TOWN OF LAGRANGE, INDIANA ORDINANCE NO. 2020-04-20(A)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RATES AND CHARGES OF THE TOWN OF LAGRANGE MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY

WHEREAS, the Town of LaGrange, Indiana, is the owner of and operates a public Waterworks furnishing the public water supply to said Town and its inhabitants; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted Ordinance No. 2015-08-03(b), 2006-1-3(c), 2006-1-3(d), 2000-11-6 and 1997-11-7 to establish the existing rates and charges for the use of and service rendered by the Waterworks of said Town in order to produce sufficient revenue to pay all of the necessary expenses incident to the operation of the Utility, including maintenance costs, operating charges, upkeep, and other obligations; to provide a sinking fund for the liquidation of bonds and other indebtedness; funds for making extensions and replacements; and for the payment of taxes that may be assessed against such Utility; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council now finds that the existing rates and charges for the use of and service rendered by the Waterworks of said Town are too low and are insufficient to produce sufficient revenue to pay all of the necessary expenses of the Utility;

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED that Ordinance No. 2015-08-03(b), 2006-1-3(c), 2006-1-3(d), 2000-11-6 and 1997-11-7 are hereby amended as follows:

"For the use of and the services rendered by the Water Utility of the Town of LaGrange, Indiana, the following rates and charges are based upon the amount of water supplied by said Water Utility.

			Rate Per 1,000 Gallons	
a.	Consumption Per Month Gallons		Inside Town <u>Boundaries</u>	Outside Town Boundaries
	First	2,000 gallons	\$7.79	\$8.95
	Next	5,000 gallons	6.64	7.62
	Next	8,000 gallons	5.52	6.34
	Next	10,000 gallons	4.46	5.12
	Over	25,000 gallons	2.93	3.36

Outside Town boundaries rates and charges include a surcharge of 14.9% above Inside Town rates.

b. Minimum Monthly Charge

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.

		Monthly Minimum	
Size of Meter (Inches)	Minimum <u>Gallons</u>	Inside Town Boundaries	Outside Town <u>Boundaries</u>
5/8" – 3/4"	2,000	\$15.58	\$17.90
1"	7,088	49.27	56.56
1-1/2"	13,754	86.06	98.82
2"	28,492	147.77	169.65
3"	78,492	294.27	337.65
4"	145,175	489.65	561.71
6"	228,492	733.77	841.65

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Apartment buildings will be charged the greater of:

- 1) Actual flow, subject to minimum monthly charges
- 2) Number of apartments times minimum charge for a 5/8" meter

c. Private Fire Protection – per annum

	Inside Town	Outside Town <u>Boundaries</u>	
Connection Size	Boundaries		
6"	\$1,261.60	\$1,449.57	
8"	1,854.10	2,130.36	
10"	2,448.00	2,812.75	
Hydrant	1,261.60	1,449.57	

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d. Public Fire Protection

	Inside Town	Outside Town	
	Boundaries	Boundaries	
Charge per Hydrant	\$1,261.60	N/A	

Per month based on water meter size

	Inside Town	Outside Town	
Meter Size	Boundaries	Boundaries	
5/8" – 3/4"	N/A	\$15.43	
1"	N/A	38.58	
1-1/2"	N/A	77.15	
2"	N/A	123.44	
3"	N/A	231.45	
4"	N/A	385.75	
6"	N/A	771.50	

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e. Public Fountain

	Inside Town	Outside Town	
	Boundaries	Boundaries	
Charge per Fountain	\$1,261.60	N/A	

Non-Recurring Charges

Deposit	\$100.00
Tag Charge	5.00
Reconnection Charge	25.00
Returned Check Fee	40.00

Tap Fees

5/8" -3/4" \$200.00 1" and larger Cost, but not less than 200.00 Must pay the minimum and receive a permit from the Clerk-Treasurer's office before receiving a building permit.

Delinquent Bill charges

After 10th day of month

Ten percent (10%) of delinquent bill

In all other respects, Ordinance No. 2015-05-03(b), 2006-1-3(c), 2006-1-3(d), 2000-11-6 and 1997-11-7 are hereby reaffirmed where not inconsistent with the rates and charges herein modified.

The rates and charges above shall become effective and apply to the first full consumption cycle following approval of this Ordinance.

Passed and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of LaGrange, Indiana, on the 20TH day of April 2020.

TOWN BOARD OF LAGRANGE, INDIANA