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Hello all, I just thought you may be interested in this e-mail from Mr. Pedesky

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From: Tim Padesky <timtdpelectric@centurytel.net>
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Sent: Wednesday, February 13, 2013 11:39 AM
Subject: La Crosse Electrical Permits

Bob & Francis,

I have complained for years to the Inspection Dept that the permit structure is not researchable and the fees are low. As someone that has worked in every WI community except Milwaukee, I am well versed in the permit process anywhere a Kwik Trip Store has been built in WI. We just built a store in Sheboygan last summer. The ELECTRICAL PERMIT was over \$ 4,000.00. A similar store in La Crosse would be \$ 1275.00 (5th and Cass Store). The permit fees have not stopped Kwik Trip from building. Pewaukee, Oconomowoc, West Bend, etc are all like Sheboygan.

La Crosse's permit structure is not fair to the contractor that is 'honest' in the valuation of work. It is based on the 'dollar value' of the project. It is easy for me to obtain a project at \$ 150,000.00 and pay a permit fee based on \$ 75,000.00. How does the inspector know for certain the project value?

Other communities use a menu based system. You pay a fee on everything you install. The fees are not that great, 50cents and up, per item. Again, it is fair for all because the inspector can count the items. The items do add up on a large project, so the fees are never 'low'. One drawback to this system is it puts undue burden on the inspector to count all the items installed to make sure the fee is correct.

I have attached the method Janesville, WI applies. They use a square foot method for new construction and additions. Measure the plans, square feet x the value = Fee. "All pay the same" "Easy for the inspector to formulate."

Please call me with any questions or if you would like to discuss. Feel free to pass this along.

Thank You,

Tim Padesky

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Please Print or Type

Date _____

Permit No. _____

Parcel No. _____

ELECTRICAL PERMIT - Commercial

City of Janesville

Address _____

Contractor _____

Owner _____

Contractor's Address _____

Owner's Address _____

Business Name _____

Master Electrician Certif. No. _____

Elec. or Bldg. Contractor Certif. No. _____

The undersigned hereby agrees that all work shall be done in accordance with this application, all ordinances of the City of Janesville and all laws and orders of the State of Wisconsin.

Scope of work _____

A. New Apartments (3 units or more) \$50.00 per unit = \$ _____

B. New Commercial Buildings and Additions

1. Group 1 .07 x _____ square feet = \$ _____

This group shall include new and additions to: general offices, barber shops, beauty parlors, bowling alleys, dry cleaning establishments, clinics, natatoriums, shelters, hotels and motels, taverns, restaurants, cafeterias, retail establishments, where manufactured products are bought and sold, repair garages, service stations, churches, assembly halls, theaters, exhibition buildings, educational institutions, hospitals, nursing homes, places of detention, gymnasiums, arenas, laboratories, lodge halls, funeral homes, libraries, skating rinks, dance halls, armories, and vehicle storage garages.

2. Group 2 .04 x _____ square feet = \$ _____

This group shall include new and additions to: warehouses, freight terminals, storage buildings, refrigeration storage, factories, machine shops, transformer vaults, sewage treatment plants, heating plants, steam and electric generating plants and other buildings not classified in Groups 1 & 2.

C. Commercial Alterations and Upgrades

1. Service Upgrade and Generator \$ 35.00 x _____ = \$ _____

2. Temporary Service \$ 35.00 x _____ = \$ _____

3. Outlets, Switches, and Lighting Fixtures \$ 1.00 x _____ = \$ _____

4. Light Fixtures (Fluorescent, Metal Halide, and Mercury Vapor) \$ 2.00 x _____ = \$ _____

5. Trole-duct, Bus Duct, and similar systems \$ 10.00 x _____ = \$ _____

6. Electric Baseboard Heaters (per section) \$ 2.00 x _____ = \$ _____

7. Exhaust and Ventilation Fans \$ 5.00 x _____ = \$ _____

8. Motors

a. Machines w/Electric Motors

1. less than 5 horsepower \$ 10.00 x _____ = \$ _____

2. more than 5 horsepower \$ 10.00 x _____ = \$ _____

b. Heating and Cooling Units (per unit) \$ 35.00 x _____ = \$ _____

9. Miscellaneous

a. Transformers, Reactors, Rectifiers, Capacitors, Heaters, Converters and similar devices \$ 10.00 x _____ = \$ _____

b. Feeder/Subfeeder Changes \$ 10.00 x _____ = \$ _____

c. Fire Alarm Devices, Signal, Communication Devices \$ 1.00 x _____ = \$ _____

D. Fire/Smoke Alarm/Supression Systems

- Contact Janesville Fire Department @ 608-755-3056 for: Plan Review and Testing Fees

Minimum Fee for Commercial Electrical Permits = \$50.00

TOTAL PERMIT FEE \$ _____

Applicant's Signature _____

Inspector's Signature _____

* Failure to obtain a permit prior to commencement of work will result in a penalty of \$100 plus permit amount or double the permit fee, whichever is greater, but in no event shall the penalty exceed \$2,000. Re-inspection fees now being enforced.