

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING GAMBLING AND GAMBLING HOUSES AND THE EXHIBITION OF INDECENT OR OBSCENE PICTURES AND PROHIBITING THE OWNER OR OCCUPANT OF PLACES WHERE DRINKS ARE SOLD FROM ALLOWING GAMBLING TO BE CARRIED ON IN SUCH PLACES; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND GIVING POLICEMEN AUTHORITY TO BREAK OPEN DOORS IN ARRESTING OFFENDERS.

Be it Ordained by the Council of the City of Polson.

Gambling prohibited SECTION 1. Every person, who, within the corporate limits of the City of Polson, deals, plays, carries on, opens or causes to be opened, or who conducts or causes to be conducted, either as owner or employee, any game of monte, lansquenet, rouge-et-noir, rondo, tan, fan-tan, percentage, or stud-horse poker, craps or percentage game, or any game commonly known as a surething game, for money, checks, credits or any representative of value, or for any property or thing whatever; -any peeposcope, or nickel-in-the-slot machine, exposing to view indecent or obscene pictures, shall be deemed to have committed a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than three hundred dollars.

Conducting games and gambling houses are prohibited SECTION 2. Every person who, within the corporate limits of the City of Polson, carries on, opens or causes to be opened, or who conducts or causes to be conducted any game of fan, roulette, draw poker, stud-horse poker, or what is commonly called around-the-table poker, or solo, or any game of chance, played with cards, dice or any device whatever, or who runs or conducts any nickel-in-the-slot machine, or permits the same to be run or conducted for money, checks, credits or anything representative of value, or for any property or thing whatsoever, any any person owning or in charge of any saloon, beer-hall, bar room, cigar store, or other place of business where drinks are sold or served, who permits any of the games mentioned in this section to be played in or about such saloon, beer hall, bar room, cigar store or other place of business or place where drinks are sold or served, shall be deemed to have committed a ~~###~~ misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not less than ten dollars nor more than three hundred dollars.

Duties of Marshal SECTION 3. The City Marshal and every patrolman of the City of Polson, shall have authority, and it shall be their duty, upon receipt of information that any house, room, or apartment is being conducted as a house, room, tent or apartment for any of the games mentioned in the two foregoing sections, to break open any door or opening into any such house, room, tent, or apartment, with or without a warrant of arrest, for the purpose of arresting such offenders.

Ordinance when effective. SECTION 4. Whereas, an emergency exists and it is immediately necessary for the preservation of the peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Polson, this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval according to law.

Passed and approved the 30th day of January, 1912.

*Jas. M. Dawson*  
Mayor.

Attest *S. C. Bihee*  
City Clerk.



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County of Flathead x

S. C. Bihee, being first duly sworn upon his oath says; I am a citizen of the United States, over the

