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FIRE DEPARTMENT

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH a Fire Department for the Borough of Donora, and to provide for the Government, Regulation and Control of the same.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the authority of the same that there be established a department of the Borough of Donora, to be called and be known as the Donora Volunteer Fire Company, and that said department shall be under the government, management and control of the Chief Burgess and Town Council in the manner and to the extent of the powers and authority ledged in them respectively as corporate officers.

SECTION 2. That there shall be elected by the Town Council of the Borough of Donora, at any regular meeting of said Council, an officer to be known as the Chief of the Fire Department, who shall serve for the period of one year from the date of his election, or until his successor is duly elected and qualified, and said election shall be subject to the approval or disapproval of the Chief Burgess as in other matters made and provided by law.

SECTION 3. That before entering upon the duties of his office as Chief of the Fire Department he shall take and subscribe an oath in the usual form for the true and faithful performance of all his official duties.

SECTION 4. The Chief of the Fire Department having been duly elected and qualified, shall be at the head of, and have control of the entire fire department, as well as the fire company or companies of said fire department, during the term of his office. He shall also have control and supervision of all fire engines, wagons, reels, hose or fire apparatus, or any other fixtures of any description belonging to the Borough; and it shall be his duty to see that all fire engines, wagons, reels, hose or fire apparati or any other fixtures incident and necessary for the extinguishment of fires are properly arranged and kept in order, so that said fire department can, upon the alarm of fire, discharge its duties with dispatch.

SECTION 5. That the officers of each fire Company shall consist of a Captain, First and Second Lieutenants, Hosemen, Laddermen, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Surgeon and an Attorney.

SECTION 6. That the Captain, Lieutenants, Hosemen, Laddermen, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Surgeon and Attorney shall be nominated and elected by the majority vote of the members of the several and respective fire companies.

SECTION 7. That said several and respective fire companies shall have the right to prescribe and adopt by-laws for the due regulation and government of their respective fire companies; said by-laws shall be subject to the approval

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of the Chief Burgess and Town Council.

SECTION 8. That at the time of all fires the Chief shall have the supreme and absolute command of the fire company or companies, and his subordinate officers shall receive and obey all commands or orders issued by him; and he is further authorized to call upon and use the police force of the borough or any one of them to disperse all collections of idle, disorderly or suspicious persons, or any other persons in anywise interfering or impeding the operations of the said fire company or companies, in the discharge of their respective duties; and any such person or persons refusing to obey such police officer or officers in the discharge of his or their duties under this section shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit and pay to the Borough a fine of not less than five (\$5.00) Dollars nor more than ten (\$10.00) Dollars, together with the costs of prosecution, or in default of payment of such fine and costs of prosecution, shall be imprisoned in the Borough lockup for a period not exceeding five days.

SECTION 9. The Chief Burgess and Town Council shall fix the salaries of any or all of the officers of the fire company or companies.

SECTION 10. The amount of the bond of the Chief of the Fire Department shall be fixed by the Chief Burgess and Town Council.

SECTION 11. All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED in Council this 23rd day of September, A. D. 1901.

W. H. LEWIS,
President pro tem of Council

ATTEST:
C. E. MILLER,
Clerk

Approved this 25th day of September, A. D. 1901.

BERT W. CASTNER,
Burgess.

ATTEST:
C. E. MILLER,
Clerk.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT
THIS IS A CORRECT COPY
OF ORDINANCE NO. 16

Geo. W. Allen
BOROUGH CLERK