

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-19

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING UTILITY TAP FEES AND SEWER AND WATER TAPPING PROTOCOL IN REGARDS TO THIRD PARTIES TAPPING INTO VILLAGE PUBLIC SEWER AND WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, it is necessary for Village Council to maintain fiscally responsible fees for additional customers to connect to existing Village sewer and water infrastructure on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, the owner/contractor may prefer to perform the tap or the Village may not necessarily have the resources required to effectively perform each tap and thus, the owner may be required to have the said tap performed by a contractor, under the Village’s oversight; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Fredericktown, Knox County, Ohio, that beginning on the first billing cycle after December 1, 2023, the protocols and tap fees to be paid by a property owner prior to tapping into Village sewer and/or water infrastructure shall be as follows:

Section 1. CONNECTION TO PUBLIC WATER/SEWER REQUIRED

- Any occupied building constructed within the Village, abutting to any street, alley, or right-of-way in which there is public sewer and/or water infrastructure available, is hereby required to properly arrange with the Village to tap into the Village’s public sewer and/or water infrastructure, at the owner’s expense.
- No unauthorized person shall expose, make any connection to, alter, or otherwise disturb any public sewer or water infrastructure without prior written Village authorization.
- It shall be unlawful to allow any connection between the public water system and another supply of water without prior authorization from the Village and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. Such cross-connection shall be installed and inspected as required by the Village and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

Section 2. WATER TAP PERFORMED BY OWNER/CONTRACTOR

- \$1,100 fee for connection and meter on a ¾” service
- \$1,500 fee for connection and meter on a 1” service
- \$1,900 fee for connection and meter on a service larger than 1”

Section 3. WATER TAP PERFORMED BY VILLAGE STAFF

- \$3,200 fee for tap and meter on a ¾” service, plus any additional costs incurred by Village
- \$3,600 fee for a tap and meter on a 1” service, plus any additional costs incurred by Village
- \$4,700 fee for tap and meter on a service larger than 1”, plus any additional costs incurred by Village

Section 4. SEWER TAP PERFORMED BY OWNER/CONTRACTOR

- \$700 tap fee, plus cost of additional materials, if owner/contractor performs tap with Village inspection

Section 5. SEWER TAP PERFORMED BY VILLAGE STAFF

- \$2,600 tap fee, plus any costs for additional materials
- \$3,100 tap fee plus any costs incurred by Village for taps larger than 4”

Section 6. Taps performed by owner/contractor require Village inspection upon completion.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall nullify Ordinances 2004-11 and 2011-13, and any other Ordinances pertaining to Village water and sewer tap fees.

Section 8. That this Ordinance shall take effect beginning on billing cycle of December 2023.

PASSED: _____

Rick Lanuzza, President Pro-Tempore

ATTEST: _____
Suzan Graves, Fiscal Officer