

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-238

AMENDING SECTION 10 ARTICLE A, APPENDIX A; ARTICLE B, SECTIONS 10.11, 10.12, 10:13(C)and(D); SECTION 10.14(A); SECTION 10.17 APPENDIX A(6); ARTICLE C, SECTIONS 10.22, 10.23, 10.25, APPENDIX A(5); ARTICLE D, SECTION 10.30(12),SECTION 10.33, 10.34, AND 10.35, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO UTILITIES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Livonia Town Council in regular session convened that the above referenced of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Livonia is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

CHAPTER 10

UTILITIES

ARTICLE A. GENERAL

APPENDIX A.

LIVONIA UTILITY SYSTEM IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM

Contact Information:

The Senior Management Person responsible for this program is:

Current Mayor 225-637-2981

The **Current** Governing Body Members of the Utility: **225-637-2981**

Article B. Gas Utility

Section 10.11 Monthly rates

On a monthly basis, charges and rates charged to customers shall be based upon gas costs, consumption, and other operating costs of the system and set by the council. Council shall make gas rate changes from time to time by resolution. The current monthly rate for gas shall be a minimum of six (\$6.00) dollars per customer plus three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) per MCF above the town's purchase price.

Section 10.12 Meter deposits (gas)

A meter deposit of two hundred (\$200) dollars for all customers, with the exception of restaurants, which is four hundred (\$400) dollars, as set by the council, shall be paid prior to service installation or connection to insure payment of all bills. Council shall make meter deposit rate changes from time to time by resolution. When service to the applicant is discontinued permanently, this deposit, less any amount still due for gas service, shall be refunded without interest.

Section 10.13 Payment of bills

C. The failure of any individual, partnership, or corporation to pay his gas bill by the last business day of the month shall cause such account to become delinquent and service will be discontinued until the delinquent bill, together with the delayed payment charges are paid in full, along with a twenty (\$20) dollar delinquent charge. D. Any customer not previously required to pay a meter deposit fee, shall be required to pay a meter deposit after being disconnected two (2) times for being delinquent. The meter deposit, delinquent bill, and the delinquent fee shall be paid in full before services are reconnected.

Section 10.14 New customer connection charges

A. All new customers desirous of being served with natural gas by the town shall pay a one of the following charges per connection tap:

¾ inch meter with tap - five hundred (\$500) dollars

1 1/2 inch meter with tap - six hundred fifty (\$650) dollars

2 inch meter with tap - seven hundred twenty-five (\$725) dollars

If a road bore is required an additional one hundred fifty (\$150) fee shall be paid.

Council shall make tap and/or road bore fee changes from time to time by resolution.

APPENDIX A. Gas system polices and safety regulations

6. If a customer desires trenching for a service line, the customer will pay the town for trenching services at \$1.00 per ft., with a minimum charge of \$50.00. Council shall make trenching fee changes from time to time by resolution.

Article C. Water Utility

Section 10.22 Water rates

The water rates to all water customers or users of the town's water system shall be as set by the council as follows, and council shall make water rate changes from time to time by resolution:

Section 10.23 Meter deposits (water)

A meter deposit of one hundred (\$100) dollars for all customers with the exception of restaurants which is one hundred fifty (\$150) dollars, as set by the council, shall be paid prior to service installation or connection to insure payment of all bills. Council shall make deposit fee changes from time to time by resolution. When service to the applicant is discontinued permanently, this deposit, less any amount still due for water service, shall be refunded without interest.

Section 10.25 Connection of new customers to distribution line

A. All new customers desirous of being served with water by the town, shall pay a charge of four hundred (\$400) dollars per ¾ inch water connection, or six hundred (\$600) per 1 inch water connection.

If a road bore is required an additional one hundred fifty (\$150) fee shall be paid.

Council shall make tap and/or road bore fee changes from time to time by resolution.

APPENDIX A. Water system policies

5. If a customer desires trenching for a service line, the customer will pay the town for trenching services at \$1.00 per ft., with a minimum charge of \$50.00.

Article D: Sewer

12. Permit fee shall be \$10.00. Council shall make permit fee changes from time to time by resolution.

Section 10.33 Sewer User Fees

The sewer usage rates to all sewer customers or users of the town's sewer system shall be based upon the water usage by customer and set by the council as follows:

(1) Residential Rate – thirty-five (\$35.00) dollars minimum for first three thousand (3,000) gallons of water used and two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per 1,000 gallons after minimum with a maximum rate of fifty (\$50.00) dollars per month.

(2) Commercial and Industrial Rate - thirty-five (\$35.00) dollars minimum for first three thousand (3,000) gallons of water used and two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per 1,000 gallons after minimum.

Council shall make sewer usage rate changes from time to time by resolution.

Section 10.34 Sewer Tap Rate

All new sewer connections will be charged a minimum sewer tap fee of two-hundred and fifty-dollars (\$250.00) or fifty (50%) percent of the actual cost for connection. Council shall make tap fee changes from time to time by resolution.

Section 10.35 Sewer Deposit

All new utility customers will be required to pay a sewer deposit prior to being connected. The sewer deposit rates shall be as follows:

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| Residential | \$50 |
| Small Commercial (less than 25,000 gallons of water usage) | \$75 |
| Large Commercial (25,000 gallons of water usage or more) | \$150 |

Council shall make deposit fee changes from time to time by resolution.

Said Ordinance having been introduced on September 11, 2017, by G. Jarreau, notice of public hearing have been published, said public hearing having been held, the title having been read and the Ordinance considered, a motion was made by Ron LeBlanc and seconded by Greg Jarreau, to adopt the Ordinance. A record vote was taken and the following results were had:

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| YEAS: | G. Jarreau, T. Jarreau, LeBlanc, Pourciau |
| NAYS: | None |
| ABSENT: | Bergeron |
| ABSTAIN: | Bergeron |

Whereupon, the Ordinance was declared adopted on this 9th day of October, 2017.

ATTEST and delivered to the Mayor
October 10, 2017
Donna Bergeron, MMC
Town Clerk, Livonia, Louisiana

APPROVED and delivered to the Clerk
October 10, 2017
Rhett Pourciau, MAYOR
Town of Livonia, Louisiana

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