

Ordinance No. 11

Passed Nov. 18, 2021

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING WATER RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER SUPPLIED BY THE VILLAGE TO ITS INHABITANTS AND THE USERS LOCATED OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE LIMITS

WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Bradner has determined that in order to preserve the public health, welfare, and safety of the Village residents, it is necessary to continue to operate a municipal water system; and

WHEREAS, to continue operating such a system, periodic adjustments to the rates charged to the users of such a system are necessary; and

WHEREAS, prior to December 31, 2020, the establishment of such rates was the purview of the Board of Public Affairs; and

WHEREAS, effective December 31, 2020, the Board of Public Affairs was dissolved and replaced by a Village Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Bradner has determined that it is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and welfare that the Council of the Village establish water rates and charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1:

Effective as of January 1, 2021, the monthly water rates and charges for potable water supplied to property owners within the corporate limits of the Village of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio, irrespective of whether such property owner resides at or on the property, shall be as follows:

- A. A Minimum Base Rate (MBR) of twenty dollars and eighty-five cents (\$20.85) per unit served. Such MBR shall be charged irrespective of the amount of usage unless the water supply has been voluntarily discontinued at the property owner's written request.
- B. A monthly fire hydrant charge of fifty cents (\$0.50) per unit served. Said monthly fire hydrant charge shall be charged irrespective of the amount of usage.
- C. In addition to the MBR described above, there shall be a charge of seven dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$7.79) for each one-thousand (1000) gallons of water (or fraction thereof) used.

SECTION 2:

The monthly water rates and charges for potable water supplied to property owners outside the corporate limits of the Village of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio, irrespective of whether such property owner resides at or on the property, shall be as follows:

- A. A Minimum Base Rate (MBR) of twenty-five dollars and ninety-one cents (\$25.91) per parcel served. Such MBR shall be charged irrespective of the amount of usage unless the water supply has been voluntarily discontinued at the property owner's written request.
- B. A monthly fire hydrant charge of seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per unit served. Said monthly fire hydrant charge shall be charged irrespective of the amount of usage.
- C. In addition to the MBR described above, there shall be a charge of eleven dollars and sixty-four cents (\$11.64) for each one one-thousand (1000) gallons of water (or fraction thereof) used.

SECTION 3:

The water rates and charges for potable water supplied in bulk and not through the Village water lines (i.e. picked up at an approved bulk water dispensing location) are as follows:

- A. \$7.00 for each one one-thousand (1000) gallons of water (or fraction thereof) dispensed plus a twenty dollar (\$20.00) service charge per load dispensed.

SECTION 4:

The water rates and charges for potable water supplied for the purpose of filling a swimming pool are as follows:

- A. For water supplied to property owners within the corporate limits of the Village of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio, the rate shall be the same as prescribed in Section 1(C), as may be amended by Section 5, herein.
- B. For water supplied to property owners outside the corporate limits of the Village of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio, the rate shall be the same as prescribed in Section 1(C), as may be amended by Section 5, herein.
- C. Customers who purchase water under the provisions of this Section 4, may qualify to have their corresponding sewer charge waived for such water usage. In order for such sewer charge to be waived, customer must notify the Village Utility Clerk at least ninety-six (96) hours prior to such use or filling. The waiving of sewer charges hereunder shall be permitted no more than once in any calendar year.

SECTION 5:

Beginning January 1, 2022, the rates prescribed in Section 1 through Section 4, above, shall automatically increase each calendar year by three percent (3%) without further action from Council. The increase shall be calculated by the following formula:

- A. The previous year's rate or charge shall be considered the base rate ("BR").
- B. Three percent (3%) of the BR shall be added to the BR and rounded up to the nearest \$0.05 to calculate the increased effective rate for the subsequent calendar year.

Thus, by way of example, and without limitation, the effective rate beginning January 1, 2022 for the charge contemplated under Section 1(A), above, shall be twenty-two dollars and eleven cents (\$22.15), for the charge contemplated under Section 1(B), above, shall be fifty-two cents (\$0.55), and for the charge contemplated under Section 1(C), above, shall be eight dollars and two cents (\$8.05).

SECTION 6:

A deposit of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be required for any new service to a property. Said deposit shall be held for a maximum of twenty-four (24) months and shall accrue no interest, but shall be returned to the person who made the deposit upon the soonest occurring of the following and upon the following terms:

- A. At the time the water service is terminated, less any outstanding balance owed to the Village for water charges; or
- B. After twenty-four (24) months, the deposit shall be returned in full, less any outstanding balance owed to the Village for water charges.

SECTION 7:

A flat-rate charge for installing each new water tap from the Village water main to the private property line of each property, is established as follows:

- A. Eight-hundred dollars (\$800.00) for a tap located within the Village limits sized at three-quarters of an inch (0.75").
- B. One-thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for a tap located within the Village limits sized at one inch (1.0").
- C. One-thousand two-hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) for a tap located outside the Village limits sized at three-quarters of an inch (0.75").
- D. One-thousand five-hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) for a tap located outside the Village limits sized at one inch (1.0").
- E. Fees for larger taps not described above shall be determined by the Village administrator, on a case by case basis, based upon time and material.
- F. Taps shall only be installed during normal business hours.

SECTION 8:

The Clerk of the Village Water Department shall prepare, calculate, and mail all water bills to Village water customers in a manner according to law.

SECTION 9:

Any ordinance, resolution, or policy previously passed or enacted which conflicts in any way with this Ordinance is hereby repealed and held for naught.

SECTION 10:

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.


SECTION 11:

All formal actions of Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance and all deliberations of Council and any of its committees leading to such action were in meetings open to the public as required by Law.

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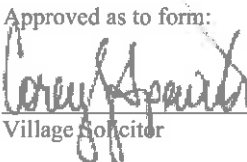
President of Council



Mayor

Attest:


Village Fiscal Officer

Approved as to form:


Village Solicitor