

# Republic of the Philippines CARAGA Region XIII Province of Surigao del Norte Municipality of San Benit



# Office of the 10th Sangguniang Bayan

AN EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 47<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 10<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG BAYAN MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN BENITO, SURIGAO DEL NORTE HELD AT SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL ON DECEMBER 02, 2024 AT EXACTLY 2:00 O' CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

#### PRESENT:

Hon. Cindy R. Agati Hon. Charlito E. Mendavia Hon. Aldrein C. Glimane Hon. Delfin P. Labola Hon. William A. Polican Hon. Ruella T. Rulete Hon. Aira Mae C. Galano SB Member /Presiding Officer Pro-Tempore

Sangguniang Bayan Member Sangguniang Bayan Member Sangguniang Bayan Member Sangguniang Bayan Member Ex-Officio / LNMB President Ex-Officio / SKF President

### ABSENT:

Hon. Wellybel A. Requirme Hon. Puyat P. Sumando Hon. Felix B. Sumando Sr. Hon. Jayrom P. Caballejos Municipal Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer Sangguniang Bayan Member Sangguniang Bayan Member Sangguniang Bayan Member

## **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 174-24**

Series of 2024

"AN ORDINANCE GRANTING EXEMPTION TO ALL RESIDENTS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN BENITO, SIARGAO ISLAND, SURIGAO DEL NORTE WHO ARE APPLYING FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE CONNECTION UNDER RESIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION, HAVING ONLY A MINIMUM LOAD OF 4 PIECES LIGHTING OUTLETS AND 2 SETS CONVENIENCE OUTLET (2 GANG) FROM SECURING AN ELECTRICAL PERMIT FROM THE MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING OFFICE FOR ELECTRICAL SERVICE CONNECTION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES THEREOF"

WHEREAS, electricity is one of the indispensable and inevitable fundamental human necessity that need to be addressed to obtain with in order to achieve quality of life;

WHEREAS, rural electrification has always been on top of the Government's policy for strongly believe that provision of electric services will yield more opportunities for improved quality of life, greater access to basic services and better infrastructure for rural development.;

WHEREAS, there is a prevailing national law particularly Republic Act 7920, also known as the National Electrical Engineering Law, requires a licensed electrical practitioner to secure an electrical permit from the Building Official or from the Engineering Office of a City or Municipality before availing the Electric Service Connection;

WHEREAS, the requirements set forth by said RA 7920 in securing such electrical permit is very complex and very costly on the part of the poor and marginalized members of our society, who just wish to avail electricity which is one of the inalienable rights of a Filipino citizen in this country;

WHEREAS, to ensure that no one is left in the development, particularly our poor and marginalized constituents in this municipality from availing electricity, this august body is hereby enacting this Ordinance to exempt those San Benitohanons applying for electric service connection from SIARELCO who only have a minimum load of 4 pieces lighting outlets and 2 sets convenience outlet (2 gang) from securing an Electrical Permit from the Municipal Engineering Office for electrical service connection;

WHEREFORE, foregoing premises considered and upon the motion of Sangguniang Bayan Member Aldrein C. Glimane duly seconded by Sangguniang Bayan Member Charlito E. Mendavia,

**BE IT ORDAINED,** by the 10<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Bayan of San Benito, Siargao Island, Surigao del Norte in session assembled, that:

Section 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Electrical Permit Exemption Ordinance of San Benito, Surigao del Norte."

Section 2. Purpose & Scope. The purpose of this Ordinance is to ensure that all sectors in society especially the poor and marginalize are given the opportunity to avail the services of electricity by exempting those residential dwellings having only the minimum load of 4 pieces Lighting Outlets and 2 sets Convenience Outlet (2 Gang) only from securing an Electrical Permit for electrical service connection, thus helping these applicants to expedite the process of electric power connection. Further, this Ordinance is to be effectively implemented to all residents of the whole Municipality of San Benito, Siargao Island, Surigao del Norte.

- Section 3. Granting of Exemption from Securing an Electrical Permit. Applicants for electric service connection under Residential Classification, having only a minimum load of 4 pieces lighting outlets and 2 sets convenience outlet (2 gang) are definitely granted an EXEMPTION from securing an Electrical Permit from the Municipal Engineering Office and Building Official of this Municipality.
- Section 4. Adherence to the Documentary Requirements for Electric Service Connection. All documentary requirements set forth by Siargao Electric Cooperative (SIARELCO) classified under RESIDENTIAL connection are hereby upheld and adopted accordingly.
- Section 5. Mandatory Inspection. The Siargao Electric Cooperative (SIARELCO) personnel, upon receipt of the application for electric service connection, shall conduct load validation and site inspection prior to the connection and installation.
- Section 6. Repealing Clause. Any provision, rules and regulations and / or any part(s) thereof found inconsistent with the provision(s) of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.
- Section 7. Separability Clause. If any provision or part thereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the other parts of this ordinance not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.
  - Section 8. Effectivity. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its approval.

Let copies of this Ordinance be furnished the Office of the Municipal Mayor of San Benito, Surigao del Norte, Office of the Municipal Engineer, San Benito, Surigao del Norte and the Office of

SIARELCO Board of Directors and General Manager, Dapa, Surigao del Norte and other concerned agencies for information and guidance;

**ENACTED** this, 02<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2024 at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Legislative Building, San Benito, Surigao del Norte.

We hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.

HON. CHARLITO EL MENDAVIA

HON. ALDREIN P. GLIMANE

SB Member

HON. DELFIN P. LABOLA

SB Member

SB Member

M HON. WILLIAM A. POLICAN

SB Member

HON. RUELLA

LNMB President Lex-Officio

SKF President / Ex-Officio

HON. CINDY R. AGATI

Sangguniang Bayan Member Presiding Officer Pro-Tempore

Attested:

MELQUIADES G'MANTILLA, MA, MPA Municipal Government Department Head 1 Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

APPROVED:

HON. Ma. GINA UMANDO-MENIL, LCB

Municipal Mayor