

ORDINANCE 2024-06

An Ordinance Establishing Rates and Charges for the use of and Services Rendered by the Water Works System of the Town of Ellettsville, Indiana, and Repealing all Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in Conflict Herewith.

WHEREAS, the Town of Ellettsville, Indiana ("Town"), owns and operates a municipal water works system ("Water Works"), by and through its Town Board ("Board"), furnishing the public water supply to the public in and around the Town and collecting rates and charges for such services pursuant to IC 8-1.5, et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Board previously determined that the existing rates and charges for the water utility services rendered do not produce sufficient revenues to pay all the legal and other necessary expenses incident to the operation of the Water Works, including maintenance costs, operating charges, upkeep, repairs, depreciation and interest charges on bonds or other obligations including leases, to provide a sinking fund for the liquidation of bonds or other obligations including leases, to provide a debt service reserve on bonds or other obligations including leases, to provide adequate money for working capital, and refinancing of debt to provide money for the payment of any taxes that may be assessed against the Water Works; and

WHEREAS, the Board, pursuant to IC 8-1.5-3-8, has the power, authority and responsibility to approve nondiscriminatory, reasonable and just Water Works rates and charges, subject to approval of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC"); and

WHEREAS, the Board, based upon data furnished by the recognized utility financial consultants, Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC ("Baker Tilly") employed by the Board to perform a Water Works rate study, adopted a proposed new schedule of rates and charges in Ordinance 2023-04 to provide increased revenues necessary to provide sufficient funds to meet such financial requirements of the Water Works and to maintain the Water Works property in a sound physical and financial condition to render adequate and efficient services; and

WHEREAS, the Town filed a petition with the IURC under Cause number 45900-U for authority to increase its rates and charges for water service and for approval of the new proposed schedule of rates and charges for water service approved by the Board in Ordinance 2023-04, among other things; and

WHEREAS, the IURC issued its Order in Cause number 45900-U on February 7, 2024, authorizing the Town to increase its rates and charges for utility service; and

WHEREAS, a tariff containing the schedule of rates and charges fixed by this Ordinance, as hereinafter set forth, was approved by the IURC on February 7, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF ELLETTSVILLE, INDIANA;

Section 1. There shall be and there are hereby established for the services rendered by the Water Works system of the Town of Ellettsville, Indiana, the following rates and charges, during each monthly billing period, starting April 1, 2024:

ELLETTSVILLE (INDIANA) MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY
Town of Ellettsville
Town Hall
Ellettsville, Indiana 47429

SCHEDULE OF WATER RATES AND CHARGES PHASE I

Pursuant to IURC Order in Cause No. 45900-U Approved February 7, 2024.

(a) Metered User Block Schedule:

For use of and service rendered by the waterworks system of the Town, based upon the use of water supplied by said waterworks system:

<u>Monthly Water Usage</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
First 3,000 gallons	\$7.98
Next 5,000 gallons	7.35
Next 12,000 gallons	6.58
Next 30,000 gallons	6.30
Next 50,000 gallons	6.07
Next 100,000 gallons	5.91
Over 200,000 gallons	5.79

(b) Metered User Minimum Schedule:

Each user shall pay a minimum charge in accordance with the following applicable size of meter installed, for which the user will be entitled to the quantity of water set out in the above schedule of rates.

<u>Minimum Charges</u>	<u>Monthly Gallage</u>	
5/8 inch meter	3,000	\$ 23.94
3/4 inch meter	3,336	26.41
1 inch meter	3,611	28.43
1 1/4 inch meter	5,826	44.71
1 1/2 inch meter	6,934	52.85
2 inch meter	11,405	83.09
3 inch meter	19,730	137.87
4 inch meter	49,765	327.17
6 inch meter	99,540	629.36
8 inch meter	159,240	982.26

(c) Fire Protection Service

Municipal Hydrant User Charges

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Per Month</u>
5/8 inch	\$ 2.13
3/4 inch	2.34
1 inch	2.97
1 1/2 inch	3.82
2 inch	6.18
3 inch	23.44
4 inch	29.79
6 inch	44.69
8 inch	61.83
Private Hydrants (Per Hydrant, Per Annum)	\$256.88

Automatic Sprinkler Charges

1 inch connection	\$ 7.14
1 1/4 inch connection	11.15
1 1/2 inch connection	16.04
2 inch connection	28.54
3 inch connection	64.13
4 inch connection	114.15
6 inch connection	256.88
8 inch connection	456.69
10 inch connection	821.31
12 inch connection	1,326.63

Section 2. The Schedule of Rates and Charges set forth in Table A of the Appendix to Chapter 51 of the Ellettsville Town Code of Ordinances is hereby amended in conformity herewith.

Section 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Ellettsville this 11th day of March, 2024.

Voted for:

Voted Against:

Scott Oldham, President

Scott Oldham, President

Dan Swafford, Vice President

Dan Swafford, Vice President

Pamela Samples, Member

Pamela Samples, Member

Trevor Sager, Member

Trevor Sager, Member

William Ellis, Member

William Ellis, Member

ATTEST:

Noelle Conyer, Clerk/Treasurer

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Noelle Conyer Clerk/Treasurer