

# CITY OF NAPOLEON, OHIO

## LAW DEPARTMENT

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August 10, 2016

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL AND ORDINARY MAIL Hildegard Cordes 1040 Glenwood Avenue Napoleon, Ohio 43545

Re:

1040 Glenwood Avenue sewer connection

Dear Ms. Cordes:

City records indicate you previously received letters from the City of Napoleon Department of Public Works regarding an alleged illegal sewer connection, violating Rule 26.4 of the City of Napoleon Rules for Water and Sewer Service at the above stated address. (A copy of the April 15, 2015 letter is enclosed for your reference.) The City has also made attempts to contact you via telephone, but messages left for you were not returned.

Per Rule 26.4:

## "Wrongful discharge into Sanitary Sewers

Except for condensation water discharge from residential furnaces or cooling systems, it shall be a violation of these Rules for any person, regardless of intent, to discharge or cause to be discharged any unpolluted waters such as stormwater, groundwater, roof runoff, subsurface drainage, or cooling water to any City owned or operated or controlled sanitary sewer."

This pipe must be cut off and permanently capped three (3) feet below grade.

As the responsible party in this matter, you are hereby given notice that you have until Thursday, September 1, 2016 to comply with this Rule 26.4.

City Law Director
Lisa L. Nagel
lnagel@napoleonohio.com

Please also be advised that the Penalty Section in Rule 27(C) states:

"Any person found violating Rules . . . 26.4. . . shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor of the minor degree and the penalties as contained in Chapter 501.99 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Napoleon, Ohio shall apply. Each day a violation continues constitutes a separate violation."

If this is not corrected by Thursday, **September 1**, **2016**, the City has the right to impose the following penalties, as contained in Chapter 501.99 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Napoleon, Ohio, along with any other remedies to which the City is entitled:

#### Penalties for Misdemeanors

"(a) Financial Sanctions. In addition to imposing court costs pursuant to Ohio R.C. 2947.23, the court imposing a sentence upon an offender for a misdemeanor committed under the Codified Ordinances, including a minor misdemeanor, may sentence the offender to any financial sanction or combination of financial sanctions authorized under this section. If the court in its discretion imposes one or more financial sanctions, the financial sanctions that may be imposed pursuant to this section include, but are not limited to, the following:

(2) (E) Fines: for a minor misdemeanor, not more than one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00)" [Please remember each day a violation continues constitutes a separate violation.]

Please contact Marty Crossland at the City of Napoleon's Engineering Department to arrange for all required inspections and specifications, or any questions you may have regarding this issue.

Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated. If the violation is corrected by the due date shown, the City will refrain from filing suit against you.

Sincerely,

Lisa L. Nagel

City of Napoleon Law Director

Enclosure:

April 15, 2015 letter

CC:

Marty Crossland, Staff Engineer Chad Lulfs, Director of Public Works Monica Irelan, City Manager

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# City of Napoleon, Ohio Department of Public Works

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April 15, 2015

1040 Glenwood Avenue Napoleon, OH 43545

Attn: Hildegard Cordes 419-592-0398

1040 Glenwood Avenue Sewer Connection Re:

PHILIP CORDES (50N) 419-900-7745 WILL CALL BACK

8-3/= DIDN'T CALL

LEFT MESSAGE 9-17

Dear Ms. Cordes,

It has been alleged that the above referenced property has an illegal sewer connection. During a sewer investigation, the soil pipes showed signs of being illegally connected to the City of Napoleon's sanitary sewer. This violates Rule 26.4 of the City of Napoleon Rules for Water and Sewer Service:

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You are hereby given notice that you have 90 days from the date of this letter to perform the required corrective measures listed above. Please contact Marty Crossland at the City of Napoleon's Engineering Department to arrange for all required inspections and specifications. Any questions you might have regarding this issue should also be forwarded to our office.

Yours truly,
Chad E. Lulfs, P.E., P.S. Director of Public Works City of Napoleon, Ohio

Monica Irelan, City Manager cc:

Trevor Hayberger, City Law Director Jeff Rathge, Operations Superintendent

Marty Crossland, Staff Engineer

INVESTIGATION OF ILLEGAL SEWERL

