

**SPRING TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY**

**WATER SERVICE REGULATIONS**

**ADOPTED AUGUST 24, 2011**

**(Residential Rates Revised – January 1 , 2019)**

These regulations are a part of the contract with every applicant for water service and every such person, by taking water, agrees to be legally bound hereby. The Authority reserves the right to change or amend, without notice, these regulations and rates for water service.

## SECTION 1 - CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

### 1.01 APPLICATION FOR SERVICE

- A. Any property owner desiring the introduction of a service line or lines from the Authority's mains into his/her premises, must first make a written application on the form furnished by the Authority, stating the street and house number or location, the name of the owner and/or tenant's employer, and the employer's address.
- B. The application must be signed by the owner of the premises, or his duly authorized agent, which application together with the regulations of the Authority, shall regulate and control the service of water to such premises.
- C. Such application must be made at least 48 hours before service is required and must be properly approved by the Authority before water will be turned on.
- D. In cases where new occupants move into a residence where the former occupant's meter had not been read, the occupant will be billed for water consumed during the next meter reading period and the charge prorated backward to the date of the new occupancy.
- E. No agreement for service will be entered into by the authority with any applicant, whether owner or tenant, until all arrears for water service, meter repairs, or other charges due on subject property have been paid, or until satisfactory arrangements for payment of such unpaid bills shall have been made.
- F. Any customer making any material change in the size, character or extent of equipment or operations utilizing water service, or whose change in operation results in a substantial increase in the use of water, shall immediately give the Authority written notice of the nature of the change. The Authority shall have the right, upon the (10) days notice, to discontinue water service until such notice has been made and the change approved.
- G. All contracts for water shall continue in force from quarter to quarter, but either party may cancel the contract by giving ten (10) days written notice that the contract shall be terminated at a certain future date. For service beginning during a quarterly period, the minimum charge shall be pro-rated to the regular time of reading the meter, except that no such bill shall be rendered for less than one dollar (\$1.00).
- H. Metered water consumers may take the water allowed by their minimum quarterly rate at any time during the quarterly billing period but failure to use their full allowance in any one quarterly billing period shall not entitle them to any rebate or allowance to use an excess in any other quarterly billing period.
- I. Upon approval of the application for a new service connection, the Authority will require the applicant to pay the appropriate fees and the Authority will tap the main, insert the corporation stop, and install a meter, all of which shall remain the property of the Authority.

- J. Where special service charges are fixed or cost of service of any kind is estimated, payment must be made at the time application is submitted and before the service is granted.
- K. When the premises are vacated, the consumer must give notice at the Authority office so that the water may be turned off, and he/she will be responsible for all charges for water service until such notice is given.
- L. A new application must be made on any change in occupancy or property. The Authority may discontinue the water service until such new applications have been made and approved.
- M. Any application may be refused by the Authority for proper cause.
- N. Contracts may be canceled by the Authority for proper cause upon giving ten (10) days notice of such cancellation.
- O. Upon submission of an application for service, the owner or developer will sign a preliminary agreement with the Authority to include a two thousand dollar (\$2,000) escrow deposit to cover the costs of all legal, administrative, and engineering work concerning a preliminary plan. The Authority will initiate no action on the preliminary plans prior to receipt of the deposit.

#### 1.02 DEFINITION OF CONSUMER

- A. Each separate residential and /or business, which to a major degree is a separate unit, shall be a "consumer."
- B. "Consumer," as used herein, shall be the owner or tenant contracting for a supply of water to a property as herein classified:
  - 1. A building under one roof and occupied as one business or resident.
  - 2. A combination of buildings in one common enclosure occupied by one family or business.
  - 3. One side of a double house having a solid, vertical, partition wall.
  - 4. Each unit of a building of more than one apartment and using in common, one hall and one entrance.
  - 5. Each unit of a building having a number or apartment and/or offices, and/or businesses using, in common, one hall or one or more means of entrance.

#### 1.03 CONSUMERS TO SUPPLY OTHER CONSUMERS

- A. No owner or tenant of any premises supplied with water by the Authority will be allowed to supply other persons or families or other premises, except by written permit from the Authority.

