

138. *Construction of Private Systems.* Within such parts of the city as have been supplied with water or sewerage systems by the city, no water supply, sewerage, or storm water drainage or any part or appurtenances thereof, and no water mains, sewers, or drains or connections therewith, shall be constructed by any person or persons, firm, corporation, institution, or community, whether upon private premises or otherwise, without the written consent of and under rules prescribed by the department of public works. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor.

139. *Pollution of Water Supply.* No person shall do anything which will discolor, pollute, or tend to pollute any water used or to be used in the city water supply system. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor.

140. *Finance.* For the purpose of financing and paying for the construction, operation maintenance, and repair of the water supply system, water plant, sanitary sewerage system, sewage treatment plant, storm water sewers, garbage incinerator plant, and other improvements provided for under the provisions of this article, the City of Salisbury shall have the power:

(a) To issue bonds in accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of this charter.

(b) To assess the cost of these projects or any part thereof on the property abutting on the water, sewerage, and storm water sewers in accordance with Section 142 of this charter.

(c) To charge and collect such service rates, water rents or other charges as may be necessary for water supplied and for the removal of sewage. These charges are to be billed and collected by the department of finance and, if water bills are uncollected within thirty days, the water may be turned off. All charges shall be a lien on the property, collectible in the same manner as city taxes.

ARTICLE XIII

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE

141. *Power.* The City of Salisbury shall have the power to levy and collect taxes in the form of special assessments upon property in a limited and determinable area for special benefits conferred upon such property by