

ORDINANCE NO. 124

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER FOURTEEN OF THE CITY OF WATHENA, KANSAS, ENTITLED, "REGULATING RAILWAY COMPANIES, DEPOTS, PLATFORMS, THE SPEED AND OPERATION OF RAILROAD TRAINS, AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN OF THE CITY OF WATHENA:

Section 1. That Section one of Ordinance Number Fourteen, passed and approved September 1, 1898, be and is hereby amended, by striking out the words, "six miles per hour" and inserting in lieu thereof "twelve miles per hour" so that said Section One shall read as follows:

"That it shall be unlawful for any and all railway companies running locomotives, cars or trains through the corporate limits of the City of Wathena to run the same at a higher rate of speed than twelve miles per hour, except as herein provided."

Section 2. That Section Two of said Ordinance Number 14 be, and is hereby amended, by striking out the words "six miles per hour" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twelve miles per hour", so that said Section Two as amended shall read as follows:

"that Railway Companies which may deem it necessary to run their cars at a higher rate of speed than twelve miles per hour, within the city limits, as a precaution against damage to property and danger to life or injury to persons, shall maintain a watchman at all street crossings where an approaching locomotive cannot be plainly seen at a distance of two thousand feet from any point of observation upon the street, road or usual course of vehicle or foot travel over said crossing, by persons who have approached to a distance of two hundred feet from said crossing; and said watchman shall be at such crossing not less than five minutes before the arrival of any such train, and shall carry a red flag, or if dark, a suitable light or hand bell, and shall warn and keep off the track all persons, teams or stock until said train has passed over, provided that said railway companies may maintain a suitable automatic gong, to be kept in good and reliable working order at said crossing, instead of a watchman to give such warning."

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

Passed by the Council 1931.
Approved by the Mayor 1931.

T. M. Bauer, Mayor

ATTEST:

C. J. Poirier
City Clerk