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**PERRY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER
PERRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT
AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO WATER AND SEWER RATES
RATE ORDINANCE NO 007-2021
SERIES 2021**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PERRY COUNTY FISCAL COURT, HAZARD KY, AMENDING RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE SERVICE AND FACILITIES FURNISHED BY THE MUNICIPAL WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS.

Be it ordained by the Fiscal Court of the county of Perry, Commonwealth of Kentucky as follows:

WHEREAS, to account for an increase of our wholesale cost per 1,000 gallons of water purchased, inflation, and rising expenses and to meet the rising operating, upkeep and maintenance expenses of the water and wastewater systems and to better establish a required KIA reserve fund for the water system; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary as established by the Perry County Fiscal Court, Hazard, Kentucky, to amend Ordinance No. 010-2011 to Series 2021, to increase monthly water and wastewater service rates and fees as follows:

System Household and Commercial Water and/or Wastewater USERS

First 1,000 gallons \$ 28.95 (minimum bill)

Next 1,000 gallons (per thousand) \$ 4.05

Next 2,000 gallons (per thousand) \$8.05

All over 4,000 gal. (per thousand) \$ 10.25

The monthly charge for wastewater shall be established at 90% of water usage/charges and all surcharges will remain. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect July 1, 2021 following publication as required by law; and

WHEREAS, to account for continued cost increases due to purchased water rate increases, annual inflation, and annual rising operating, upkeep, and maintenance expenses due to an aging distribution system for water and collection system for wastewater; and

WHEREAS, it is determined to be in the best interest of our customers that the Perry County Fiscal Court, Hazard, Kentucky, to incorporate into Ordinance No. 007-2021 Series 2021, to allow for an annual CPI based rate increase to be levied effective July 1st of each year following Fiscal Year 2022 and beginning with July 1st 2022 adding a % increase, equivalent to the annual Consumer Price Index "CPI" to all water and wastewater service/delivery rates including all service installation and associated fees; and



WHEREAS, the water department has experienced increased costs of installation, meter sets, and sewer system tap-on activities given the following will be the fee schedule associated with each set/connection activity:

Water: *New Tap including meter base, meter, connectors at \$650.00 flat fee for household connections up to 1” service line

*New commercial tap including meter base, meter, connectors for lines of 2” (inch) diameter or greater at \$1,000 flat fee

*Water Connection within an existing meter base \$150.00 flat fee which includes \$100.00 refundable deposit (subject to limitations); and \$50.00 meter connection/turn-on fee

Sewer: New sewer tap-on of \$350.00 flat fee; and

Whereas, to account for increased water rates from our wholesale provider an increase and accounting for all water leaving our system the following shall be adhered to:

*To fill tanks, trucks, and any other water storage devices from a hydrant at the rate of \$10.00 per 250 gallons shall be levied with documented withdrawal to include date of withdrawal, authorization for withdrawal, and total gallons taken from the Perry County Water System through any type of hydrant or other large volume distribution/access point.

Any ordinance or parts of any ordinance in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

WHEREAS, to allow for an increase of our wholesale cost per 1,000 gallons purchased, inflation, and rising expenses and to meet the rising operating, upkeep and maintenance expenses of the water and wastewater systems; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary as established by a rate review (finding that our wholesale cost of water has increased significantly in the last two years) review as authorized by the Fiscal Court of Perry County, Hazard, Kentucky, leading to a necessary amendment to Ordinance No. 010-2011 to Series 2021, to increase monthly water rates as follows for wholesale customers:

SERVED THROUGH ONE STORAGE TANK AND ONE PUMP STATION:

First 10,000 gallons \$ 45.00 (minimum)

Next 30,000 gallons (per thousand) \$ 4.00

Next 60,000 gallons (per thousand) \$ 3.95

All over 100,000 gal. (per thousand) \$ 3.85

SERVED THROUGH TWO OR MORE ANY COMBINATION STORAGE TANKS AND/OR PUMP STATIONS:

First 10,000 gallons \$ 50.00 (minimum)

Next 30,000 gallons (per thousand) \$ 4.25

Next 60,000 gallons (per thousand) \$ 4.15

All over 100,000 gal. (per thousand) \$ 4.00; and

WHEREAS, it is determined to be in the best interest of our wholesale customers that the Perry County Fiscal Court, Hazard, Kentucky, to incorporate into Ordinance No. 007-2021 Series 2021, to allow for an annual CPI based rate increase to be levied effective July 1st of each year following beginning with July 1st 2022 adding a % increase, equivalent to the annual Consumer Price Index “CPI”, to all water wholesale customer rates.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect July 1, 2021 following publication as required by law.

First Reading May 18th, 2021

Second Reading June 29th, 2021

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott Alexander", written over a horizontal line.

Scott Alexander, Judge Executive

Attest: . ORDINANCE NO 007-21, Compensatory Rate Increase

Any ordinance or parts of ordinance in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict.