

**RULES AND REGULATIONS  
OF THE  
VILLAGE OF ARGYLE  
WATER SYSTEM  
ARGYLE, N. Y.**

Priorities of the water system are listed in the following order:

- 1) Drinking Water
- 2) Fire Protection
- 3) Household Use
- 4) Commercial Use
- 5) Fund Raising

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1) The Board of Trustees shall appoint a person to be known as the Water Commissioner. The Water Commissioner will serve at the pleasure of the Board and will have charge of the water system of the Village of Argyle, N.Y.

Included in the duties of the Water Commissioner will be the following:

- A) It shall be his duty to superintend the construction, repair and improvements of the Water System as he may be directed by the Board.

thereafter, any other use of the water additional service, pipes or plumbing fixture is repaired, a further application must be made as aforesaid. All applications must be made to the Village Clerk and approved by the Board of Trustees upon forms furnished by the said Board of Trustees.

3) No person shall have a right to water for any purpose without first submitting a written application to the Village Clerk, which application must be then approved by the Board of Trustees. No person receiving approval for water use shall suffer it to be wasted by any person. Water shall not be used for any purpose, not authorized by the person

4) Each service pipe must be equipped with a valve at or near the curb and covered with a suitable iron valve box, leading to the surface of the ground, subject at all times to the control of the Water Commissioner. If any person shall open or interfere with the same in any way, without written authority of the Water Commissioner, he shall be in violation of these regulations and shall be subject to a fine in the amount of \$100.00 for each offense.

5) All water rents shall be due and payable semi-annually on the first business

B) He shall inspect the reservoir, pipe and hydrants at reasonable intervals and perform such other duties as the Board may require.

C) He shall have charge of any water meters and read or cause to be read all meters at prescribed intervals.

D) He shall keep meters in repair and perform such other acts as may be necessary in the carrying out of his duties.

E) He shall make such tests, analysis and reports as may be required by the State Department of Health or other appropriate agencies.

F) He shall perform such other acts as may be necessary in the performance of his duties.

2) All applications for introduction of water to any premises, or for the extension of any pipe or pipes for the conveyance of such water, shall be signed by the property owner or his agent, and shall state fully and fairly all and several of the various uses for which the water is to be supplied and used. Whenever,

day of March and the first business day of September, in advance; and if any rent shall not be paid by first business day of the following month, five per cent will be added on the first day of each month for which the bill remains unpaid. If payment is delayed more than 60 days, the water service may be terminated by the Village without notice. It shall be the duty of the Water Commissioner when directed by the Board of Trustees, to turn the water off and report the same to the Board of Trustees, in which case the water will not be turned on again until all back rents are paid and an additional sum of \$15.00 for the turning the same on again.

6) In the case of fraudulent misrepresentation on the part of the applicant, or for uses not enumerated in his application, or for willful and unreasonable waste of water, the Board of Trustees shall have the right to stop the supply of water.

7) No person, other than the Water Commissioner of the Village of Argyle, N. Y. shall tap any main pipe, nor tap any pipe laid for the purpose or with the intent of supplying water facilities to themselves or to other persons or other premises, or for other purposes than those for which such pipes were first permitted to be laid.

No water main may be tapped after November 1st and before April 1st in each year, except at the discretion of the Water Commissioner.

The turning on of the water shall, in all cases, be done by the authorized agents of the Board of Trustees and if the agent finds the water is to be used for purposes not stated in the permit, he shall refuse to turn on the water until the applicant corrects the application and it is approved by the Board of Trustees.

8) No extension or alteration of any service pipe or fixture can be made without a permit from the Board of Trustees.

9) Every building supplied shall be under control at the street of a corporation stop cock.

10) When more than one supply is made through one service pipe and under control at the street of one corporation stop cock, one person must make application for all said supplies, and the bill will be made to said applicant for all parties so supplied.

11) All service pipe must be laid at least 4½ feet below the surface of the sidewalk or

The Water Department and Board of Trustees of the Village of Argyle shall not be liable for any damages which may result to any person or premises from shutting off of the water from any main or service, whether inside or outside the corporate limits of the Village, for any purpose whatever.

15) The Trustees of the Village of Argyle and the Water Commissioner shall at all reasonable hours, have free access to buildings supplied with water, to examine the pipes and fixtures and to ascertain whether there is any unnecessary waste of water or misuse.

16) The Board of Trustees shall have the right to change the annual rates, or alter the Rules and Regulations as the interest of the Village may demand. The right is reserved by the Board of Trustees to open any street in the Village of Argyle, and to have access to any transmission lines, for the repairing, laying or changing of water pipes and no person shall have the right to open any street in the Village of Argyle without permission of the Board of Trustees.

17) When in the judgement of the Board of Trustees it is necessary to prevent the will-

pavement, and kept in good repair at the expense of the owner. There shall be a stop and waste cock upon the service, within the walls of the building, easily accessible to the occupant for their protection, in enabling them to turn off the water in case of leaks and to drain the pipes inside to prevent freezing, etc. No person, without permission of the Board of Trustees, shall interfere with or alter the stop cock in any manner, except to shut off the water from the branch when necessary.

12) Each person entitled to water shall be responsible for his branch, and in case it is defective, the supply of water shall be stopped until repaired.

13) The Board of Trustees reserve the right to restrict, prohibit, or otherwise control the use of street, garden, or lawn sprinklers.

14) The Board of Trustees or the Water Commissioner shall have full right at all times whenever, in their opinion, the public good or necessity requires or demands it to regulate, diminish, or entirely cut off the supply of water and to make all such regulations and rules for the use or for diminishing the use thereof as they shall think proper.

ful or negligent waste of water or when plumbing is defective, they reserve the right to put a water meter on any service pipe and charge for the water at meter rates to be established by the Board of Trustees. Ten per cent of the cost of the meter and the expense of installing the meter will be charged as rent for ten (10) years and added to the amount of water charge.

18) No consumer shall habitually permit others, non-residents, to use water from his faucet or to make any connection in any manner therewith, unless such parties are paying for such water at regular rates, under penalty of having their water shut off.

19) Water service taps shall be limited to ¾ inch in size and it is the responsibility of the consumer to maintain their system in such a way that it guarantees that the system will not be contaminated in any way in the event of a pressure drop or unforeseen accident. The consumer will be liable if his system fails.

20) Every person who shall be supplied or whose property shall be supplied with water by the Water Department of the Village of Argyle, whether such property supplied shall be inside or outside of the corporate

limits of the Village, shall be deemed to have accepted, and approved the rules of the Village regulating the supplying of water. Whenever the word "Consumer" shall be used in the Rules and Regulations, it shall mean the owner or owners of the premises. The continuance of the consumer to take water after any amendment or change of the Rules and Regulations shall be deemed an acceptance of such amendment or change.

21) There shall be no extensions or additional water services outside the corporate limits of the Village of Argyle.