

ORDINANCE NO. 78

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPUTATION OF THE OCCUPATION (LICENSE) TAX THAT THE ARKANSAS LOUISIANA GAS COMPANY SHALL PAY TO THE CITY OF CLINTON, ARKANSAS DURING THE YEAR 1967 AND FUTURE YEARS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Gas Company") is duly authorized by franchise ordinance heretofore enacted to operate a gas distribution system and appurtenances thereto, used in, or incident to the rendition of gas service to Clinton, and the inhabitants thereof residing in said City, and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company is now occupying the streets and alleys of Clinton, for the purpose of operating, maintaining and extending its gas service to the City and the inhabitants and consumers residing in said City, and is supplying to the City and consumers therein gas service, and

WHEREAS, the City is entitled to receive such just and reasonable taxes from the Gas Company which the City may lawfully impose and the Gas Company is entitled to pay.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. The amount of Occupation (License, Franchise, or other special city) Tax to be paid by Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company during the year 1967 and the future years until changed by ordinance shall be determined as follows:

At the close of the calendar year 1966 and the close of each calendar year thereafter, the Gas Company shall determine the average number of domestic and commercial meters for the preceding year within the corporate limits of the City of Clinton, and shall inform the Mayor of the results of this calculation. The tax for each year shall be computed by multiplying the average number of meters by \$1.00 per meter.

SECTION 2. Said Tax during the year 1967 shall be paid

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by March 1, 1967, and the Tax similarly computed for succeeding years shall be paid by March 1st of each succeeding year.

SECTION 3. Nothing herein shall be construed to alter or change the terms or conditions of the present franchise under which the Gas Company is operating.

SECTION 4. All other ordinances, agreements and parts of ordinances and agreements in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. Whereas there is a great need for revenues in the City of Clinton to carry on necessary public service; and, whereas the Arkansas Public Service Commission has approved a standard formula for computation for municipal Occupation (License, Franchise, or other special city) Taxes which formula is adopted by this Ordinance; and, whereas this Ordinance should become effective immediately in order to provide for the prompt computation and collection of said taxes, therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance being necessary for the immediate protection of the public peace, health, and safety shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

D. PATRICK ELLIS, Mayor

DATE: December 29, 1965

ATTEST: FLOY BERKOWITZ, City Recorder

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Floy Berkowitz, City Recorder for the City of Clinton, Arkansas hereby certify that this a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 78 of the City of Clinton, Arkansas, duly passed and adopted the 29th day of December, 1965.

FLOY BERKOWITZ, City Recorder

DATE: December 29, 1965