

Decision No. 7102.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.  
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In the matter of the Application of)  
Fairfield Water Works, by Henry )  
Goosen, for order authorizing in- )  
crease of water rates. )

Application No. 4421.

Town of Fairfield, a municipal )  
corporation, )  
Complainant. )

vs. )

Case No. 1358.

Henry Goosen, owner, doing business )  
under the name and style of )  
Fairfield Water Works, )  
Defendant. )

W. U. Goodman for Complainant.

Henry Goosen in propria persona.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Applicant in the above entitled proceeding asks for permission to increase rates, and the complaint of the Town of Fairfield alleges that defendant does not furnish an adequate supply of water for fire protection, sewer flushing and household use and that water that is required to supply consumers in the town is delivered to districts outside thereof.

A public hearing was held in Fairfield, at which the above entitled proceedings were consolidated for hearing and decision.

Applicant presented an appraisal of the property, based upon present prices of labor and material, less ten per cent accrued depreciation, purporting to show that the value for rate fixing purposes was \$38,110. The Commission's engineer testified that his estimate of original cost of the system was \$30,913, reasonable maintenance and operating expense \$3,189 per year, depreciation annuity \$507, and total annual charges \$6,169.

Revenues for the past three years have averaged \$3,843 per year, including \$189 of uncollected bills, and it is apparent that applicant is entitled to an increase in rates.

Pressure tests made at various parts of the town by the Commission's engineer indicated a few points of low pressure. Our engineer recommended that some of the mains be replaced with pipes of larger size.

The testimony shows that within four to six weeks prior to the hearing the installation of 18 additional meters had so conserved water that complaints of poor service were practically eliminated. The installation of additional meters and the replacement of small mains with large pipes will result in greatly improved service.

#### O R D E R

Henry Goosen, doing business under the name and style of Fairfield Water Works, having made application for permission to increase rates, and the Town of Fairfield having made complaint against the service rendered by said Henry Goosen, a public hearing having been held, and the Commission being fully advised in the premises,

IT IS HEREBY FOUND AS A FACT, that the rates now charged by said Henry Goosen are unjust and unreasonable, in so far as they differ from the rates herein established, and that the rates herein established are just and reasonable rates to be charged for water supplied to consumers in Fairfield and vicinity.

And basing its order upon the foregoing finding of fact and

upon the statements of fact contained in the opinion preceding this order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Henry Goosen be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to file with the Railroad Commission within twenty (20) days from the date of this order, and thereafter charge the following rates for water served to consumers in Fairfield and vicinity:

Monthly Flat Rates:

1. - Residences, boarding houses, apartments, lodging houses, tenements or flats of five rooms or less, ..	\$1.50
For each additional room.....	0.25
Additional for each bath tub.....	0.30
Additional for each toilet.....	0.25
Private garage and one automobile.....	0.25
For each additional automobile.....	0.25
For private barn, not more than one horse or cow.....	0.50
For each additional horse or cow.....	0.25
2. - Sprinkling or irrigation of lawns, shrubbery, trees, gardens, etc., per square yard.....	0.02
3. - Blacksmith shops, machine shops, lumber yards, printing offices, bakeries, undertaking parlors, grocery stores, dental offices, theatres, warehouses and butcher shops.....	3.00
4. - Drug stores and photograph galleries.....	3.50
5. - Bottling works, creameries, slaughter houses and laundries.....	5.00
6. - Banks, professional offices, billiard parlors, fraternal halls, club rooms, churches, shoe stores, plumbing shops, and all stores not otherwise listed.....	1.50
7. - Office buildings, for each room.....	0.50
8. - Restaurants, chophouses and cafes, per unit of seating capacity.....	0.15
9. - Livery stables and feed yards, per average number of stock fed, each.....	0.25
10. - Barns in connection with stores, shops, etc., not more than two horses.....	0.50
For each additional horse.....	0.25
11. - Public garages, 6 autos or less.....	3.00
For each additional auto.....	0.25
12. - Soda fountains or ice cream parlors, either alone or in connection with other business.....	2.00
13. - Additional for each bath tub, toilet or urinal in 3 to 12 inclusive.....	0.30

14. - Barber shops per chair.....	\$1.00
Additional for each bath tub.....	1.00
Additional for each toilet.....	0.50
Additional for each urinal.....	0.30
15. - Saloons or soft drink establishments.....	3.00
Additional for each toilet.....	0.50
Additional for each urinal.....	0.30
16. - Hotels:	
Dining rooms including kitchen.....	2.00
Bedrooms with running water.....	0.25
Each bathtub.....	0.50
Each toilet.....	0.50
Each lavatory.....	0.50
17. - Steam engines, per horse power.....	0.10
18. - Public drinking fountain.....	1.50
19. - Public watering trough.....	2.50
20. - Building work--	
For mortar and to dampen 1000 bricks.....	0.35
For each barrel of cement.....	0.15

Metered Rates

Monthly Minimum Charges:

5/8 inch meters.....	\$ 1.50
3/4 " " .....	1.75
1 " " .....	2.00
1 1/2 " " .....	2.50
2 " " .....	3.00
3 " " and larger.....	4.00

Monthly Metered Rates:

From 0 to 10,000 gallons, per 1000 gallons.....	0.50
" 10,000 to 50,000 gallons, per 1000 gallons....	0.45
" 50,000 to 100,000 gallons, " " " .....	0.40
Over 100,000 gallons, per 1000 gallons.....	0.35

Public Use:

Sewer flushing, per tank per month.....	\$ 1.50
Street sprinkling, per 1000 gallons.....	.40
Fire hydrants per month each.....	1.50
Other public use at metered rates.	

Either the utility or the consumer may require the installation of a meter upon any service at the expense of the utility and the above metered rates shall thereafter apply to such service.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that within six months from date hereof applicant shall replace all mains of 1 inch or less in

diameter serving more than one consumer, with mains not less than 2 inches in diameter, and to do all other things necessary to furnish an adequate supply to all consumers.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 5<sup>th</sup>  
day of ~~January~~ <sup>February</sup> 1920.

Edwin O. Egerton

H. D. Leonard

H. R. Bunnings

Commissioners.