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VILLAGE COUNCIL OF GREENWICH, OHIO ORDINANCE NO.: 2024-O-25

#### SEWERAGE RATES ORC 729.49

AN ORDINANCE DEEMING IT ADVISABLE TO CHANGE SEWERAGE RATES AND CHARGES; AND AMENDING SECTION 1044.02 AND 1044.07(c) OF THE GREENWICH CODIFIED MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, the Village has installed a system of sewerage, sewerage pumping works, or sewerage treatment or disposal works for public use; and

WHEREAS, Section 729.49 of the Ohio Revised Code provides for sewerage rates or charges for rent and permits council to change rates when deemed advisable and reads in part as follows:

### Section 729.49 | Sewerage rates or charges of rent.

The legislative authority of a municipal corporation which has installed or is installing sewerage, a system of sewerage, sewage pumping works, or sewage treatment or disposal works for public use, may, by ordinance, establish just and equitable rates or charges of rents to be paid to the municipal corporation for the use of such services, by every person, firm, or corporation whose premises are served by a connection thereof. Such charges shall constitute a lien upon the property served by such connection and if not paid when due shall be collected in the same manner as other municipal corporation taxes. The legislative authority may change such rates or charges from time to time as is deemed advisable...

WHEREAS, the Village has previously established just and equitable rates or charges for sewerage services and codified them in Chapter 1044 Greenwich Codified Municipal Code of Ordinances.

WHEREAS, the Utility Committee of Council has reviewed the current sewer rates and charges and deems it advisable to amend the sewer charge and the sewer surcharge and recommends the changes contained herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT <u>ORDAINED</u> BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENWICH, STATE OF OHIO: (RC 731.18)

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That pursuant to ORC 729.49, Village Council hereby deems it advisable to change the sewerage rates and charges.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That Section 1044.02 of the Codified Municipal Code shall hereby be amended as follows:

1044.02 CHARGES; BILLING; SURCHARGE, PENALTY CHARGE AND DELINQUENT CHARGES.

- (a) The following sewer service charges are hereby established:
- (1) The minimum sewer charge shall be billed at <u>twelve twenty-nine</u> dollars and <u>sixty-four twenty-two</u> cents (\$<u>12.64-29.22</u>) for the first 2,000 gallons of water used.
  - (2) Sewer service charges for water use in excess of 2,000 gallons shall be billed at

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six dollars and ten cents (\$\frac{6.10}{6.10} \cdot 6.90\) per 1,000 gallons thereafter.
(Res. 8-82. Passed 8-17-82; Ord. 2010-05. Passed 7-20-10; Ord. 2-12-08. Passed 11-6-12; Ord. 2013-05. Passed 4-16-13; Ord. 2019-12. Passed 12-17-19; Ord. 2020-12. Passed 12-1-20; Ord. 2022-02. Passed 3-1-22; Ord. 2022-17. Passed 1-3-23; Ord. 2023-17. Passed 1-2-24.)

(b) The sewer service charge is due and payable on the first business day of each month indicated on the bill. The last day for payment of all sewer charges is the twentieth of the month. A delinquent charge of 10% will be added to any bill not paid on or before the twentieth day of the month billed. If the twenty-second day of the month falls on a Saturday, Sunday or any holiday observed by the Village or the day before any such holiday, the first business day thereafter shall be considered as the last day to pay before discontinuance of water service.

(Ord. 900. Passed 8-18-98; Ord. 919. Passed 1-4-00; Ord. 2016-06. Passed 9-6-16.)

- (c) (EDITOR'S NOTE: This division was repealed by Ordinance 900, passed August 18, 1998.)
- (d) The minimum sewer charge for multiple units receiving water through one meter will be is ten twenty-nine dollars and forty twenty-two cents (\$\frac{10.40}{29.22}\$) for the first 2,000 gallons of water per unit.

