

# VILLAGE OF OTTOVILLE, OHIO

## ORDINANCE NO. 2019-01

### **AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE MEANS FOR PROTECTING THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM FROM CONTAMINATION DUE TO BACKFLOW OF CONTAMINANTS THROUGH THE WATER SERVICE CONNECTION INTO THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM. (CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL).**

**WHEREAS**, The Ohio Revised Code requires protection of the public water system from contaminants due to backflow of contaminants through water service connections, and

**WHEREAS**, The Ohio E.P.A. requires the maintenance of a continuing program of cross-connection control which will systematically and effectively prevent the contamination of all potable water systems,

**WHEREAS**, In order to accomplish these goals it is necessary to introduce restrictions that go beyond the usual plumbing code requirements,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF OTTOVILLE, STATE OF OHIO, a majority of its members concurring hereto that,

**SECTION 1.** That if in the judgement of the Director of Utilities, an approved backflow prevention is necessary for the safety of the public water system; the Director of Utilities will give notice to the water consumer to install such an approved device immediately. The water consumer shall at his own expense, install such an approved device at a location and in a manner approved by the Director of Utilities and shall have the inspections and tests made of such approved devices as required.

**SECTION 2.** That no person, firm, or corporation shall establish or permit to be established or maintain or permit to be maintained any connection whereby a private, auxiliary or emergency water supply other than the regular public water supply of Ottoville may enter the supply or distributing system of said Village, unless such private, auxiliary or emergency water supply and the method of connection have been approved by the Director of Utilities of Ottoville and by the Ohio E.P.A.

**SECTION 3.** That it shall be the duty of the Director of Utilities to cause surveys and investigations to be made of industrial and other properties served by the public water supply where actual or potential hazards to the public water supply may exist. Such surveys and investigations shall be made a matter of public record and shall be repeated as often as necessary.

**SECTION 4.** That the Director of Utilities of Ottoville, or his duly authorized representatives shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the public water supply or distributing system of Ottoville, for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems thereof. On demand, the owner, lessees or occupants of any property so

served, shall furnish to the Director of Utilities any information which he may request regarding the piping system or water use on such property. The refusal of such information, when demanded, shall within the discretion of the Director of Utilities, be deemed evidence of the present of improper connections as provided in this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** That the Director of Utilities of Ottoville is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue, after reasonable notice to the occupant thereof, the water service to any property wherein any connection in violation of the provisions of this ordinance is known to exist, and to take such other precautionary measures as he may deem necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water supply distribution mains. Water service to such property shall not be restored until such conditions shall have been eliminated or corrected in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** To prevent back siphon-age, booster pumps connected to the plumbing systems must also have back flow cross connection devices.

**SECTION 7.** That this ordinance repeals Ordinance #177.

**SECTION 8.** That this ordinance is effective at the earliest time allowable under the law.

Date Passed: August 19, 2019

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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