ORDINANCE 1823

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULE "A," A NON-CODIFIED PORTION OFTHE MUNICIPAL CODE, AMENDING FEES FOR WATER UTILITIES

WHEREAS, the Town Council has established Schedule "A" for the purposes of centralizing all fees and service charges for Town services, permits, licenses and products; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2018, the Town Council for the Town of Munster adopted Ordinance 1746, An Ordinance Amending Schedule "A", A Non-Codified Portion of the Municipal Code, Amending Fees for Water Utilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Munster has recently entered into an agreement with the City of Hammond which will increase the wholesale water rate retroactive to January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town of Munster to make payment to the City of Hammond to pay for the retroactive increase in the wholesale water rate, and it is advisable to assess a flat fee to all users for a six-month period beginning with the water utility bill due July 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, from time-to-time various fees and charges are reviewed to ensure they are covering the appropriate share of the cost for providing the service or creating the product.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Munster, Lake County, Indiana, that Schedule "A" of the Munster Municipal Code be amended as follows:

Sections 2(A)A.1 and 2(A)A.2 shall be deleted in their entirety and replaced with the following:

(2) Utilities

(A) WATER rates and charges will be amended as follows:

A.l For the use of and the service rendered by the waterworks system of the Town of MunsterIndiana, the following rates and charges will be applied based on the amount of water supplied during each monthly period. All accounts will be billed monthly. All rates will go into effect with the utility bills due July 20, 2021 which reflects usage beginning on or about May 14, 2021.

		CURRENT	AMENDED
Monthly Metered Consumption		Rate Per 1,000 Gallons	Rate Per 1,000 Gallons
First	5,000	$ 3.13	$ 3.70
Next	10,000	$ 2.94	$ 3.50
Next	20,000	$ 2.73	$ 3.28
Next	40,000	$ 2.54	$ 3.08
Next	75,000	$ 2.37	$ 2.91
Over	150,000	$ 2.19	$ 2.72

Additionally, a flat fee shall be assessed on all current users for a six-month period beginning with the water utility bill due July 20, 2021, based on the users' meter size as follows:

Meter Size	Projected Retroactive Increase	Monthly Retroactive For Bills 7/20/21-12/20/21
5/8" - 3/4"	$24.55	$4.09
1"	$27.31	$4.55
1-1/2"	$32.73	$5.46
2"	$36.83	$6.14
3"	$40.92	$6.82
4"	$40.92	$6.82
6"	$54.57	$9.10
8"	$81.88	$13.65

A.2 Minimum Charge - Each user shall pay a minimum monthly charge in accordance with the size of the meter installed for which the user will be entitled to the quantity of water set out in the above schedule of rates.

Meter Size	Minimum Consumption	CURRENT Monthly Minimum Charge	AMENDED Monthly Minimum Charge
5/8" - 3/4"	2,967	$9.29	$10.98
1"	7,983	$24.42	$28.94
1-1/2"	16,456	$49.02	$58.28
2"	30,048	$86.13	$102.86
3"	68,844	$185.61	$223.34
4"	138,566	$351.90	$427.28
6"	323,380	$758.70	$932.14
8"	557,060	$1,270.46	$1,567.75

ORDAINED and **ADOPTED** this ___ day of _____ 2021, by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ opposed.

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MUNSTER, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

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Dr. Andy Koultourides President

ATTEST:

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Wendy Mis
Clerk-Treasurer