

CITY OF ROCK FALLS

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-2528

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE 5
OF THE ROCK FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE
RELATING TO ELECTRICAL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

ADOPTED BY THE
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF ROCK FALLS

THIS 6th DAY OF July, 2021

Published in pamphlet form by authority of the City Council of the City of Rock Falls, Illinois,
this 6th day of July, 2021.

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WHEREAS, Section 11-117-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/1-1-1 et. seq.) authorizes any municipality to acquire, construct, own and operate within the corporate limits of the municipality any public utility the product of which is to be supplied to its inhabitants, including but not limited to electric power, including the adoption of reasonable rules and regulations with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the foregoing, the City of Rock Falls (the “City”) owns and operates its own electrical distribution system for the purpose of providing electrical power to the residents and businesses of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council (collectively, the “Corporate Authorities”) of the City have discussed the needs of the City with respect to the safe and reliable operation of the City’s electrical distribution system; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration, the Corporate Authorities have determined it in the best interests of the City and its residents to amend the provisions of the City Code as it relates to electrical service requirements, all as more specifically set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rock Falls, Whiteside County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1: The City hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are true and correct and does incorporate them into this Ordinance by this reference.

SECTION 2: Chapter 32, Article V, Section 32-344 of the Rock Falls Municipal Code, as amended, shall be further amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 32-344. Wiring conformance required prior to connection.

No premises shall be connected with the municipal electrical distribution system unless the wiring in such premises fully conforms with the provisions of the building code of the city applicable thereto. In addition, the following requirements shall apply:

- (a) all residential and commercial structures shall have an external disconnect;
- (b) all 100-amp capacity service entrance cables to the distribution panel shall consist of a minimum 3/3/3 gauge stranded copper wire or 2/2/2 gauge aluminum wire;

- (c) all 200-amp capacity service entrance cables to the distribution panel shall consist of a minimum 2/0 2/0 2/0 gauge stranded copper wire or 4/0 4/0 4/0 gauge stranded aluminum wire;
- (d) 100-amp service circuit breaker panels shall utilize a minimum of 20-amp circuit breakers;
- (e) 200-amp service circuit breaker panels shall utilize a minimum of 30-amp circuit breakers;
- (f) a minimum 4 gauge copper ground wire shall be used from the distribution panel and meter base to the ground rod; and
- (g) pipe riser services shall use a minimum of 2 ½ inch rigid conduits.”

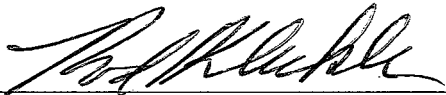
SECTION 3: In all other respects, Chapter 32, Article V of the Rock Falls Municipal Code shall remain in full force and effect as previously adopted and/or amended.

SECTION 4: The provisions and sections of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be separable and the invalidity of any portion of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

SECTION 5: The City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval and publication as required by law.

Approved this 6th day of July, 2021.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk



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None