

ORDINANCE NO. 1.

An ordinance to establish a Criminal Code to define certain offences and fix penalties therefor.

Be it ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Langston :

SECTION 1. Whoever shall in the Town of Langston be found in a state of intoxication in any public place or in any private house to the annoyance of any person, or shall be drinking, carousing, swearing or creating any disturbance whatever in any place or part of the town shall be fined in a sum not less than two nor more than ten dollars. Adopted.

SEC. 2. That it shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any fire arms within the corporate limits of the Town of Langston, and any person convicted thereof shall be fined in a sum of not less than two nor more than ten dollars. Adopted.

Sec. 3. Whoever shall in the Town of Langston keep a bandy house, or house of ill fame, or assignation house, or shall permit any tenement under his or her control to be used for such a purpose shall upon conviction thereof be fined not less than five nor more than ten dollars. Adopted.

Sec. 4. Every person appearing or acting as master or mistress, or having the care, use or management for the time of any house mentioned in section three of this ordinance, shall be deemed the keeper thereof within the meaning and intent of this ordinance. Adopted.

Sec. 5. That any person, male or female, who shall be an inmate, or boarder, or lodger in a house of ill fame or prostitution in this town, or who shall visit any such house for lewd, licentious, obscene or indecent purposes, shall upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than five dollars: and the fact of any person being found in such house at any time under suspicious circumstances shall be prima facia evidence of his or her visiting or frequenting the same for such purposes, or being an inmate thereof, and subject to the above fine.

Sec. 6. Any person who shall keep, maintain or harbor in this town any private prostitute, knowing her to be such, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than five nor more than ten dollars. Adopted.

Sec. 7. Whenever the City Marshall shall have knowledge or satisfactory evidence or information that such place is kept within the town limits, he is authorized and empowered, and it shall be his duty forthwith to enter such premises and arrest all persons found therein and bring them before the Justice of the peace for trial. Adopted.

Sec. 8. Every person who shall appear in any public place in this town in a state of nudity or in any dress not belonging to his or her sex, or in any indecent or lewd dress, or shall make any indecent or exposure of his or her person, or be guilty of any indecent or lewd act or behavior, or shall exhibit or perform any indecent or immoral or lewd play, or other representations shall be fined not less than five nor more than ten dollars for such offence. Adopted.

Sec. 9. Any person who shall set up or keep in the Town of Langston any gambling device, adopted, devised or designed for the purpose of playing any game of chance for money, property or representation thereof, or shall entice, induce or permit any person to risk, bet or play at or on the same, shall, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine of not less than five nor more than ten dollars. Adopted.

Sec. 10. Every person who shall bet any property, or thing of value or representation thereof, or any game of chance played by cards, dice or by any other means, whereby money or property may be lost or won, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined not less than five, nor more than ten dollars for each offence. Adopted.

Sec. 11. Any person who shall permit any gambling devise that is prohibited by this or other ordinances of the Town of Langston to be kept or maintained on premises owned by him or under his control, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined not less than five dollars nor more than ten dollars. Adopted.

Sec. 12. Any person or persons acting as manager or mistress, or having the care, use or management of any gambling devise shall be deemed a keeper thereof, and every person who shall act as manager or mistress, or having the care or management of any house, shed or building in which a gambling devise is set up or kept shall be deemed the keeper thereof. Adopted.

Sec. 13. That the town marshal and his deputies having knowledge or information that there is any gambling devise kept or used or kept within the corporate limits of the Town of Langston may and hereby required to enter the premises whereon the same is kept or used and seize the same and to arrest the keeper or keepers thereof and any person found playing thereon.

Sec. 14. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage as an emergency ordinance and shall be published for ten days in the Langston City HERALD.

Passed and approved this 23rd day of November, 1891.

Attest, JAS. B. ROBINSON,
President.

ROBERT S. COX,
Town Clerk.

Per B. H. HOOKS.