

Village of Lynchburg
Ordinance 2022-05
ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH SEWER RATES

WHEREAS, the Village of Lynchburg reviews sewer rates annually, and the Council desires to have a separate legislation for each of the Village utilities, now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Lynchburg, State of Ohio, that

SECTION ONE:

Beginning 30 days after passage, the rates to be charged for sewer furnished by the Village Sewer Department to all consumers within the Village Corporation limits, is hereby fixed at the minimum base rate as follows: **\$39.80** for 0 to 2,000 gallons plus \$.200 surcharge for each additional 100 gallons over the base rate.

SECTION TWO:

All monthly charges for water, sewer, trash, and any other Village billed utilities will be billed to each address or dwelling unit. Multi-family dwellings will be billed no less than the minimum allowable rates per address or dwelling unit even in the event the owner/manager may be receiving only one billing statement.

SECTION THREE:

Any customer tapping in the existing Village sewer system must connect the property served at the customer's expense of **\$2,500.00** per dwelling unit. Any customer wishing to tap into the system where there is no existing sewer system infrastructure shall be responsible for all costs related to the extension of the existing sewer system infrastructure plus the tap fee of **\$2,500.00**. All construction regarding the sewer system infrastructure must be performed by Village contractors. All such fees must be paid in full to the Village before construction begins.

- A. Payment of the sewer tap fee entitles the property owner to connect to the Lynchburg wastewater collection system and to begin discharging permissible wastewater into the collection system so long as the required monthly charges are paid. Any digging or excavating to the existing infrastructure for installation of the lateral line shall be the responsibility of the property owner. All costs connecting to the existing system shall be the responsibility of the property owner, subject to the inspection and approval of the Village Administrator.
- B. No sewer service shall be provided until all of the above fees are paid to the Village.
- C. The property owner paying these fees is not paying for any particular type, kind, size, or location of connection to the system, rather the prospective customer is paying fees directly related to a fair and apportioned part to the existing infrastructure of the sewer system including the piping, easements, pumps, plants, contracts, trained personnel and grounds necessary to the maintenance of operation of the sewer system in the Village of Lynchburg.
- D. There shall be no refund of any fees for termination of the sewer service.

- E. If an owner/customer is constructing a multiple-use facility such as an apartment building or commercial structure, fees will be assessed based upon:
- The presence of a prior existing tap
 - The estimated number of users
 - Any special circumstances related to the usage of the wastewater collection system, as determined by Council.
 - Each separate unit will require a separate meter.
 - Monthly charges under this Ordinance shall be billed to each connection address or dwelling unit. In multiple dwelling units, the minimum charge will be billed as to each unit, even where the owner is sent a single statement. These individual charges will be an off-set to the statement sent to the owner of the multiple dwelling units.

SECTION FOUR:

The rates and charges provided herein may be adjusted by application to and approval by Village Council to promote economic development or to equitably apportion additional stress imposed on the system.

SECTION FIVE:

This ordinance shall become effective upon passage by a majority of the members of Council, approval by Mayor, and after 30 days following public notice according to law.

Passed: 0-0

Date Passed: 12/12/22

Mayor: James A. Burton

Council Members:

Marty Sailer

Chuck Hamlin

Judy A. Davis

Attested: [Signature]

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2nd Reading = 11/10/22