

Ordinance No. 17

Concering trees and shrubbery.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Councilmen of the City Of Wathena:

Section 1. That all trees, native, shade and ornamental, and all shrubbery situated upon the streets, alleys, roads, or other public grounds within the corporate limits of the City of Wathena, shall be under the control and regulation of the Council, or such committee as the Mayor, with the approval of the Council, may appoint.

Section 2. That persons who set out trees or shrubbery along sidewalks or other places for the purpose of adding comfort and beauty to their premises, may superintend the growth, pruning, and care therof, but shall not remove or destroy any such tree or shrub without permission from said committee or the Council; any other person injuring or disfiguring any such tree or shrub shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined in a sum of not more than twenty-five dollars for each offense.

Section 3. That any animal that causes injury to any such tree or shrub may be taken by the Marshal and held until the owner shall pay for such damage done as the aforesaid committee provided for in section 1, shall assess, together with costs; and if said owner refuses to pay such damage the said animal shall be sold in the same manner as provided for the sale of swine in section 3 of Ordinance No. 7. The Marshal shall be entitled to fifty cents each as this fee for taking and holding horses or cattle in such cases, and at the rate of twenty-five cents per day for feed and water.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force and after its publication in pamphlet form.

Passed by the Council September 6, 1898.

Approved by the Mayor September 6, 1898.

J. F. Harpster, Mayor

Attest: W. T. Stewart, City Clerk.