

## ORDINANCE 204

### An Ordinance Permitting the Establishment of Water Restrictions

**Whereas**, the Bird Island water supply system may reach critical levels due to summer peak usage or other emergency; and

**Whereas**, a possibility of water shortage is made more critical by hot and dry weather conditions; and

**Whereas**, lack of adequate water volume could cause serious fire protection problems; and


**Whereas**, it has been determined that a watering ban may be implemented in order to assure the safety and well being of the residents of the City of Bird Island.

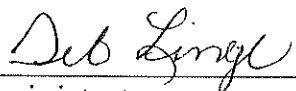
**Now, therefore, be it resolved**, that the Bird Island City Council hereby may establish restrictions for all users of the water system;

1. The Administrator and/or the Public Works Supervisor shall be given the authority to implement emergency restrictions to restrict water use during emergency periods. The Public Works Supervisor shall notify municipal system users of a watering ban by publishing notice in the Bird Island Union and on KOLV radio station.
2. Residents with an odd house number shall water lawns or wash cars when necessary only on odd-numbered calendar days, and those with even-numbered addresses shall water lawns or wash cars only on even-numbered days. Lawns shall not be watered between the hours of 6:00 AM and 10:00 PM.
3. An exception may be granted for recently established lawns. Those lawns may be watered daily for up to one month after installation, but only during the hours listed above.
4. In extreme emergency cases, the Administrator and/or the Public Works Supervisor shall have the authority to issue a total watering ban until such time that the emergency situation ceases to exist.
5. The penalty for violating the watering ban shall be a warning for the first day of violation, a \$25 per day fine for the second violation, and a \$50 per day fine for the third violation.

This Ordinance becomes effective upon its passage and publication according to law.

Passed by the City Council of Bird Island this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009.

  
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Mayor

  
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Administrator