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WATER CHARGES SCHEDULE

The following schedule of water charges together with rules and regulations are made effective May 11, 2015. The new charges are as follows:

| SCHEDULE OF WATER CHARGES PER QUARTER YEAR | | | | | | | |
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| Minimum Charge | | | | Multi Use Commercial Accounts | Additional Consumption Charge Per 1,000 Gallons over Allowance | | |
| Meter Size | Residential Government Institutional | Commercial | Total Gallons Allowed | | | Residential Government Institutional | Commercial |
| 5/8" | \$ 94.71 | \$108.17 | 6,000 | *Full service user (\$94.71 each) 6,000 gal. Allowance | Next 4,000 gal. | \$2.03 | \$3.42 |
| 3/4" | \$101.44 | \$114.87 | | ***Secondary user (\$47.32 each) 3,000 gal. Allowance | Next 10,000 gal. | \$2.72 | \$3.07 |
| 1" | \$114.87 | \$128.47 | | ***Partial user (\$20.30 each) No additional Allowance | Next 20,000 gal. | \$3.42 | \$2.78 |
| 1 1/2" | \$135.14 | \$148.77 | | | Next 60,000 gal. | \$4.06 | \$2.43 |
| 2" | \$155.44 | \$169.07 | | | Over 60,000 gal. | \$5.39 | \$1.74 |
| 3" | \$189.37 | \$203.00 | | | | | |

CUSTOMER CATEGORY DEFINITIONS

CHARGES FOR ALL APPLICABLE CATEGORIES ARE ADDED TO DETERMINE THE PROPERTY OWNER'S TOTAL QUARTERLY BILL.

COMMERCIAL ACCOUNTS:

Definition: *Commercial accounts* are income producing properties that may have more than one dwelling unit and/or have one or more businesses or rental units; e.g. apartments, office, retail, etc.

A. METERED FULL SERVICE USERS: *

Definition: *single-use* and *multiple-occupancy commercial* customers, e.g., apartment buildings, rental units, businesses, etc. where water passes through a single meter.

B. SECONDARY FULL SERVICE USERS:**

Definition: *Secondary full service users* are Apartments, efficiencies and businesses that have lavatory/bathroom facilities AND separate sink facilities within them, and are connected to the water supply via a *metered full service user*.

C. PARTIAL SERVICE USERS:***

Definition: *Partial service users* are rooms such as in a motel, hotel, boarding house, bed and breakfast, nursing home, daycare facilities or business that contain only lavatory/bathroom facilities and are connected to the water supply via a *metered full service user*.

OTHER USERS:

Municipal Recreational Drinking Fountains and Lavatories

Definition: Public drinking fountains and lavatories not within nor connected to a *metered full service user*.

Charge: No service or consumption charge.

Private Metered Yard Hydrants

Definition: *Private metered yard hydrants* for lawn and garden use.

Charge: *each private metered yard hydrant* will be charged \$94.71 per quarter with a 6,000-gallon allowance.

Religious Buildings: Definition: A metered sanctuary building. (Parsonages and other separate Religious owned buildings including church schools are considered full service users.)

Charge: Religious Buildings shall pay a flat \$58.00 charge per quarter, and pay commercial consumption charges after the first 6,000 gallons.

FIRE SERVICE USERS:

Private Fire Service:

Definition: Sprinkler connections, hoses and hydrants.

Charge: Ready to serve - \$94.71 per quarter. (Unlimited Usage)

Public Fire Service:

Definition: Fire Hydrants

Charge: Ready to serve - \$20.40 per quarter.

TURN-ON / TURN-OFF POLICY

Metered Full Service Users: The Milford Water Authority (the “Authority”) will turn off water and remove the water meter only upon an owner’s written request. The Authority will turn water back on only upon an owner’s written request for a \$75.00 turn-on charge. If the Authority, in response to an owner’s written request, turns off water for repairs inside the building, and it does not require the meter to be removed, the service call charge will be \$40.00.

