ORDINANCE NO. _____
AN ORDINACE AMENDING THE CORTLAND TOWN CODE
TITLE 1, SECTION 1-8
TITLE 7, ARTICLE 7-3B
AND TITLE 10, SECTION 10-4
ALL RELATING TO WATER

WHEREAS, the Town of Cortland desires to maintain water revenues at a rate which will adequately cover water-related expenses;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CORTLAND, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 – AMENDING METER FEE. Subsection B of Section 1-8-1 is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following (amendment in italics):

1-8-1: SEWER AND WATER PERMITS:

B. Water Permits:

1. An amount equal to the sewer connection fee shown in subsection A of this section.

2. ~~Two hundred fifty ($250.00)~~ *Three hundred dollar ($300.00)* meter fee for standard residential meter ~~including installation~~; larger sizes will result in the addition of the difference in cost of materials ~~and installation~~.

Section 2 – AMENDING WATER RATES. Subsection B of Section 1-8-2 is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following (amendments in italics):

1-8-2: SEWER AND WATER RATES AND CHARGES:

B. Water Charges:

1. Water Rate: Water service shall be billed on a quarterly basis at the same time as sewer service is billed. Water service shall be billed at the rate of ~~seven dollars ($7.00)~~ *seven dollars and fifty cents ($7.50)* per unit per month plus ~~two dollars fifty cents ($2.50)~~ *three dollars ($3.00)* per one thousand (1,000) gallons used *for water sold on or after May 1, 2015. The rates for water sold on or after May 1, 2016, shall be eight dollars ($8.00) per unit per month plus three dollars and fifty cents ($3.50) per one thousand (1,000) gallons used. The rates for water sold on or after May 1, 2017, shall be eight dollars and fifty cents ($8.50) per unit per month plus four dollars ($4.00) per one thousand (1,000) gallons used.*

a. A unit shall be a single-family home or each separately metered section of any multiple-family residential or any nonresidential building.

b. In multiple-family residences on a single meter, each separate living quarters shall also be a unit.

c. In nonresidential buildings on a single meter, the standard rate shall apply.

d. On new construction, the usage fee will commence and start on the first day the new construction is actually able to use the Cortland public water system.

2. Water Rates – Customers Outside of the Town Corporate Limits: Water service rate and Water base rate shall be double the current rate and billed as provided in Section 1-8-2 B.

3~~2~~. Late Charge: A late penalty of one and one-half percent (1.5%) (18 percent annual rate) shall be added to accounts not paid by the last business day of the month in which the bill was rendered. (Ord. 2004-38, 11-8-2004)

Section 3 – AMENDING ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE 3B. Section 7-3B-2 is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following (amendments in italics):

7-3B-2: ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS:

The regulations of this article govern every user of town water and shall be part of the contract between the town and every such user. In making application for water service, every user shall agree in writing to be bound thereby. It is the duty of the Director of ~~Public Works~~ *Water* herein referred to as "director", to enforce these regulations. (Ord. 1980-10, 1-12-1981, eff. 2-1-1981; amd. 1998 Code; Ord. 2011-19, 7-25-2011)

Section 4 – AMENDING WATER SERVICE TERMINATION/REINSTATEMENT FEE. Subsection 3 of Section 7-3B-5 is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

7-3B-5-3: DELINQUENCY IN PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

B. Reinstatement Of Service: Upon the payment, *in cash*, to the town treasurer of the full delinquency, plus ~~the costs of~~ *a fifty dollar ($50.00)* termination *fee*, and a ~~twenty five dollar ($25.00)~~ *fifty dollar ($50.00)* reinstatement fee *during normal business hours of the Water Department (7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on weekdays, not including holidays),* ~~and a further deposit of an amount equal to the estimated user charge for one quarter,~~ the town will reinstate the service or issue a permit for the service to be reinstated. *Fees paid outside the Water Department normal business hours on normal business days with an expectation of reinstatement of service during hours that the department is closed will result in double the amounts for both the termination fee and reinstatement fee and must be paid in cash. Exceptions will be made for emergencies such as water service leaks.* (Ord. 1980-10, 1-12-1981, eff. 2-1-1981)

Section 5 – AMENDING WATER SERVICE MATERIALS. Subsection I2 of Section 10-4-4 Water Main Construction is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following (amendment in italics):

I. Service Connections:

2. Service materials shall consist of one inch (1") or larger type K soft temper copper pipe conforming to ASTM specification number B-88 and U.S. government specification number WW-T-799; copper tubing shall be furnished in lengths necessary to eliminate any connection joints in the street right of way. *SDR9 Blue Poly Pipe shall be an approved service line material where approved by the Director of the Water Department.*

Section 6 – CONFLICTING LANGUAGE. If this Ordinance is in conflict with any other Ordinance or parts of Ordinances currently in effect, the conflicting provisions of the other Ordinances are hereby repealed as they relate to this Ordinance.

Section 7 – EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as is provided by law.

PASSED and this APPROVED this ___ day of _____, 2015.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

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Russell C. Stokes, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cheryl Aldis, Town Clerk