## **CHAPTER 14**

# **BUILDING REGULATIONS**

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- (1) PERMITS REQUIRED. No building or any part thereof shall hereafter be erected or ground broken for the same within the city of Fountain City, Wisconsin except as hereinafter provided, until a permit therefore shall first have been obtained by the owner, or his authorized agent, from the building inspector. The term "building" as used in this section shall include any building or structure, and any enlargement, alteration, heating or ventilation installation, moving or demolishing, or anything affecting the fire hazards or safety of any building or structure.
- (2) APPLICATION. Application for a building permit shall be made in writing to the building inspector and shall state the name and address of the owner of the land, and also of the owner of the building if different, the legal description of the land upon which the building is to be located, the name and address of the designer and shall contain such other information as the building inspector shall require.
- (3) MINOR REPAIRS. The building inspector may authorize minor repairs or alterations valued at less than five hundred dollars which do not change the occupancy, area, structural strength, fire protection, exits, light or ventilation of the building without requiring a building permit to be issued.
  - (4) FEES. The fee for all building permits shall be forty dollars (\$40.00).
- (5) INSPECTION OF WORK. The building inspector shall inspect all buildings at such times as (s)he deems necessary to see that they comply with said city ordinances and regulations and the laws and orders of the State of Wisconsin which relate to building construction.
- (6) UNSAFE BUILDINGS. Whenever the building inspector finds any building or part thereof with the city to be in his judgment so old, dilapidated or so out of repair as to be dangerous, unsafe, unsanitary or otherwise unfit for human habitation, occupancy or use, and

so that it would be unreasonable to repair the same, he shall order the owner to raze and remove such building or part thereof, or if it can be made safe by repairs, to repair and make safe and sanitary or to raze and remove at the owner's option. Such order and proceedings shall be as provided in section 66.05(5) of the Wisconsin statutes.

- (7) PORTIONS OF STATE CODE ADOPTED. The Wisconsin State Building code issued by the Industrial Commission of Wisconsin, effective July 29, 1942, is hereby made by reference a part of this ordinance with respect to those classes of buildings to which the said code specifically applied.
- (8) LIABILITY. This section shall not be construed as assuming any liability on the part of the city for damages to anyone injured or for any property destroyed by any defect in any building or equipment.