  (Res. 90-8. Passed 11-10-90; Ord. 2013-05. Passed 4-16-13; Ord. 2019-12. Passed 12-17-19; Ord. 2020-12. Passed 12-1-20.)
- (e) Home owners within the Village corporation limits that operate a stand alone sewage system (septic tank leach bed or mound system approved by the Huron County Health Board) that is not connected to the Village sewer lines will not pay the sewer charge and surcharge. A home owner that is connected or uses the Village surface water drainage system will be assessed the sewer charge and surcharge.
- (f) All outside users of the sewer lagoon system will pay a rate twice that of inside users. (Res. 95-8. Passed 8-21-95; Ord. 1024. Passed 11-20-07; Ord. 2012-08. Passed 11-6-12.)

<u>SECTION 3</u>. That Section 1044.07(c) of the Codified Municipal Code shall hereby be amended as follows:

1044.07 SEWER IMPROVEMENT FUND; SURCHARGE FOR LAGOON WATER TREATMENT SYSTEM.

- (a) There is hereby established in and for the Village a special fund, to be known as the Sewer Improvement Fund, pursuant to Ohio R.C. 5705.09.

  (Ord. 873. Passed 3-5-96.)
- (b) All monies collected by the Village for the purpose of making improvements to the sewerage treatment system of the Village, in order to comply with EPA requirements, shall be credited to the Sewer Improvement Fund and used for sewer repair, replacement and maintenance.

(Ord. 896, Passed 6-16-98,)

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(c) Effective with the June 1, 2011 billing, a A surcharge of fifteen seven dollars and 50 cents (\$\frac{15.00}{7.50}\) per month will be billed and collected from each dwelling unit, individual business and place of worship to fund the Sewer Improvement Fund.

- (d) As used in this section:
- (1) "Dwelling unit" means a residence, including, but not limited to, a home or individual apartment. Each individual dwelling unit in a single structure shall be separately assessed the surcharge.
- (2) "Business" means a location where any employment, occupation, profession or commercial activity is engaged in for gain or livelihood.
- (e) All monies collected from the surcharge set forth in division (c) hereof shall be credited to the Sewer Improvement Fund and utilized only for the purpose of said Fund. (Ord. 876. Passed 5-21-96; Ord. 1025. Passed 12-4-07; Ord. 2011-02. Passed 5-3-11.)

SECTION 4. AMENDMENTS. That any amendments herein are indicated with additions appearing in bold and underline and deletions appearing in bold and strikethrough.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. That the amendments contained herein shall be effective January 01, 2025.

SECTION 6. CODIFICATION. That the Council Clerk is hereby directed to submit the amendments herein to the codification service for the Village.

SECTION 7. PUBLIC MEETING. It is found and determined that all formal action of this public body concerning or relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in a public meeting open to the public at all times, and that all deliberations of the public body and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in public meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including all lawful ordinances and any applicable provisions of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

WHEREFORE, this legislation shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 19 day of 1

## **ATTESTATION**

(RC 731.20)

We hereby attest and affirm that the foregoing legislation received the necessary affirmative roll call votes required for passage by R.C. 731.17.

OR

#### LEGISLATION READINGS

ORC 731.17(A)

(1) Each ordinance and resolution shall be read by title only, provided the legislative authority may require any reading to be in full by a majority vote of its members.

(2) Each ordinance or resolution shall be read on three different days, provided the legislative authority may dispense with this rule by a vote of at least three-fourths of its members.

First Reading: 10.15. 2024 Second Reading: 11.5-2024 Third Reading: 11.14.2024

ROLL CALL VOTE

The vote on the passage was taken by yeas and nay least a majority of all the members of the legislative	ORC 731.17(A)(3) s and entered upon the journal. Each ordinance or resolution she e authority. Yeas, nays, abstentions, excused or absent votes wer	all be passed, except as otherwise provided by law, by a vote of e recorded as follows:
Mike King	Randy Wilson	Lynne Phillips
Nex)	Regina Lueck	Dorene Bayerly
Jason Hunter PREPARED BY AND APPROVED A	· ·	Dotelle Bayerly

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION
ORC 731.21 and 731.22

Pursuant to ORC 731.21(A)(3), I hereby certify that a succinct summary of the above legislation was/will be published using the following method: ON THE WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNT OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
The succinct summary was reviewed by the village solicitor as required by ORC 731.21(B). Publication was/will be made at least once a week for two consecutive weeks as required by ORC 731.22.

FISCAL OFFICER