- B. Consumers who violate this regulation may have their water service terminated after a notice of ten (10) days and it may remain so until such permit is obtained and the Authority is satisfied that the regulations will be observed.
- C. TWO OR MORE CONSUMERS ON SAME SERVICE
  - 1. When two or more consumers are supplied water from the same service line to the curb, a distinct and separate house service line, curb stop, curb box, and meter will be provided for each consumer, if practical and approved by the Authority.
  - 2. Whenever such service pipe shall, for the purpose of repairs, require the corporation to be closed, it shall be replaced by a separate service pipe with a curb stop and a curb box for each supply line at the expense of the property owner.
  - 3. When two or more consumers are supplied through a single water service, any violation of Authority regulations by either or any said consumers shall be deemed a violation as to all and the Authority may take such action as could be taken against a single consumer, except that such action shall not be taken until the innocent consumer, who is not in violation of Authority regulations, has been given reasonable opportunity to attach his pipes to a separately controlled service connection.

#### 1.04 BILLINGS

- A. All bills will be rendered quarterly and water consumed shall be determined by meter registration or by estimated bills, provided, however that an actual Authority meter reading is required in the quarter following an estimated bill.
- B. All bills are payable at the office of the Authority, or its authorized agent.
- C. All bills are due and payable upon presentation, and if not paid within the stated Net Period or thirty (30) days from the billing date, a penalty of ten percent (10%) will be added.
- D. The penalty amount will be due on all bill payments received after the Net Period of thirty (30) days from the billing date.
- E. All water consumed shall be determined by meter registration unless the meter has been found to be registering inaccurately or has failed to register, In such cases, a bill will be rendered based on previous average consumption for a similar period when the meter was in order, giving proper consideration to any change in facilities or practices that may have occurred, or such other fair and reasonable method as shall be based on the best information available.
- F. All bills must be paid within forty-five (45) days from the billing date, and if such payment is not received, service to the premises will be discontinued. If service is discontinued, it will not be reinstated until all bills have been paid in full, plus an additional service charge for turning off and turning on the service.

- G. The property owner shall be liable for payment of all bills unpaid by his tenants. Bills for rental properties will be sent to the property owner or his authorized agent.
- H. Any consumer, upon receipt of a bill, having reason to doubt its accuracy, may contact the Authority for further investigation.
- I. Failure to receive a bill shall not exempt any consumer from his obligation to pay. The presentation of a bill to the consumer is only a matter of accommodation and not a waiver of this rule.
- J. All meters must be inspected, read, or cared for by the Authority at least once a year. Consumers, including those who have a remote reading device on the meter, must at least once a year, if requested to do so, admit the Authority's serviceman to inspect, read, care for or remove the meter.
- K. All duplexes will be charged as though they are two separate units with the minimum charges in each case for water. In cases where it is not possible to install separate meters, an extra water minimum will be charged.
- L. When there are two or more equivalent dwelling units using a single service with a single meter, the quarterly bill will be calculated by billing a base fee for each equivalent dwelling unit plus the usage of water at the current rate per 1,000 gallons.

#### 1.05 LEAKS AND DEFECTIVE PLUMBING

- A. The Authority shall not be liable for any damage resulting from leaks, broken pipes, or from any other causes, occurring to or within any house or building, and it is expressly agreed that no claims shall be made against the Authority for damage caused by the bursting or breaking of any main or service pipe or of any attachments thereto.
- B. All water passing through a meter shall be charged for at the regular rate, and no allowance will be made for excessive usage or consumption due to leaks or waste.

#### 1.06 SUPPLY OF WATER

- A. The Authority shall not be liable for a deficiency or failure in the supply when occasioned by shutting off water to make repairs or connections or failures from any causes beyond its control.
- B. The Authority reserves the right to restrict the supply of water in case of scarcity or whenever the public welfare may require it.
- C. The Authority shall not be liable for any claim or damage arising from a shortage of water or deficiency in pressure, the breaking of machinery, or facilities, or any cause beyond its control.
- D. No connections shall be made between pipes or containers carrying water supplied by the Authority and pipes or containers carrying water from any other source unless the proposed cross-connection has been approved by the State and County Departments of Health and the Authority.

