

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-05**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING WATER RATES FOR CUSTOMERS OF THE VILLAGE OF FREDERICKTOWN, OHIO**

WHEREAS, the Village of Fredericktown is responsible for the treatment and distribution of water from the Fredericktown water system and the collection of sufficient revenues for the proper maintenance of water systems; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Fredericktown currently needs an additional reserve in funds for the future operation and maintenance of the water system and projected revenues are insufficient to meet both anticipated future debt service demands of the water treatment plant and future operational expenses, it is the desire of the Council of the Village of Fredericktown to adjust current water rates accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Fredericktown, Knox County, Ohio, that the prices to be charged for water are as follows:

Section 1. That beginning March 18, 2021 the rate to be paid by customers of the Village of Fredericktown shall be as follows:

A. Billing Cycle. Water usage will be billed monthly.

B. Water Service Availability Charge (WSAC). This service charge shall apply to all customers having access to the Village water utility. This service charge shall include no water. The W.S.A.C. for all meter sizes shall change when there is an increase in the block rate schedule and shall reflect the same amount of percent increase. Each meter size is assigned a capacity factor based on the American Water Works Association's maximum flow criteria. This factor is then multiplied by the base W.S.A.C. charge as listed in Section 1.I.1. The meter size and the capacity factors are shown in the following table.

METER SIZE	CAPACITY FACTOR
5/8" & 3/4"	1.00
1"	2.50
1 1/2"	5.00
2"	8.00
3"	16.75
4"	27.50
6"	56.25
8"	85.00
10"	130.00

C. Minimum Charge Per Billing Period or Part Thereof. The minimum charge per single unit for any billing period or part thereof shall in no event be less than the water service availability charge (WSAC) per billing cycle.

D. Water Available. When the Village's water supply has been available for ninety days to improved lots, whether connected or not, the minimum charge shall apply and be due and payable each and every billing cycle.

E. Multi-units. The minimum charge for multi-units shall be based on the water service availability charge for a 5/8" - 3/4" meter, times the number of units.

F. Multi-unit Change. A unit change may be granted upon a written request to the Village Administrator, stating the changes that have been made to the multi-units served by the Utility. After an inspection by a representative of the Water and Wastewater Department the Village Administrator will make the decision upon the request for a unit change.

G. Terms of Payment. The rates set forth are net and apply only in the event all accounts for water and wastewater service are paid on or before the date specified on the bill. If not paid, the gross rate shall apply, which is the net rate plus ten percent (10%).

H. Responsibility of Payment of Bills. The property owner of record of the real estate to which water service is furnished shall be responsible for the payment of all water and wastewater bills for such service regardless of when such bills were incurred, irrespective of who incurred such unpaid bills or who occupied the property at the time the bills were incurred. All unpaid water bills shall be assessed as a tax lien against the property involved, collectible according to law.

I. Rates for Water Fees.

WATER RATES FOR USAGE INSIDE VILLAGE LIMITS

	Base Rate	Per 500 gallons
2021	\$5.38	\$3.46
2022	\$5.49	\$3.23
2023	\$5.60	\$3.60
2024	\$5.71	\$3.67
2025	\$5.82	\$3.75
2026	\$5.94	\$3.82
2027	\$6.06	\$3.90
2028	\$6.18	\$3.97
2029	\$6.30	\$4.05
2030	\$6.43	\$4.14

WATER RATES FOR USAGE OUTSIDE VILLAGE LIMITS

2020	\$8.60	\$5.53
2022	\$8.77	\$5.64
2023	\$8.95	\$5.75
2024	\$9.13	\$5.87
2025	\$9.31	\$5.99
2026	\$9.50	\$6.11
2027	\$9.68	\$6.23
2028	\$9.88	\$6.35
2029	\$10.08	\$6.48
2030	\$10.28	\$6.61

NOTE: The Base Water Service Availability Fee will be applied using the 5/8" x 3/4" inch meter size as the basis. These charges are based upon the fixed costs of Debt Repayment, Administration, Future Capital Improvements and Future Preventive Maintenance to the Plant and System and the costs

associated with Billing Water fees and the collection of said fees. These service charges are in addition to the consumption charge.

J. Usage outside of corporation limits. Consumers outside of the Village's Corporations shall be charged a surcharge of 60%. This figure will be based upon the Base Water Service Availability Fee and the Consumption Charge.

K. Direct Bulk Water Sales. Direct metered sales from Utility water main will be made to tanker trucks; the location, time and hour to be specified by Village staff. The fee for bulk water sales shall include a daily set up fee of \$25.00 plus the consumption charge.

L. Fire Protection. For all premises that are required to have a fire system that system will be supplied with water through a dedicated separate fire line from the Village main line to the premises. The consumer shall install at his expense subject to the Village's inspection and approval, all of the required piping system and backflow equipment.

1. All separate fire service lines shall be required to install all backflow equipment in a matter as approved Village's Backflow Coordinator. Fire line backflow equipment (D.C.D.A.) shall be equipped with a by-pass meter that is plumbed to detect any loss or usage of water from the fire system.

2. There will be no charge for water that has been used for firefighting purposes. However there shall be a capacity fee based upon the table below:

<u>Fire Line Feed Size</u>	<u>Capacity Fee</u>
3 or fewer sprinkler heads	\$0.00
2" or less & 4 or more Sprinkler heads	\$25.00
4 "	\$50.00
6"	\$75.00
8"	\$100.00
10"	\$150.00

3. Combination fire and domestic water systems are prohibited by the Village of Fredericktown with the following exception: If the size of the combined lines is to be 2" (inches) in diameter or less and serves three (3) or fewer fire suppression outlets.

4. A fire protection system shall be defined as a separate piping system to which are connected one or more of the following fire protection devices or equipment; including but not limited to fire hose, hydrants, sprinklers, fire or booster pumps, elevated storage tanks or other equipment or devices usually considered as fire protective equipment.

Section 2. That the Fiscal Officer of the Village of Fredericktown be, and he/she herewith is authorized and directed to render monthly billings, in accordance with and pursuant to the terms, provisions and conditions of this Ordinance.

Section 3. That any and all resolutions, rules and regulations heretofore adopted by the Village of Fredericktown, or parts thereof in conflict with the terms, provisions and conditions of this Ordinance, be, and in the same are herewith repealed.

Section 4. That this Resolution will become effective at the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED: 3-15-2021

Jerry L. Day  
Jerry L. Day, Mayor

ATTEST: Suzan Graves  
Suzan Graves, Fiscal Officer