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ORDINANCE NO. 15-31

PROVIDING FOR A WATER RATE ADJUSTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary to increase certain rates and charges for water service rendered to the Village of Archbold and to its inhabitants and other users so as to produce sufficient revenue to pay the operating and maintenance expenses of its water works system; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Archbold, Fulton County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1. That beginning with the July 2015 billing, the following monthly rates for supplying of water services by said waterworks system shall be computed on the following rate schedule:

Readiness-to-service and Billing Charge - $7.35 per month

Water Usage:

1st 1,000,000 gallons - $2.81 per 1,000 gallons
Next 10,000,000 gallons - $2.48 per 1,000 gallons
Over 11,000,000 gallons - $2.31 per 1,000 gallons

The minimum monthly charge shall be $10.16.

a. The Village Council also directs the Administrative and Utility Staff to meet with the Village's largest water and wastewater user at a minimum of one time after the first of each calendar year.

Section 2. That the monthly rates charged water users outside the Village limits shall be the same as those charged to the same class of users within the Village, plus an additional fifty percent (50%).

Section 3. That in the event any water rent charged against any tenant or premises is not paid on or before the tenth day of the calendar month of billing, a penalty of ten per cent (10%) of the original charge shall be added to and collected as a part of such bill.

Section 4. The Village shall reserve the right, but has no obligation, to negotiate a contract specifying different rates than those contained in this ordinance with any industrial or commercial customer who uses more than an average of 1,000,000 gallons per month.

Section 5. Each water charge levied pursuant to this ordinance is hereby made a lien upon the premises charged therewith, and if the same is not paid within thirty days after it shall be due and payable, it may be certified to the Auditor of Fulton County, who shall place the same on the tax duplicate, with interest and penalties allowed by law, and be collected as other municipal taxes are collected.

Section 6. Ordinance No. 14-18 passed April 7, 2014, and any other conflicting ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof, are repealed.

Section 7. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 8. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the Village of Archbold. This Ordinance will take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed: May 4, 2015

Jeffrey D. Fryman, Council President

James S. Wyse, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie J. Storrer, Clerk of Council