- E. The Authority shall require the installation of a circulating type water cooling tower for all air conditioning units using water for cooling.
- F. In the case of a water shortage, water service will be discontinued for those air conditioning units that do not have a water cooling tower installed and used in the operation of the unit.
- G. When a condition of water shortage exists, depending upon the severity of the shortage, any one of the conditions of Drought Watch, Drought Warning or Drought Emergency may be declared by the Authority and the related water use restrictions place in effect as outlined herein.

### WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

USE	DROUGHT WATCH	DROUGHT WARNING	DROUGHT EMERGENCY
Watering Lawns	Sprinkler system may not be used. Only hand held hose with automatic shut-off between 7 PM & 7 AM	Only minimum rate necessary to maintain newly planted areas if planted prior to declaration of drought warning	Not permitted.
Watering landscaped areas, trees, & shrubs	Only hand held hose with automatic shut-off or hand held container, bucket, pail, etc.	Same as Watch but only between 7 PM & 7 AM	Only minimum rate necessary to maintain newly planted areas if planted prior to Drought Emergency declaration.
Watering golf courses	Only minimum rate necessary to maintain newly planted areas if planted prior to declaration	Trees & greens only	Not permitted
Washing paved areas	Not recommended	Not permitted	Not permitted
Water for ornamental purposes	Not recommended	Not permitted	Not permitted
Washing cars, trucks, buses, etc. **	Yes, one time per week using pail of soapy water to wash & hose with automatic shut-off or a pail to rinse	Same as Watch	No, unless water is recycled & reused, & limited to one wash per vehicle every 2 weeks
Serving water in restaurant	Allowed	Only if requested by patron	Only if requested by patron
Swimming pools	New pools may be filled. Existing ones may be topped off. Must have filtration system. Pools may not be emptied & refilled.	New pools may be filled if permit issued prior to warning. Must have filtration system. Above ground pools may be filled if purchased prior to warning. Written permission from Authority	May not be filled except public pools serving more than 25 families. Pools operated by health care facilities may be filled & topped off as

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\*\* The washing of motor vehicles shall be permitted in accordance with the above regulations only for vehicles registered to residents in the Authority's service area. Washing of any vehicles shall be subject to complete prohibition if, at the discretion of the Authority, such action is required.

1.07 TERMINATION OF SERVICE

- A. The Authority reserves the right, at all times after due notice, to terminate water service for non-payment of the water bills, or for neglect or refusal to comply with the regulations of the Authority.
- B. If service is terminated, there will be a service charge for the termination and another service charge for the resumption of the service.
- C. Service under an application may be discontinued for any of the following:
  - 1. Misrepresentation in application as to property or fixtures to be supplied or the use to be made of the water supply
  - 2. Use of water for any property or purposes other than described in the application.
  - 3. Waste of water through improper or imperfect pipes, fixtures, or likewise.
  - 4. Failure to maintain in good order the connection service lines, or fixtures beyond the main and owned by the applicant.
  - 5. Molesting any service pipe, meter, curb box, corporation, or seal or any appliance of the Authority.
  - 6. Vacancy of the premises.
  - 7. Violation of any regulations of the Authority.
  - 8. Failure to make payments of any charges against the property.
  - 9. Refusal of access to property for the purpose of inspecting, reading, caring for, or removing meters, including failure to schedule requested appointment for such service.



- D. The Authority shall have the right to cut off the water without notice in case of breakdowns or for other unavoidable causes, or for the purpose of making necessary repairs, connections, etc. Reasonable notice will be given when practicable. In no case shall the Authority be liable for any damage or inconvenience suffered.
- E. The Authority may alter, refuse, or discontinue service to any residential customer who files a petition in bankruptcy, or his trustee, if such person shall fail to deposit within 20 days of the date of the order for relief with the Authority an amount equal to the service charges at said residence for the previous four quarters.

