

ORDINANCE #231

v An ordinance to regulate and control the slaughter, inspection, marketing of meat and meat products, and to regulate and control the testing of dairy cows, in the City of Roanoke, Alabama, and its police jurisdiction:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROANOKE, ALABAMA, as follows:

SECTION - 1DEFINITIONS:

(a) The term "Animal" as used herein shall refer to and include any cattle, sheep, goats, or swine.

(b) The term "Meat" as used herein shall refer to and include the carcasses or any part of the carcass of the above named animals and the raw food products made from any portion of them.

(c) The term "meat" "Market" as used herein shall refer to and include any place where meat is sold in the raw condition.

(d) The term "Dairy" as used herein shall refer to and include any place where cows are kept and milked, the milk being sold to or consumed by the public.

(e) The term "inspector" as used herein shall refer to and include "City-Meat, and Dairy Inspector". and the raw food products

(f) The term "milk" as used herein shall refer to and include sweet-milk, butter-milk, butter and the raw food products made from milk.

ABATTOIR. (a) The City of Roanoke shall lease from a responsible person a public slaughtering place for the City Abattoir. Such abattoir shall be a substantial and suitable building, with impervious and well drained floors and impervious walls to a height of at least five feet, effectively screened, well lighted supplied with water under pressure, and equipped with modern appliance and apparatus for slaughtering and dressing animals. Such abattoir shall be built and equipped to dispose of all waste in a sanitary

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(b) The lessor of the abattoir shall be in charge of the abattoir and shall be responsible for the operation and cleanliness of the abattoir, for the disposal of all wastes and refuse and he shall make such provisions as, in the judgement of the inspector, will insure the proper and sanitary operation of such abattoir.

(c) All persons employed at the abattoir or engaged in the slaughter or dressing of animals shall be cleanly dressed and the inspector may order those not cleanly dressed to leave the abattoir premises.

(d) All knives, saws, cleavers, utensils or articles used in the slaughter or dressing of animals shall be thoroughly cleaned or disinfected, under the supervision of the inspector, promptly after use, and those used in the dressing of meat that is condemned shall be disinfected before use on other meat.

### SECTION 3

SLAUGHTER: (a) Every animal killed for sale or for public consumption as meat in the City of Roanoke, or its police jurisdiction, shall be slaughtered in the City Abattoir, under the supervision of the City Meat and Dairy Inspector.

(b) All animals killed for sale or for public consumption at the City Abattoir shall have been inspected first while such animal is alive and on foot, by the inspector, on the day it is killed, and shall be inspected again during the slaughtering and dressing operation; all animals shall be passed or condemned by the Inspector in accordance with the rules and regulations of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, governing meat inspection.

(c) Every separate portion of the carcass of animals passed shall be labelled or marked, "City of Roanoke, Inspected and Passed," and the inspector shall keep a full and accurate permanent record of all animals inspected, showing the owner, the kind of animal, and whether



passed or condemned. All condemned meat shall be promptly destroyed or denatured in the presence of the inspector.

(d) The inspector shall fix regular hours of slaughter.

#### SECTION 4.

##### MARKET INSPECTION:

The inspector shall inspect meat markets at regular intervals.

(b) All meat markets shall be kept clean and kept free from obnoxious odors.

(c) Green hides shall not be stored in any meat market or in any space opening into or immediately adjacent to any meat market.

(d) All utensils, blocks, counters, scales, etc., used for the storage, cutting, displaying or weighing of meat shall be cleansed and disinfected daily, and shall be kept clean.

(e) All refrigerators and ice boxes shall be maintained at temperature of forty degrees while in use for the storing of meat and shall be kept clean and free from molds and odors.

(f) Vehicles used in conveying meat to or from markets shall be clean and shall meet the approval of the inspector as to suitability.

(g) Vehicles from which meat is peddled shall be inclosed or effectively screened and shall be equipped with sufficient refrigeration or ice boxes to maintain all meat in them fresh.

#### SECTION 5

##### DAIRY COW TESTING:

The inspector shall test, once each calendar year, all cows kept or miled at dairies furnishing or delivering milk for sale or public consumption within the City of Roanoke, or its police jurisdiction; and shall test all cows added to a dairy herd before milk produced by them is sold or delivered for public sale or consumption. All dairy cows having tuberculosis or other communicable diseased shall be condemned by the inspector.

#### SECTION 6



CITY MEAT AND DAIRY INSPECTOR.

(a) A City Meat and Dairy Inspector shall be appointed by the Council of the City of Roanoke; such inspector shall be a graduate veterinarian, holding a license for the practice of veterinary medicine in the State of Alabama; he may be removed from office by the Council at any time.

(b) The remuneration or compensation to such inspector shall be the amount of the fees collected, as hereinafter provided; he shall not receive or be paid a salary or wage by the City of Roanoke.

(c) The inspector or his assistant shall have police power to enter any establishment in the City of Roanoke, or its police jurisdiction, to enforce the provisions of this ordinance, in which he has probable cause to believe that meat is being sold or served.

SECTION 7FEES:

(A) The lessor or the abattoir shall be entitled to a slaughter fee not exceeding the following amounts: For Cattle, \$1.50; for Veal, \$1.00; for sheep, goats, kids or lambs, 25¢; for hogs, 1¢ per pound; if the owner slaughters and dresses his animal a flat charge of 50¢ per animal may be made, except veal which shall not exceed 25¢.

(b) The inspector shall be entitled to inspection fees not exceeding the following: For Cattle, 75¢; for all others, 50¢; for testing dairy cows the inspector shall be entitled to fees not exceeding \$1.00 per cow.

(c) The slaughter and inspection fees shall be payable to the lessor and the inspector at the time of the slaughter and inspection, before the animal is removed from the abattoir premises; the inspection fee shall cover both the ante mortem and the post mortem inspection; such inspection fee is payable whether the animal is slaughtered or not, or though the animal be condemned after slaughter. The fee for testing dairy cows shall be payable to inspector in advance. The lessor and the



inspector shall give a receipt for every fee received and shall file with the City Clerk a copy of each and all such receipts.

SECTION 8.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, or to wilfully fail or refuse to obey any order of inspection of the City Meat and Dairy Inspector made in performance of his duties as such inspector.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to sell or deliver for sale or public consumption within the City of Roanoke, or its police Jurisdiction meat that has not been inspected and passed by the inspector.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to sell or deliver for public consumption within the City of Roanoke, or its police jurisdiction, milk produced by a dairy cow that has been condemned by the Inspector.

(d) Any person, firm, or corporation convicted of violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than One Hundred Dollars, and may also be sentenced to the City Jail or to hard labor for the City for not more than six months.

SECTION 9

Should any section, clause, or provision of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional, or invalid, the same shall not affect or render invalid any other section, clause or provision of this ordinance, that is not within itself unconstitutional or invalid.

Adopted and approved, November 13th, 1930.

Attest: Ora E. Jones, Clerk,  
City of Roanoke, Ala.

B. C. Jones, Mayor.  
City of Roanoke, Ala.

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I, Ora E. Jones, Clerk of the City of Roanoke, Alabama, hereby certify that the above and foregoing Ordinance, was passed and adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Roanoke, Alabama, on the

13th day of November, 1930, and was herein recorded and was published  
in the Roanoke Leader a newspaper of general circulation in the  
City of Roanoke, Alabama, on 10 day of December, 1930

*Orville Jones*  
Clerk, of City of Roanoke, Ala.