

Athena Ordinances

ORDINANCE NO. 110

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING NECESSARY RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ATHENA, UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON.

The city of Athena, Oregon ordains as follows:

Section 1. All laws of the state of Oregon regulating and governing general elections therein and proceedings and matters incidental thereto shall apply to and govern elections within the city of Athena, except as herein otherwise provided.

Section 2. The recorder, under the direction of the common council, shall give 10 days' notice of each general election, specifying therein the officers to be elected and the place designated by the council for holding such election.

Section 3. The council at least 10 days before such election shall designate the place of holding the same and shall appoint two judges and three clerks of said election, who shall be promptly notified by the recorder of their appointment.

Section 4. Judges and clerks of election must possess the qualifications of voters, but a mistake or error in this respect shall not invalidate any election otherwise legal.

Section 5. The returns of all elections held under the provisions of this ordinance shall be made to the recorder, who shall report the same to the common council at the next regular meeting thereof, or at a special meeting for that purpose; and the council shall then and there count and canvass the vote, in case of a contest, or examine the said returns and declare the result and direct the recorder to issue certificates of election to the person having a plurality of all the legal votes.

Section 6. The council must judge of the qualifications and election of the mayor and its own members; and in case of a contest between two persons claiming to be elected thereto, must determine the same subject, however, to a review of any court of competent jurisdiction. A contested election for any other office than that of mayor or councilman must be determined according to the law of the state regulating proceedings in contested elections in county offices.

Section 7. The mayor-elect, before entering upon the duties of his office, and within a reasonable time from the date his election has been declared by the council and certified by the recorder, [shall] file with the recorder an oath of office to the following effect: "I, A.B., do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the constitution of the United States and of this state, and that I will to the best of my ability faithfully perform the duties of mayor of the city of Athena; that I will use every means in my power to suppress crime and violence in said city."

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Section 8. All other officers elected or appointed by the authority of the charter of the said city of Athena, within 10 days from the date of their election and before entering upon the duties of their office, shall take and file with recorder a like oath with that of the mayor, with the necessary alterations to fit the character of the office. If the officer-elect affirm, then instead of the first clause there must be added to the oath the following: “And all this I promise under the pains and penalties of perjury.”

Section 9. The per diem of the judges and clerks shall be determined by the common council.

Section 10. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage and posting as required by law.

Passed by the council and approved by the mayor February 10, 1890.
Amended by the Council and approved by the mayor on November 15, 2007.