. DEFINITIONS. For purposes of this article chapter the following words shall mean:

- (a) <u>utility services</u> shall include water, electrical, sewer, solid waste (refuse) and other utility services provided by the city.
- (b) <u>water leaks</u> shall mean an unintentional water loss caused by broken and/or malfunctioning plumbing fixtures and/or pipes within a residence or building or buried lines. A leak occurs when there is a failure of the plumbing system to do what it is designed to do. This does not include ongoing leaking toilets, dripping faucets, malfunctioning appliances and similar situations.
- (c) <u>catastrophic leak</u> a leak consisting of at least five units of loss caused by structural failure.

 (Ord. 267; Ord. 349;Code 2011)

SECTION 2: Section 15-214 of the Code of the City of Pawnee Rock is hereby amended to read as follows:

15-214. LEAKS PROHIBITED; PENALTY. No allowances shall be made for water used or lost through leaks, carelessness, neglect or otherwise after the same has pass through the meter. However, Every customer shall have the right to appeal to the city from water bill or meter reading which he or she may consider excessive. A water leak adjustment can only be deemed eligible for adjustment by the Mayor and City Council. It must be a catastrophic leak to qualify. If deemed eligible the customer's bill will be charged the average water usage from six months prior to the time the leak occurred. Only one allowance will be given per year. Customer must show proof leak has been fixed.

(Code 2011;Ord. 349)

SECTION 3: Sections 15-101, and 15-214 of the code of the City of Pawnee Rock, and all other Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its adoption, passage and publication in the Great Bend Tribune.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAWNEE ROCK, this Seventh day of December, 2020.

Terry A Mead, Mayor

Attested:

Marisa Mommens, City Clerk