

AN ORDINANCE CONSTITUTING A BOARD OF HEALTH, AND PRESCIBING THE POWERS AND DUTIES THEREOF

ORDINANCE NO. 20

The City Council of the City of Alexandria do ordain as follows:

- Sec. 1. There is hereby constituted and provided, in and for the City of Alexandria, a Board to be known as the Alexandria Board of Health.
- Sec. 2. Said Board of Health shall consist of three members who shall be appointed by the City Council, and at least one of whom shall be a regular practicing physician, and a graduate of some reputable Medical College.
- Sec. 3. Said Board of Health shall report all nuisances endangering the public health or safety, and also all business or occupations which may be carried on in a manner deleterious or injuries to the health and safety, and also the case and description of all lots within the City of Alexandria, on which water is allowed to and does collect, stand and stagnate in such manner as to endanger the public health and safety, to the City Marshall, without dealy upon ascertaining the existence of said nuisances, deleterious occupations, and standing water herein before mentioned; said Board of Health shall also have general supervision over the health of the City, and all necessary power to carry such supervision and this ordinance into effect.
- Sec. 4. The Marshall of the City shall immediately upon notification being given him as aforesaid, by the Board of Health of the existence of any nuisance, business, or stagnant water deleterious to the public health and safety as aforesaid, given notice in writing to the owners, occupants, or proprietors of said nuisance, business or place of business is carried on in an injurious or deleterious manner, or lot or lots on which water is allowed to stand and stagnate to forthwith abate said nuisance or forthwith cease to carry on said business or occupation in a manner injurious or deleterious to the public health or safety, or forthwith fill up and drain said lot or lots so that water shall not stand and stagnate upon them as the case may be.
- Sec. 5. If the owner, occupant or proprietor or said nuisance, business, or lot shall fail or refuse upon being so notified by the Marshall to forthwith abate said nuisance, or cease to carry on such business in a manner injurious or deleterious to the public health or safety, or to fill up and drain said lot or lots, then it shall be the duty of the Marshall, and he is hereby authorized to abate said nuisance or to compel by arrest such owner, occupant or proprietor of any business of occupation carried on in a manner injurious or deleterious to the public health or safety to cease said business or occupation or to full up and drain such lot or lots, on which water is allowed to stand and stagnate, at the expense of the owner of said lot.
- Sec. 6. Any person or person who shall refuse or fail when notified by the Marshall, as herein before provided, to abate any nuisance or cease to carry on any business in a manner deleterious or injurious to the public health or safety or to fill up and drean any lot or lots on which water is allowed to stand and stagnate, shall be subject to arrest, and to a fine not exceeding one hundred

dollars in amount or imprisonment not exceeding thirty days in duration, or to both said fine and imprisonment.

This Ordinance shall take effect the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D. 1886.

Attest:           C. W. McCrone  
                          City Clerk

P. F. Wickhern  
                          Mayor

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. Twenty (20) as passes by the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Hanson County, D.T. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, A.D. 1886.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D. 1887.

P. F. Wickhern  
                          Mayor

C. W. McCrone  
                          City Clerk