

# ORDINANCE NO. 07192016A

## ORDINANCE AMENDING WATER RATES.

**WHEREAS**, on or about June 17, 2015, the Village of Jacksonville adopted Ordinance No. 06172015C, which requires some minor amendments, including the addition of new tap fees, and procedures for collection;

**WHEREAS**, on or about October 13, 2015, the Village of Jacksonville adopted Ordinance No. 10132015A, which required more amendments;

**WHEREAS**, on or about February 12, 2016, the Village of Jacksonville adopted Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_, which required more amendments;

**WHEREAS**, the rates for water for customers need to be raised by \$3.00 in order to maintain functionality of the Village's water system;

## **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE JACKSONVILLE, ATHENS COUNTY, OHIO AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Water rates for all Jacksonville water customers, whose property is located inside the Village corporation limits, effective ~~July 5, 2016~~ shall be as follows:

- August —, 2016
- Zero to 2,000 gallons per month = \$31.00/mo. minimum
  - Each 1,000 gallons of water per month above the minimum or part thereof (1-1,000), at \$10.70 per month;

1. Jacksonville water customers whose service is located outside the corporation limits, such rates shall be as follows:

- Zero to 2,000 gallons per month = \$36.00/mo. minimum
- Each 1,000 gallons of water per month above the minimum or part thereof (1-1,000), at \$11.25 per month;

1. The late payment penalty is maintained at \$5.00/mo.;

2. Once water bills are more than one (1) month delinquent, Water Shut Off Procedures shall be initiated as follows;

a. Customers may avoid Water Shut Off by becoming current on the water bill by making payment by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month following delinquency; and

b. If the Customer fails to become current by the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the following month, the Customer will be notified of the Water Shut Off Procedure commencement.

3. The Shut-Off fee is hereby increased to \$25.00, and the Turn-on fee is hereby increased to \$50.00;

6. The procedure for Collection and Shut-Off shall be as follows:

a. On the 16th of each month, the Water Department shall post payments to accounts, issue any applicable penalties, print a delinquent report, and hang Shut-Off notices on the entrance of the property of any delinquent accounts.

b. On the 20th of each month, the Water Department shall shut off any delinquent bills over \$5.00. Shut-offs will not occur on weekends or holidays, so if the 20th falls on a weekend or holiday, the Shut-off shall occur on the next business day.

c. Partial payment will not stop or delay any Shut-off.

d. If a customer has his or her water turned back on over the weekend or a holiday, an additional \$25.00 will be added to any other fines or fees.

7. The fee for a new water tap shall be one-thousand, five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00).

8. The procedure for water rate adjustment shall be as follows:

a. No water rate adjustments will be given to customers without full approval of Council.

b. Hardship adjustments shall be made at Council's discretion and voted on by full Council.

9. Water Turn-on/Shut-off: No person, other than the Mayor, Village Worker, Village Officials, or a licensed plumber with permission of the Village Council, shall be permitted to get into the meter pit to either turn on or shut off the water to a residence. Any person in violation of this Division of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor, and may be fined up to \$150 for each violation of this Division.

10. Returned Checks: Any customer who submits a check for payment of a water bill, fine, or other fee, whose check is returned for insufficient funds or any other reason, shall be subject to a fee of \$30.00. In addition, that customer's water may be shut off immediately.

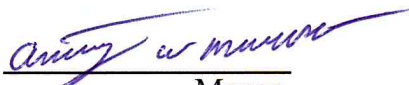
11. It is found and determined that all formal actions of Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were conducted in open meetings of Council, and that all deliberations of Council that resulted in formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Sec. 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code;

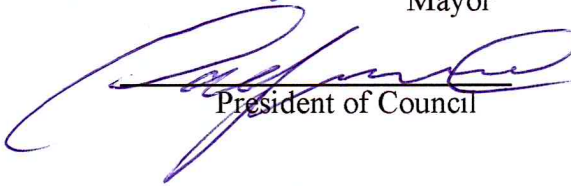
12. Publication of this Ordinance shall be made by posting a copy of the same in at least 5 locations within the Village; and

14. This Ordinance shall become effective the earliest date allowed by law.

Duly enacted this 19 day of July, 2016.

**VILLAGE OF JACKSONVILLE:**

By:   
Mayor

  
President of Council

**ATTEST/SEAL:**

  
Clerk - Treasurer/Fiscal Officer

**CERTIFICATION OF CLERK/FISCAL OFFICER**

The foregoing is a true copy of the original Ordinance # 07192016A

Publication of this Ordinance was made by posting a copy of the same in the following five (5) locations within the Village, beginning on 08/18/2016, 2016, and concluding on 09/04/16, 2016 (at least 15 days later):

- Post Office
- Eagles Club
- VFW
- Town Hall
- Jerry's Bar

ATTEST:

DATE: 8/17/16

Amber Mayle  
Village Fiscal Officer/Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Amber Mayle, Clerk for the Village of Jacksonville, Athens County, Ohio, certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Jacksonville, and appears in the Village records as Ordinance No. 07192016A.

ATTEST:

8/17/16

DATE

Amber Mayle  
Village Fiscal Officer