

VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, OHIO

BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS ORDINANCE 1050

AN ORDINANCE REVISING WATER USAGE RATES AND RULES

WHEREAS, the current rates are insufficient to maintain the water delivery system in the Village; and

WHEREAS, the current rates do not cover the cost of operating the water system.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by this Board, with a majority of board members in agreement that effective January 1, 2010, the following:

SECTION ONE: That there is levied and assessed upon each lot, parcel of land or premises having any active connection with the water system of the Village a bi-monthly minimum charge determinable and payable as provided in this Ordinance. The property owners of record shall be responsible for payment of water and water line and tower capital improvement bills.

SECTION TWO: That the bi-monthly charge imposed for water furnished by the Village of Pleasant Hill, Ohio within the incorporated areas shall be fixed as follows:

| <u>Gallons</u> | <u>Rates</u> |
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| First 2,000 Gallons | \$18.00 minimum total |
| Over 2,000 Gallons | \$2.30 per 1,000 Gallons |
| Water Line, Tower, and Capital Improvement | \$15.00 per billing |

Multi unit dwellings without individual water meters will pay the base rate for each unit plus the standard bill for total gallons used. Units with meters will pay the same as single unit dwellings.

SECTION THREE: That the bi-monthly rates for water furnished by the Village of Pleasant Hill, Ohio to all unincorporated areas shall be one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the rate as set forth in Section 2.

SECTION FOUR: That the rate to be imposed for the bulk water furnished by the Village of Pleasant Hill, Ohio is fixed at \$2.30 per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof.

SECTION FIVE: That the charges established by this Ordinance shall be billed to the property owner of record and shall be payable bi-monthly, by the due date specified on the statement forwarded to the user of the water system. There shall be a penalty of twenty percent (20%) of the bi-monthly charge for water, sewer, refuse, if any amount thereof is not paid by the due date indicated. This penalty is in addition to any other applicable rights the Village may assert in collecting amounts owed for the water service, including, but not limited to termination of water supply, assessment, or liens. Ten (10) days after due date, water can be shut off at the curb or meter for delinquent accounts. A twenty dollars (\$20.00) fee will be charged to reinstate service. A charge of thirty dollars (\$30.00) will be assessed for returned checks. Upon receipt of two (2) dishonored checks the Village of Pleasant Hill Board of Public Affairs may refuse to accept personal checks as payment. Payment must then be made in cash, money order, or any other certified funding.

SECTION SIX: That this Ordinance shall be construed to be consistent with all other procedures, rights, regulations, standards, and guidelines set out in the Water and Sewer Rules and Regulations as adopted and amended by the Board of Public Affairs.

SECTION SEVEN: Previous ordinances setting rates for water usage are hereby declared void and of no effect after the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION EIGHT: If any portion of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional, void, illegal, or contrary to law, that affected portion shall be severed from said Ordinance; and if possible, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall be construed to best carry out the intentions expressed in this Ordinance.

PASSED this 16th day of November, 2009.

President of BPA

Fiscal Officer

Approved as to form:

Paul Wagner, Solicitor

Mayor