## **SECTION 2 - DOMESTIC SERVICE**

### **2.01 SERVICE LINES**

- A. The service line, from the curb stop to the building, shall be installed and maintained by and at the expense of the consumer. All leaks between the curb stop and the meter must be repaired on discovery by the consumer and/or property owner. The Authority reserves the right to repair any leaks between the curb stop and the meter and to charge the owner for said repairs if he fails to repair same.
- B. The portion of the service line installed by the consumer shall not be less in size and quality than the service line in the street and shall not be laid less than four feet (4') below the surface.
- C. If the service line will supply a sprinkler system then the minimum size shall be 1". The service line shall be 3/4" minimum copper tubing without flare fittings or sweat joints. Compression couplings, approved by the Authority, must be used in place of sweat joints or flare fittings.
- D. The service line shall not be covered until tested and inspected by the Authority and the tap is made. If any defects in workmanship or material are found, the service shall not be turned on until such defects are corrected.
- E. The applicant for service shall pay the Township for the cost of any street opening permit required and shall be responsible for the repaving of such opening or openings as may be made in any street or highway in connection with the service line installation.
- F. All plumbing connections should be able to withstand a pressure of at least 150 pounds per square inch without leaking.
- G. The service line shall be placed so that it will not interfere with driveways or sidewalks and will run at right angles to the water main.
- H. No service line shall be laid in the same trench with a sewer line or gas line or any other line.
- I. Service lines shall be placed in separate trenches spaced at least ten (10) feet apart.
- J. The Authority will be responsible for the maintenance and repair of the corporation, the curb stop, the curb box, and the service line from the water main to the curb stop.

- K. No connections or outlets will be permitted on the service pipe or pipes, supplying any premises, between the water main in the street and the meter. All water used must pass through the meter.
- L. The Authority will conduct on-site inspection to determine the approval location of water service lines and meters before the work orders are issued to tap the water main.
- M. Service lines will not be installed when the service line passes over or through premises which at the time may be the property of persons other than the owner of the premises to be supplied, unless the owner of the premises to be supplied assumes all liability and furnishes a right-of-way agreement in form satisfactory to the Authority.
- N. Service lines will not be installed until the applicant has first obtained the approved location of said line from the Authority and dug his trench as far as the water main.
- O. No service connection will be installed during the period that street openings are prohibited by municipal regulations, nor at any time when in the judgment of the Authority, working conditions are unfavorable for installation either by reasons of weather, temperature, conditions of the soil, or otherwise.
- P. The service line, from the curb stop to the meter, shall be kept in good condition by the consumer and/or property owner at all times. Failure to comply could result in termination of service.
- Q. The Authority reserves the right to inspect the internal and external plumbing on any premises and, if it is not in conformity with the Authority regulations, service will not be turned on until the objectionable or improper work is corrected.
- R. Provisions for the meter must not be made in closets or crawl spaces and must be easily accessible for meter reading. A ball valve on each side of the meter is required with an 11 3/4" spread between the 3/4" outlets. Plastic piping must be at least two feet away from the house side of the meter.
- S. The aforementioned specifications for water main construction are listed for the convenience of the consumer. A more comprehensive listing on the specifications is available at the Authority's office.
- T. All duplexes and townhouses are required to have a separate water service from the building to the main with individual meters for each unit.

## 2.02 OPENING & CLOSING OF VALVES

- A. No person shall open or close any curb stop or valves in any public or private lines unless specifically authorized in writing by the Authority, under penalty prescribed by law.

## 2.03 MAIN EXTENSIONS

- A. Upon written application from a prospective customer for a main extension, the Authority will require the application to enter into a written contract with the Authority and pay the estimated cost of the main extension, at the time of

executing the contract with the Authority. This cost shall include legal fees, administrative expenses, meter costs, connection and/or tapping fees and the engineering fees for inspection of the lines and appurtenances. The excess of the deposit collected over the actual costs shall be returned to the depositor and any deficiency in the deposit below the actual costs shall be made up by the depositor. All extensions will be performed in accordance with the regulations and specifications of the Authority.

1. Alternative: The prospective customer may install the main extension in total and dedicate the installed facilities to the Authority. Upon written application from a prospective customer to install a main extension, the Authority will require the applicant to enter into a written contract with the Authority and pay the estimated cost of the main extension, at the time of executing the contract with the Authority. This cost shall include legal fees, administrative expenses, meter costs, and the engineering fees for plan review and inspection of the lines and appurtenances. The excess of the deposit collected over the actual costs shall be returned to the depositor and any deficiency in the deposit below the actual costs shall be made up by the depositor. All extensions will be performed in accordance with the regulations and specifications of the Authority.

