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### ORDINANCE 1857

#### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULE “A,” A NON-CODIFIED PORTION OF THE 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**, 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:

#### (2) Utilities

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

A.1 For the use of and the service rendered by the waterworks system of the Town of Munster, Indiana, 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 as follows.

Rate Year	Usage starting on or about	Bill due date
FY2022	5/15/2022	7/20/2022
FY2023	1/15/2023	3/20/2023
FY2024	1/15/2024	3/20/2024
FY2025	1/15/2025	3/20/2025

#### RESIDENTIAL

Monthly Metered Consumption	Current	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
0–5,000	\$3.70	\$4.78	\$5.75	\$6.66	\$7.57
5,001–15,000	3.50	4.52	5.44	6.30	7.16
15,001–35,000	3.28	4.24	5.10	5.91	6.72
35,001–75,000	3.08	3.98	4.79	5.55	6.31
75,001–150,000	2.91	3.76	4.53	5.25	5.97
150,001+	2.71	3.50	4.22	4.89	5.56

#### BUSINESS

Monthly Metered Consumption	Current	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
0–5,000	\$3.70	\$5.38	\$6.52	\$7.55	\$8.61
5,001–15,000	3.50	5.09	6.17	7.14	8.14
15,001–35,000	3.28	4.77	5.78	6.69	7.63

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35,001–75,000	3.08	4.48	5.43	6.28	7.16
75,001–150,000	2.91	4.23	5.13	5.93	6.76
150,001+	2.71	3.94	4.78	5.53	6.30

Business Accounts will be designated as those entities that utilize commercial water per the National Handbook of Recommended Methods for Water Data Acquisition published by the USGS. The definition of commercial water use as follows:

*Commercial water use includes water used by commercial facilities such as hotels, motels, restaurants, office buildings, government and military facilities, hospitals, educational institutions, and retail sales stores. Commercial water use in office buildings primarily is used for sanitation, maintenance, and aesthetic appeal. Specific uses of water include toilet flushing, air-conditioning, washing floors and other surfaces, fountains and lawn watering . . . Commercial activities also take place in institutions, such as hospitals, prisons, and schools; and in resorts; hotels; motels; camp grounds; and restaurants, therefore, commercial uses of water also includes food preparation, pools, and laundries*

## SPRINKLER

Monthly Metered Consumption	Current	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
0–5,000	\$3.70	\$4.78	\$5.75	\$6.66	\$7.57
5,001–15,000	3.50	4.52	5.44	6.30	7.16
15,001–35,000	3.28	4.24	5.10	5.91	6.72
35,001–75,000	3.08	3.98	4.79	5.55	6.31
75,001–150,000	2.91	3.76	4.53	5.25	5.97
150,001+	2.71	3.50	4.22	4.89	5.56

A.2 Minimum Charge – Each user shall pay a minimum fee in accordance with the size of the meter installed for which the user will be entitled to the quantity of water set out as follows:

### Residential – Minimum Charge

Meter Size	Consumption Volume	Current	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
5/8"	2,967	\$10.98	\$14.18	\$17.06	\$19.76	\$22.46
1"	7,983	28.94	37.38	44.98	52.09	59.21
1.5"	16,456	58.28	75.27	90.58	104.9	119.23
2"	30,048	102.86	132.9	159.89	185.23	210.57
3"	68,844	223.34	288.6	347.26	402.33	457.41
4"	138,566	427.28	552.11	664.7	770.22	875.74
6"	323,380	932.14	1,201.93	1,448.16	1,678.08	1,907.99
8"	557,060	1567.75	2,019.81	2,434.29	2,820.77	3,207.25

### Business – Minimum Charge

Meter Size	Consumption	Current	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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Volume						
5/8"	2,967	\$10.98	\$15.96	\$19.34	\$22.40	\$25.55
1"	7,983	28.94	42.08	51.01	59.05	67.33
1.5"	16,456	58.28	84.75	102.72	118.89	135.56
2"	30,048	102.86	149.58	181.28	209.82	239.27
3"	68,844	223.34	324.82	393.67	455.49	519.37
4"	138,566	427.28	621.28	753.19	871.1	993.16
6"	323,380	932.14	1,352.77	1,640.61	1,897.69	2,162.74
8"	557,060	1,567.75	2,273.47	2,757.60	3,189.94	3,634.93

### Sprinkler – Minimum Charge

Meter Size	Consumption Volume	Current	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
5/8"	2,967	\$10.98	\$14.18	\$17.06	\$19.76	\$22.46
1"	7,983	28.94	37.38	44.98	52.09	59.21
1.5"	16,456	58.28	75.27	90.58	104.9	119.23
2"	30,048	102.86	132.9	159.89	185.23	210.57
3"	68,844	223.34	288.6	347.26	402.33	457.41
4"	138,566	427.28	552.11	664.7	770.22	875.74
6"	323,380	932.14	1,201.93	1,448.16	1,678.08	1,907.99
8"	557,060	1,567.75	2,019.81	2,434.29	2,820.77	3,207.25

