**ORDINANCE 2024-10**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH WATER RATES, FEES AND CHARGES TO MUNCIPAL UTILITIES AND REPEALING ANY ORDIANNCES IN CONFLICT HEREIN**

**NOW, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF DEGRAFF, OHIO:**

For the purpose of providing for the cost of furnishing, management, maintenance, operation, repair, and capital improvement of the Village of DeGraff water the following rates, charges, fees, and penalties shall be charged by the water works department of the Village of DeGraff as follows:

**SECTION 1:**

A. Water rates for consumers within the Village Corporation, minimum service charge shall be $34.50 for the first 2,000 gallons

**SECTION 2:**

A. Water rates for consumers outside of the Village Corporation limit, minimum service charge shall and usage rates shall be an additional 1.5 times the current rate

**SECTION 3:**

A. Water consumption exceeding 2,000 gallons for Village Corporation residents shall be charged $3.80 per 1,000 gallons used.
B. Water consumption exceeding 2,000 gallons for out of corporation residents shall be charged $5.70 per 1,000 gallons

**SECTION 4:**

A. Fees and Charges
    1. Reconnection Fee $25.00
       (Ordinance No. 20-11, Section G, I and 1-7)
    2. Returned Payment Fee charged at Current bank rate
       (Ordinance No. 20-11 Section 1-274)
    3. Penalty Fee – Late Payment 15%
       (Ordinance No. 20-11, Section E)
    4. Bulk Water Fee $15.00 per 1,000 Gallons
       (Ordinance No. 20-11, Section 1-8)
    5. Meter (damaged) cost of material plus $15.00
       (Ordinance No. 20-111, Section 2-6)
    6. Service Availability Debt Fee $9.40 Monthly
       (Assessed on inactive accounts in accordance with Ordinance No. 20-11, Section 2-8F & 2-8G)

**SECTION 4 (CONTINUED):**

B. Water Deposit Fee
    1. Owner $0.00
    2. Renter $69.00
C. Schedule a Tap-In Fee
    1. ¾" $1500.00
    2. 1" $1700.00
    3. Anything above 1" shall be charged for time, materials, and system fees.
    4. This shall be charged for all new taps not included in the schedule of tap-in fees
D. System Fees
    1. Backhoe Operation $125.00/hour
    2. Labor $50.00/ hour per employee
    3. Tap fees for development shall be negotiated; along with approval of prints.

**SECTION 5: NSF Checks**

A. The Village finds it necessary to limit the number of non-sufficient funds (NSF) received from residents. After the 3rd NSF received the resident will be required to pay by money order or cash only.

**SECTION 6: Guaranteed Deposits**

A. Deposits on your water bill will be added to your final bill. Any overage will be reimbursed to the resident, and any additional owed over the deposit will need to be paid by the resident.
B. In the case of a final bill not being paid, the Village of DeGraff Council has the ability to proceed with legal action.

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Mayor President Pro Tempore

I, Kassandra Staley, Fiscal Officer for the Village of DeGraff, Ohio do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance 2024-10 passed by the Village of DeGraff Council on the _____ day of _____, 2024.

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Fiscal Officer

1st Reading: _____
2nd Reading: _____
3rd Reading: _____