- B. Main extensions shall be reviewed and approved by the Authority Board.
- C. The main extensions, services from the mains to the curbs, meters, and meter connections will be the property of the Authority.
- D. The construction deposits will not bear interest for the depositor.
- E. No refund will be made to the depositor except the excess of the deposit over the cost of administrative, legal, and engineering expense.
- F. The mains shall be extended across the entire property involved and shall terminate at the line of the abutting property. It is the Authority's policy to extend water facilities so that the system is unified and integrated as far as possible. The Authority reserves the right, therefore, to require any applicant to extend such facilities along or across any portion of his property deemed appropriate by the Authority in order for him to benefit from the Authority's service.
- G. No new water main, water service lines, and/or fire lines may be used until officially approved, in writing, for use by the Authority.

#### 2.04 IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

- A. This section shall apply to any system of piping, valves, spray heads, or other head types located on or below the ground surface intended and employed for the watering of lawns, grass, flowers, trees, shrubbery or any other plantings with the potable water from the Authority's water system.
- B. Any customer desiring to install an irrigation system must obtain a permit by filing a written application on the form furnished by the Authority along with submitting

a drawing of the proposed system, which shows all details of the system. Irrigation system users shall pay an application fee of \$1.00 per 100 square feet of surface area that will be sprinklered to cover the costs of review, approval, and inspection of the system.

- C. The irrigation system piping shall be connected to the domestic water service line after the water meter. This connection must be located within the building and shall have a ball valve installed at the said point of connection. Said ball valve shall be furnished by the Authority, with the installation to be done by the customer's plumbing contractor, and same shall be inspected and approved by the Authority.
- D. A backflow preventer, specified by the Authority, shall be installed on the irrigation pipe line right after the ball valve and before any other parts of the irrigation system. This backflow preventer shall be installed in a location that is approved by the Authority and which is easily accessible at all times. Said backflow preventer shall be serviced at least once per year by a qualified technician at the sold expense of the property owner. Evidence of proper service shall be provided to the Authority or the permit may be revoked. If the Authority furnishes and/or installs the backflow preventer, the owner shall pay the Authority the costs of all labor, material, and overhead related thereto.
- E. Irrigation systems that are connected to the Authority's potable water system may not be used for the application of fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, or any other chemical solutions or products, but may be used only for the application of potable water to the area delineated in the application.
- F. All irrigation systems shall be equipped with an automatic timer which shall control the operation of the system. Said timer shall be set so that the system operates only between hours approved by the Authority, normally from 9 PM to 6 AM as a maximum schedule; however, this is subject to change from time to time based on adequacy of supply and other conditions.
- G. Irrigation system permits shall be canceled, use prohibited, and systems turned off by the Authority for any of the following reasons:
  - 1. Improper maintenance of the system
  - 2. Improper operation of the system
  - 3. Operating system when water use restrictions are in effect or outside the hours approved by the Authority
  - 4. Operating system when supply is in adequate
  - 5. Any form of misuse of the system

### **SECTION 3 - METERS**

#### **3.01 OWNERSHIP OF METERS**

- A. The Authority will furnish and set all water meters charging the customer for this cost in advance. The meter shall remain the property of the Authority, and access to same for reading, inspecting, testing, repairs, etc., must be permitted at all reasonable times by the consumer.

- B. The consumer will be responsible for any and all costs of testing, repairing, rebuilding, or replacement of the water meter when it has been determined by the Authority that the meter has exceeded its normal, useful life and needs to be tested, repaired, rebuilt or replace.

### 3.02 LOCATION OF METERS

- A. The Authority will determine the location for all water meters.
- B. If the Authority decides that the meter is to be placed within the building, the consumer will provide, free of charge and expense to the Authority, a readily accessible place in the cellar or basement, near the entrance of the service pipe with a 3/4" straight lever handle, brass ball valve at the inlet side of the meter and a 3/4" straight lever handle, brass ball valve on the house side of the meter.
- C. A meter pit will be required when the distance from the curb stop to the building exceeds 150 feet. The meter must be placed in an approved meter box or vault at the expense of the consumer and must have suitable isolating valves approved by the Authority.
- D. The Authority reserves the right to determine the appropriate location and type of meter to be installed in any water line connected to a commercial facility of any type including the necessity and location of meter pits. This determination shall be made by the Authority in order to provide speedy discovery of water line ruptures and to allow accurate metering of same to protect and ensure the integrity of the water system.