### A.5 Connection Charge

Tap Size		CURRENT	AMENDED
5/8" – 3/4"	tap	\$ 480.00	\$ 510.00
1"	tap	\$ 534.00	\$ 570.00
1 1/2"	tap	\$ 640.00	\$ 680.00
2"	tap	\$ 720.00	\$ 760.00
3"	tap	\$ 800.00	\$ 840.00
4"	tap	\$ 800.00	\$ 840.00
6"	tap	\$ 1,067.00	\$ 1,130.00
8"	tap	\$ 1,601.00	\$ 1,690.00

### A.6 Reconnection Charge

Voluntary turn on: regular hours	\$28.00/occurrence
Voluntary turn off: regular hours	\$28.00/occurrence
Voluntary turn on: after hours	\$100.00/occurrence
Voluntary turn off: after hours	\$100.00/occurrence
Turn on due to nonpayment: regular hours	\$45.00/occurrence
Turn off due to nonpayment: regular hours	\$45.00/occurrence
Turn on due to nonpayment: after hours	\$155.00/occurrence
Turn off due to nonpayment: after hours	\$155.00/occurrence

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### A.8 Water Deposits

<u>Customer Water Deposit</u>					
Meter Size	Current	2022	2023	2024	2025
5/8"	\$ 100.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 155.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 170.00
1"	\$ 150.00	\$ 215.00	\$ 235.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 270.00
1.5"	\$ 215.00	\$ 430.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 560.00	\$ 625.00
2"	\$ 320.00	\$ 620.00	\$ 745.00	\$ 855.00	\$ 970.00
3"	\$ 590.00	\$ 1,130.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,630.00	\$ 1,875.00
4"	\$ 1,070.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,400.00
6"	\$ 2,350.00	\$ 4,125.00	\$ 5,250.00	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 7,200.00
8"	\$ 3,850.00	\$ 6,550.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 10,100.00	\$ 12,000.00

<u>Customer Sprinkler Deposit</u>					
Meter Size	Current	2022	2023	2024	2025
5/8"	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 50.00
1"	\$ 55.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 130.00
1.5"	\$ 110.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 370.00	\$ 430.00
2"	\$ 175.00	\$ 420.00	\$ 540.00	\$ 655.00	\$ 760.00
3"	\$ 385.00	\$ 915.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,425.00	\$ 1,645.00
4"	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 2,710.00	\$ 3,150.00
6"	\$ 1,610.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 4,900.00	\$ 5,900.00	\$ 6,900.00
8"	\$ 2,670.00	\$ 6,400.00	\$ 8,300.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 11,600.00

Utility Deposits shall be refunded after 12 months of consecutive on-time payments. Deposits shall be approximately equal to two months of the current minimum charges for water consumption and hydrant maintenance based upon the meter size, H.S.D. administrative and user charges, Munster sewer maintenance (stormwater) and solid waste fees. A deposit for solid waste shall only be required for accounts that are provided solid waste collection by the Town or its vendor.

#### Hydrant Meter Deposit

Any size meter      At cost

Hydrant meter deposits are refunded after the customer/contractor has returned the meter and paid any charges. If the meter is used on behalf of the Town, the contractor is not charged for consumption

### A.10 Maintenance of Service Pipes and Meters

A two-day grace period shall be granted to

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the customer when a leak in their service line has been detected. A charge of 37.35 per day will be made if wasting of water continues.

	\$ 37.35	\$ 40.00
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### A.11 Construction Water (plus sales tax)

4 months or less, Residential

\$150.00

Each additional month, up to 12 months	\$ 37.00
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Temporary water service (plus water)	\$ 30.00
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All non-residential permits

\$0.06509/sq.ft.

(Rates based on 1" minimum charges)

A.12c Delinquent charges may be waived on a one-time basis when the customer agrees to sign up for automatic payment of utility bills. Delinquent charges may be waived on a one-time basis when the customer has zero delinquent charges for the preceding, consecutive twelve months.

### A.16 Fire Protection Charges

#### Municipal Hydrant Maintenance

<u>Meter Size</u>		<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>
5/8" – 3/4"	meter	\$ 1.49	\$ 1.60
1"	meter	\$ 3.72	\$ 4.00
1 1/2"	meter	\$ 7.43	\$ 7.90
2"	meter	\$ 11.89	\$ 12.50
3"	meter	\$ 22.31	\$ 23.50
4"	meter	\$ 37.20	\$ 39.10
6"	meter	\$ 74.35	\$ 78.10

#### Private Hydrant Connection (per month)

<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>
\$ 21.80	\$ 22.90

#### Private Fire Sprinkler Connections (per month)

<u>Connection Size</u>		<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>
2"	connection	\$ 5.45	\$ 5.80
3"	connection	\$ 10.89	\$ 11.50
4"	connection	\$ 21.80	\$ 22.90
6"	connection	\$ 43.59	\$ 45.80
8"	connection	\$ 79.92	\$ 84.00

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10" connection	\$ 123.49	\$ 129.70
12" connection	\$ 181.59	\$ 190.70

**ORDAINED** and **ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2022, by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ opposed.

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

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**Chuck Gardiner**

**President**

**ATTEST:**

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**Wendy Mis**  
**Clerk-Treasurer**