

ORDINANCE REQUIRING BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS IN THE CITY OF GREENLAND

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENLAND, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES REQUIRED: The carrying on of any trade, business, vocation, occupation, profession or calling of whatever kind or nature within the City is hereby declared to be a privilege and from and after the effective date of this ordinance any individual, person, firm, partnership, company, or corporation engaged in such activity shall pay a biennial occupation tax for this privilege.

SECTION 2. SEPARATE LICENSE FOR EACH TRADE OR BUSINESS: Any person, firm or corporation engaging in more than one (1) business, occupation or profession and for which a license is required for each shall pay for and take out a license for each business, profession or occupation in same or separate quarters. Licenses shall be issued for a period of two (two) years from date of issue. Persons affected hereby shall renew their licenses during the month preceding the expiration date of their current license. Charitable, garage, yard, or firewood sales shall not be considered occupations under this ordinance nor shall the sale of produce raised within the city limits of Greenland be so considered.

SECTION 3. TRANSFER PROHIBITED: No license issued hereunder shall be transferred.

SECTION 4. APPEAL: The ruling body of this ordinance shall be the City Council and all requests for consideration, adjustments, or complaints shall be brought before that body during a regular meeting.

SECTION 5. COLLECTION: The City Clerk or the duly authorized deputy shall collect the tax and upon receipt thereof issue a license under this ordinance for every person, firm, or corporation liable to pay such tax and to state in each license issued the amount and the period of time covered thereby, the name of the person, firm or corporation, the business occupation or profession to be carried on and no error in stating or computing the amount of a license and tax due shall prevent or prejudice the licensing and collection by the city of the tax which shall actually be due under this ordinance.

SECTION 6. POSTING: The license issued hereunder shall be prominently displayed at the principal place of business.

SECTION 7. PROCUREMENT OF LICENSE: All licenses shall be procured before any business begins operation and shall be obtained from the city clerk's office. If it shall be necessary for the city clerk or deputy to go to the business to collect, a Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollar additional penalty will be imposed.

SECTION 8. FALSE STATEMENTS OR FAILURE TO FURNISH INFORMATION: It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly and willfully to make a false written or verbal statement in applying for a license under this chapter for the purpose of defrauding the city, by which statement a license is procured for a less sum than is lawfully due hereunder. It shall likewise be unlawful for any person to fail or refuse to furnish the city clerk all required information necessary to determine the amount of the annual occupational license fee in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 9. SCHEDULE OF LICENSE TAXES: All individuals, persons, firms, partnerships, companies or corporations doing business as described above within the City Limits of the City, Five (\$5.00) for a biennial license or any portion thereof.

SECTION 10. ISSUANCE: No occupation license shall be issued to any applicant for such occupation license under the provisions of Sections 11 and 14 of this ordinance until and unless such applicant shall demonstrate to the City Clerk his or her compliance with all Ordinances and Statutes applicable to such applicant's business, trade, occupation, vocation, or profession, including, but not limited to, those establishing codes of building, plumbing, electrical work, sanitation and health, and those regulating business and advertising signs.

SECTION 11. PENALTY: Any individual, persons, firms, partnerships, companies, or corporations, engaged in any trade, business, vocation, occupation, profession, or calling of whatever kind or nature within the city without procuring the required license shall be guilty of a violation of this ordinance and, upon conviction thereof in the Greenland City Court, shall be fined in the sum of \$25.00 plus Court Cost and each and every day of such offense shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 12. REVOCATION OF LICENSE: The City Council by a two-thirds (2/3) vote may revoke any license for cause without return of any license fee paid.

PASSED THIS 9th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1987.