

**TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA**

**ORDINANCE NO.2022-14**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN CODE CHAPTER 78 – UTILITIES, ARTICLE I – IN GENERAL, SECTION 78-38 ENTITLED “SHUTOFF MECHANISM; BACKFLOW PROTECTION DEVICES REQUIRED”, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND TOWN CODE SECTIONS, OR PARTS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT HERewith, AND ALL MATTERS RELATED HERETO.**

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, has been advised that Section 327 IAC 8-10-8(b)(2) of the Indiana Administrative Code requires “Reduced pressure principle backflow preventers shall be tested at intervals not exceeding one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, has been further informed and advised that amendments are required to Chapter 78 – Utilities, Article I – In General, Section 78-38 Entitled “Shutoff mechanism; backflow protection devices required”; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, having reviewed the relevant Town Code chapters and all applicable law, now concurs that it is advisable, necessary, and in the best interests of the residents of the Town of Griffith that amendment be made to Chapter 78 – Utilities, Article I – In General, Section 78-38 Entitled “Shutoff mechanism; backflow protection devices required”.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA:**

**SECTION ONE:** That **CHAPTER 78 – UTILITIES, ARTICLE I – IN GENERAL, SECTION 78-38 ENTITLED “SHUTOFF MECHANISM; BACKFLOW PROTECTION DEVICES REQUIRED”** of the Town Code be, and the same is hereby amended to read and provide as follows, namely:

“Sec. 78-38. – Shutoff mechanism; backflow protection devices required.

(j) *Inspection of devices; time limits.* To ensure that each cross-connection control device required by this article is in working order, the customer shall have each device inspected or tested (at customer’s expense) by a certified backflow technician at the time of construction or installation, and at the following intervals in the following manner:

(2) Reduced pressure principle backflow assemblies shall be tested at intervals not exceeding one year to ensure that:

(i) Both check valves are drip-tight under all pressure differentials;

- (ii) The pressure differential relief valve will maintain pressure in the center chamber at least two pounds per square inch below that of the inlet chamber.”

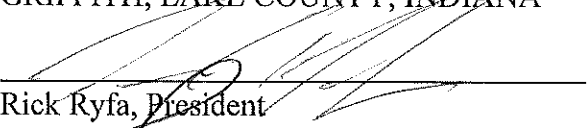
**SECTION THREE:** That all existing Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby deemed null, void, and of no legal effect, and are specifically repealed.

**SECTION FOUR:** That if any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance.

**SECTION FIVE:** That this Ordinance shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after its passage by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, in conformance with applicable law.

**ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, THIS 5<sup>th</sup> DAY OF April, 2021.**

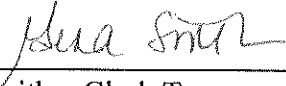
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