

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POTTSVILLE, ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE TO DOUBLE THE FINES WHEN A DRIVER IN VIOLATION OF SPEEDING IN A DESIGNATED WORK ZONE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF POTTSVILLE, ARKANSAS AND TO CREATE A SEPARATE SPEED LIMIT OF 25 MILES PER HOUR IN A DESIGNATED WORK ZONE.

WHEREAS, the city of Pottsville, Arkansas, on a routine basis, engages in road construction and work along the easements connected to the city and county roads, or contracts for this type of work in these locations, which require employees to be placed near and adjacent to Pottsville city streets and county roads; and,

WHEREAS, that drivers often do not provide the proper lookout nor maintain the appropriate speed limit per the posted signs that there is a necessity to decrease the speed limit in designated work zone areas to 25 miles per hour; and,

WHEREAS, there is a greater effort and need for the city of Pottsville to address and punish drivers who do not comply with the lower speed limits in work zones creating a greater risk of death or physical injury to those working in that area this type of behavior and require drivers to slow down as it creates a greater risk to those working in the area,

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

Section 1. That in areas clearly designated as work zones within the city limits of the City of Pottsville, there shall exist a speed limit of 25 miles per hour.

Section 2. That anyone found guilty of exceeding the posted 25 miles per hour speed limits in the work zone shall be fined double the amount normally required in such speeding

violations.

Section 3. That the area in question shall be adequately designated as a work zone for oncoming traffic in both directions. Either the City of Pottsville employees or contractors or others working on the areas shall provide large, visible signs stating that the area has been designated as a work zone and that the speed limit in that designated area is now 25 miles per hour. These signs shall be posted for oncoming traffic in both directions.

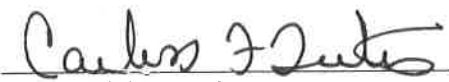
Section 4. That law enforcement shall advise the alleged offender of their violation of speeding in a work zone on the face of the ticket to advise of the enhanced fine.

Section 5. Emergency Clause. This ordinance being necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Pottsville, Arkansas, based upon the reasons stated above, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall take effect and be enforced from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Ordained this 25 day of Feb., 2008.


JERRY DUVALL, MAYOR

ATTEST:


City Clerk/Recorder