PAYMENT:

ALL BILLS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER. ALL BILLS ARE PAYABLE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS. Any bill not paid within thirty (30) days shall be subject to a late fee of five (5%) percent per quarter. Any bills not paid in full within ninety-one (91) days may also subject the Owner, upon notification, to additional fees of ten (10%) percent per annum. A lien against the property, and legal fees in accordance with the Municipal Claims and Liens Act, will be filed with the Pike County Prothonotary’s office after the third billing cycle of unpaid water fees.

The Authority will implement a water turn-off procedure for bills overdue more than 10 days past the due date. Water will not be turned back on until the full outstanding amount is paid. Residential tenants (renters) will be notified of the Owner’s failure to pay prior to the turn off at the same time Owner is notified. It is the Owner’s obligation to advise the Authority in writing of any change, addition, modification, telephone number change, etc., in user status (i.e. residential, government, institutional or commercial) in their properties at the time of such change. Failure to so advise the Authority may subject the Owner to legal action to collect any monies due the Authority.

INSUFFICIENT FUND FEE:

A charge of \$35.00 for administrative fees (plus applicable bank fees incurred by the Authority) will be assessed for each check returned for insufficient funds.

SUSPENDED SERVICE FEE:

If service is turned off for non-payment of a bill, there will be a \$75.00 turn-on charge to have service restored. An account will still be considered active and accrue further quarterly bills unless the Owner of the property notifies the Authority, in writing, that they want their account turned off and suspended and the water meter removed. (See Turn-off Policy) If the Owner requests to have service restored after normal business hours (Monday through Friday 7:00 am to 3:00 pm,) or on weekends or holidays, there will be a \$100.00 charge. If the Authority has to post an owner's property for non-payment 10 days past the due date, there will be a \$25.00 fee charged.

APPLICATION FEE:

A \$30.00 application fee will be charged to all new customers.

PAYMENT HISTORY CERTIFICATION FEE:

A \$15.00 fee will be charged for transactions requiring account information for the sale of a property.

METERS/READOUT UNITS, PADS:

Responsibility for Ownership and Installation

- Water meters and readouts pads are the property of the Authority.
- The property OWNER is responsible for protecting the water meter and readout units from damage or destruction including those due to home repairs, freezing, and willful negligence.
- The property OWNER is responsible for payment for repairs or replacement to a meter stemming from damage or destruction while under their control. There will be a \$40.00 service call charge plus any additional materials and labor charges involved to repair or replace a meter.
- Property OWNERS and/or landlords are responsible for all plumbing from the curb box to and including the interior of their buildings, occupied or vacant. In the event of a leak large enough to trigger the Authority to issue an Emergency Notification to the General Public to check their properties and buildings for abnormal water discharge, the property owner and/or landlord at fault who fails to notify the Authority of the discharge after the alert is sent, will be responsible for not only the metered water lost during the leak, but also reimbursement to the Authority for all expenses incurred during the detection and subsequent containment of the leak. The Authority retains the right to shut down water to the property until the repair is complete.
- It is the responsibility of the property OWNER and/or landlord to provide the Authority with a current telephone number by which they can be reached at any time for emergency notification.
- The property OWNER is responsible to keep exterior readout pads accessible.
- If a customer requests a meter calibration, there will be a fee of \$40.00. If the Authority finds that the meter is out of calibration, the \$40.00 fee will be returned.

SERVICE CHARGE FOR CONNECTIONS:

Connections from the street main to the curb line, including the curb box or stop, will be made only by the Authority and shall be under its sole control. The Authority will charge for each new connection as follows.

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| ¾" | \$2,000.00 | 4" | \$ 4,400.00 |
| 1" | \$2,200.00 | 6" | \$ 5,400.00 |
| 1 ½" | \$2,600.00 | 8" | \$ 6,400.00 |
| 2" | \$2,800.00 | 10" | \$ 9,400.00 |
| 3" | \$3,400.00 | 12" | \$10,400.00 |

The above charges may be increased by extenuating circumstances such as jack boring, large rock excavation and related, unforeseen or unanticipated problems, including inspection fees charged by the State for working in state highways, if required. Installation of water service pipes from the curb box to the building is the Owner's responsibility. All installations on private property must conform to the Authority's specifications before water will be supplied.