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 Director

Subject: Scott County Code Chapter 23 entitled "Private Sewage Disposal Systems" and amendments to Chapter 24, entitled "Non Public Water Supply Wells."

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources completed a rewrite of Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 69 entitled "Private Sewage Disposal Systems" which was effective March 18, 2009. The proposed Chapter 23 ordinance will meet or exceed the requirements of IAC Chapter 69.

The Scott County Board of Health will be having a public hearing on June 18, 2009 for Chapter 23 for the third time since the Time of Transfer was removed from IAC Chapter 69 and then was added back to the code when Governor Culver line item vetoed the proposed delay in the Time of Transfer Inspections. The mandatory state-wide Time of Transfer inspections will begin July 1, 2009.

The amendments to Chapter 24 are the recommendations which came from a program evaluation done by our department.

The following is the list of the existing fees, new fees, and justification for the fee increases:

Effective At Time of Publication			
Scott County Code Chapter 23, Sec. 23-7, Fees			
<u>Onsite Wastewater Treatment & Disposal</u>	<u>Existing Fees</u>	<u>New Fees</u>	<u>Justification</u>
Construction Permit	\$155.00	\$175.00	3.25% COL adjustment, GPS data collection and GIS data entry
Septic Tank Abandonment Permit	\$40.00	\$60.00	
Septic Tank or Pipe Replacement Permit	\$50.00	\$75.00	
Administrative fee for Annual Operation Permit	NEW FEE	\$50.00	Effective when a Municipal Infraction is has been issued by health department staff
Time of Transfer Inspection	NEW FEE	\$260.00	Effective per new Section 9.

Scott County Code Chapter 24, Sec. 24-5, Fees			
Water Well Program	Existing Fees	New Fees	Justification
Construction Permit(includes \$25.00 to IDNR)	\$180.00	\$230.00	3.25% COL adjustment and \$45.00 for time to enter data into Iowa Dept of Natural Resource Private Water Well database which was not previously included in the fees,
Driven (Sandpoint well) Permit (includes \$25.00 to IDNR)	\$75.00	\$125.00	
Reconstruction Permit	\$50.00	\$80.00	

The following are the major changes to Chapter 23 and the amendments to Chapter 24:

Chapter 23 PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

SEC. 23-5 PERMIT REQUIRED, B. 3 page 9, permits shall expire twelve (12) months instead of eighteen (18) months

SEC. 23-7 PLAT AND LOT SIZES HEREINAFTER ESTABLISHED, all new plats and subdivision shall be approved by the health officer, all new plats shall have a soil analysis conducted (one soil boring per acre) which will be used as an indicator of the type(s) of soil and type(s) of sewage disposal system(s) which need to be install in the subdivision, and all lots shall be a minimum of thirty thousand square feet.

SEC. 23-9 TIME OF TRANSFER INSPECTIONS, effective July 1, 2009 prior to any transfer of ownership of a building where a person resides, the private sewage system shall be inspected. The inspection shall be conducted by a certified inspector. \$50.00 is for the examination fee, \$75.00 is for inspector certification fee and \$300.00 is for a certification fee for a two year period. This section is regulated by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and the inspection requirements and enforcement are part of this section.

SEC. 23-12 REQUIREMENTS WHEN EFFLUENT IS DISCHARGED INTO SURFACE WATER, all discharges from private sewage systems disposal systems which are discharged within one hundred (100) feet of any designated water of the state or subsurface drainage tile shall be treated in a manner that will conform with the requirements of National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit No. 4 issued by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

Amendments to Chapter 24 NON PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY WELLS

SEC. 24-4 NON-PUBLIC WATER WELL PERMIT

- C. Permits shall expire ~~eighteen (18)~~ twelve (12) months from the date of receipt of permit fees.

SEC. 24-5. FEES

- C. ~~In addition to the well permit fee, the health department shall collect the fee for laboratory analysis of the water sample from the landlord or landlord's agent prior to construction.~~

~~SEC. 24-6 REGISTRATION OF WATER WELL CONTRACTORS~~

- ~~A. Any person, firm, corporation, landlord, or landlord's agent desiring to conduct water well construction, reconstruction, or rehabilitation activities, shall be registered with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources as directed by the Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 37, "Registration of Water Well Contractors"~~
- ~~B. Any person, firm, corporation, landowner, or landowner's agent desiring to plug an abandoned water well shall be registered with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. The services of a registered water well contractor are not required for the plugging of large diameter (eighteen (18) inch diameter or more) wells which are one hundred (100) feet in depth or less in depth in Quaternary sediments (above bedrock), or a sandpoint well, when the entire casing can be removed.~~

SEC. 24-6 CERTIFIED WELL CONTRACTORS

- A. Any person, firm, or corporation, landowner, or landowner's agent desiring to conduct water well construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation activities, or well plugging shall be performed by a certified well contractor or the property owner as specified in IAC 567-Chapter 82.
- B. It shall be the responsibility of the certified well contractor to ensure that a well construction permit has been issued prior to initiation of well construction or reconstruction. It shall also be the responsibility of the certified well contractor to ensure that all well services are performed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. The certified well contractor shall submit water well logs within ninety days of the completion of the well drilling.