### 3.03 SIZE OF METER

- A. The Authority shall determine the size of meter to be installed, but in no case shall the meter be more than one commercial size below the size of the service line.
- B. A 5/8" by 3/4" meter shall be the smallest meter to be installed on a service line for domestic use.
- C. The minimum size meter for a residential service that includes a sprinkler system shall be 1".

### 3.04 PROTECTION OF METERS

- A. The consumer must, at all times, properly protect the meter from injury by frost or hot water or any other causes, and will be responsible for repairs to the meter.
- B. Any damage due to freezing, hot water, or external causes shall be paid for by the consumer.
- C. In no case, or under no circumstances, shall any consumer or other person interfere with the meter or parts thereof, under penalty prescribed by the law.

### 3.05 TESTING OF METERS

- A. At the written request of an owner or a consumer, the Authority will make an accuracy test of the meter on his supply line, and if desired, in his presence or that of his authorized representative.
- B. A deposit will be required of an owner before the meter is tested, which sum will be returned if the meter is found to be registering more than 3% against the consumer; otherwise, the deposit will be retained by the Authority to cover the cost of the test.
- C. The Authority reserves the right to test and/or change any meter deemed necessary. The consumer shall be responsible for all costs of meter testing, repairing, or replacing.

### 3.06 SEPARATE METERS

- A. The installation of separate meters for the purpose of measuring water for outside use is prohibited.

## **SECTION 4 - FIRE PROTECTION**

### 4.01 PUBLIC SERVICE

- A. Public fire protection service facilities will be installed at the request of the proper municipal body in form satisfactory to the Authority, including an agreement to pay for the desired service at the scheduled rates.
- B. In the event that no water mains are available from which the desired service can be rendered, the necessary extensions will be made under the provisions of Rule 202.00, "Main Extensions".
- C. The obligation of the Authority to deliver water to the Owner is limited by the understanding that while the Authority will undertake to use reasonable care and diligence in order to prevent and avoid interruptions and fluctuations in its supply of water to the Owner, the Authority does not warrant nor guarantee that such interruptions or fluctuations will not occur, or that because of emergencies due to breaks, leaks, defects or necessary repairs to its facilities, or because of strikes, acts of God or other causes beyond its control, there may not be periods during which it may be unable to deliver such quantity of water as the Owner shall request. It is further understood that the Authority does not assume any liability as insurer of property or persons; the Authority does not guarantee any special service, pressure, capacity, volume, quality or facility other than is permitted by the ordinary and changing operating conditions of the same may exist from time to time; and the Authority shall be free and exempt from, and shall not be liable for, any claim or injury to any persons or property resulting from fire, failure to supply sufficient water pressure, capacity, volume or facility or the quality of water

provided. The Authority does not warrant nor guarantee the availability of water quantity, flow rate, or pressure sufficient for fire protection purposes.

#### 4.02 PRIVATE SERVICE

- A. Private fire protection service facilities will be installed at the request of a consumer or prospective consumer in form satisfactory to the Authority, including an agreement to pay in advance the entire cost of installing the necessary facilities, and to pay for the desired service at the scheduled rates.
- B. In the event that no water mains are available from which the desired service can be rendered, the necessary extensions will be made under the provisions of Rule 202.00, "Main Extensions".
- C. Fire protection (sprinkler systems) for commercial, industrial and single ownership multi-family may be provided through normal use service lines (combined use) or a dedicated fire service line. If a combined use service line will be installed, backflow prevention and flow detection specific for fire protection shall be provided on the line providing fire protection. If water metering will take place prior to the splitting of the fire protection and normal use lines, metering capable of accurately measuring low and high flows must be provided. If a dedicated fire protection line is going to be installed, then backflow prevention and flow detection specific to fire service shall be provided.
- D. Service for residential single family and multi-family properties served individually that require sprinkler service shall be served by a single service line (1" minimum). Water meter shall be placed to meter all water used with domestic and sprinkler use splitting after the meter. Sprinkler line shall include flow detection and backflow prevention. In cases where an existing 3/4" tap already exists, the developer/ property owner will have to determine whether the 3/4" tap is sufficient for fire sprinkler system water demands. If the existing 3/4" tap is insufficient, the developer/property owner shall incur the cost to increase tap size. In cases where system pressure is insufficient for fire sprinkler system, the developer/ property owner may install a pump/pressure tank. All fire sprinkler systems will be in accordance with NFPA 13R.

