

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A UTILITY EASEMENT PERMIT PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS, PROVIDING FOR A PERMIT FEE AND POSTING A BOND, PROVIDING FOR A REQUIREMENT FOR RESTORATION OF PROPERTY TO ITS ORIGINAL CONDITION, PROVIDING A REQUIREMENT THAT THE ENGINEERING COMPLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ACCOMODATION GUIDE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Holmes County, Florida has determined a need to require that a utility permit be obtained before placing any utilities on the right-of-way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Holmes County, Florida to require that a permit be obtained before placing any utilities on the right-of-way.

SECTION I: PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

A permit must be approved by the Board of Commissioners before any underground or aerial utility is installed on the right-of-way. A permit form may be obtained from the office of the Holmes County Building Department. This permit form must be completed and returned to the Board for approval before any construction is begun.

SECTION II: DEFINITIONS

1. Utility Permit: Documented permission from the Board of County Commissioners for the installation of both underground and aerial utilities on the right-of-way.
2. Utilities: All privately, publicly or cooperatively owned lines, facilities and systems for producing, transmitting or distributing communications, power, electricity, light, heat, gas, oil, crude products, water, steam, waste, storm water not connected with highway drainage, and similar commodities which directly or indirectly serve the public or any part thereof.
3. Right-of-way: The land which the County has title to, or the right of use, for the road and its structures and appurtenances.

SECTION III: PERMIT FEE

A permit fee of \$25.00 plus 10¢ per foot for easement lease shall be charged at the time the permit is approved, this fee shall cover the cost incurred by the county for inspections. The applicant shall also post a minimum bond of \$5,000.00 for up to 5,000 feet of easement plus an additional \$1,000.00 bond per additional 1,000 feet of easement.

NO ACTION TAKEN

SECTION IV: RESTORATION OF RIGHT OF WAY

All county properties shall be restored to their original condition as far as practical, in keeping with the County's specifications and in a manner satisfactory to the County of Holmes.

SECTION V: ENGINEERING REQUIREMENT

All engineering in the placement of utilities on the right-of-way shall comply with the Florida Department of Transportation's Accommodation Guide requirements.

Adopted this _____ day of _____ 1985

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY _____
Paul Jernigan, Chairman

ATTEST:

Cody Taylor, Clerk