#### 4.03 FIRE HYDRANTS

- A. All persons are forbidden to open any fire hydrant or to use any water there from for sprinkling streets, for building, or any purpose whatsoever without written permission from the Authority, under penalty prescribed by law, except in case of operation by fire department personnel.
- B. Any testing of hydrants or flow tests of the mains shall be made only under the supervision of an authorized agent of the Authority.
- C. The consumer understands that fire protection charges are mainly a compensation for "Standing Ready to Serve", and that for said charge the use of water is not contemplated except for the actual extinguishing of fires or for testing private fire hydrants, systems, and apparatus which shall not be done without first notifying

the Authority. If used otherwise, a connection charge, in accordance with the current rates, will be imposed.

**SECTION 5 - WATER RATES AND CHARGES**

5.01 The Authority's Water Rates and Charges are attached in Exhibit 1.

5.02 Water Rates and Charges may be changed through a Resolution by the Authority.



# EXHIBIT 1

## RATES

### A) Meter Usage Rates

- a. \$5.00 per 1,000 gallons plus a base fee of \$20.00 per quarter.

### B) Meter Charges

- a. New Meter: 5/8" \$185.00
- b. New Meter – 1 " - \$275.00
- c. Over 1 " Actual Cost of Meter
- d. Radio Read Unit - \$140.00

#### Meter Testing:

- c. 5/8" Standard Residential Meter - \$35.00 plus 1 Hour Labor
- d. Over 5/8" Time & Material

### C) Water Taps: 5/8 Inch – Standard Tap 1 Inch – Recommended for fire service

#### Development Installation:

- a. 3/4 " Tap – Tap Fee - \$630.00  
Permit - \$ 50.00  
Meter/Radio Read - \$325.00

**Total - \$1,005.00**

- 1" Tap: - Tap Fee - \$630.00  
Permit - \$ 50.00  
Meter/Radio Read - \$415.00

**Total - \$1,095.00**

**Non-Development Installation:**

a. ¾" Tap – Tap Fee - \$805.00  
Permit - \$ 50.00  
Meter/Radio Read - \$325.00

**Total - \$1,180.00**

1" Tap – Tap Fee – \$ 805.00  
Permit - \$ 50.00  
Meter/Radio Read - \$415.00

**Total - \$1,270.00**

Note: Charges only apply if existing waterline fronts property. Additional Charges will be incurred if a road crossing is required.

**D) Water Taps Multi-Unit Building:**

a. Development – Tap Fee - \$630.00 x Number of Units  
Permit - \$ 50.00  
Meter - Actual Cost  
Connection – Actual Cost

b. Non Development – Tap Fee - \$805.00 x Number of Units  
Permit - \$ 50.00  
Meter - Actual Cost  
Connection – Actual Cost

**E) Water Taps Commercial/Industrial Building:**

a. Development – Tap Fee - \$630.00 x Number of ERE's (1 ERE equals  
20,250 gallons/quarter)  
Permit - \$ 50.00  
Meter - Actual Cost  
Connection – Actual Cost

b. Non Development – Tap Fee - \$805.00 x Number of ERE's (1 ERE equals  
10,250 gallons/quarter)  
Permit - \$ 50.00  
Meter - Actual Cost  
Connection - Actual Cost

**F) Fire Service Connection:**

Commercial/Industrial – Annual Maintenance Fee  
\$30 per inch of service line size

**G) Returned Checks:**

\$25.00 per payment that is returned from the bank for non-sufficient funds.

**H) Termination/Reconnection Requests:**

\$25.00 – Terminate service requested by the customer.  
\$25.00 – Reconnect service requested by the customer.