

ORDINANCE NO. 00-25
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA TO AMEND THE RATES CHARGED TO CONSUMERS FOR THE USE OF THE MUNICIPAL SEWER SERVICE, TO REPEAL ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE TIME WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE FORCE AND EFFECT.

WHEREAS, Section 3-214 of the Municipal Code of Friend, Nebraska (1999) grants to the Governing Body the authority to charge a rate for the use of the municipal sewer service as they shall from time to time, determine by ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. For the use of said sanitary sewage system, the following monthly rates are hereby established:

Single Family Residence: \$9.00 per month, plus \$1.00 per each 1,000 gallons of water usage, as determined by the winter quarter water usage of the dwelling unit served during the nearest preceding year. The term winter quarter is defined as the months of January, February, and March.

Multiple Family Residence: \$9.00 per month, plus \$1.00 per each 1,000 gallons of water usage, as determined by the winter quarter water usage of the dwelling units served during the nearest preceding year. The term winter quarter is defined as the months of January, February, and March.

Where more than one single or multiple family residential unit is served through a single water meter, the charge shall be \$9.00 per month for each residential unit served, plus a pro rata portion of the aforementioned water usage rate. The proration of this rate shall be determined by dividing the total usage by the number of residential units served from the single water meter.

Commercial Consumers: \$9.00 per month, plus \$1.00 per each 1,000 gallons of water usage, as determined by the winter quarter water usage of the commercial unit served during the nearest preceding year. The term winter quarter is defined as the months of January, February, and March.

The monthly rate for any and all residential customers that have not established a winter water usage based on the January, February, and March water meter readings shall pay a monthly rate based on the following guidelines: the base rate of \$9 per household will apply and the usage charge of \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons of water use will be determined based upon the size of the household. Those households with one or two members the average

water use will be estimated to be 3,000 gallons per month. For households with three or four members, the average water use will be estimated to be 6,000 gallons per month. For households with five or more members, the average water use will be estimated to be 9,000 gallons per month. The water use charge will be calculated based on these estimates and shall be in effect until the next winter water meter billing period has been completed and an actual monthly water use average can be determined. The Sewer Superintendent shall have the authority to adjust this charge based on current water readings if required.

The monthly rate for any commercial customers that have not established a winter water usage based on the meter readings for January, February, and March shall be determined as follows: the base rate of \$9.00 per month will apply, with the usage charge to be determined by the Sewer Superintendent upon prior approval of the City Council. Upon the completion of an entire winter quarter of usage, the usage charge of \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons of actual water use shall apply. The Sewer Superintendent shall have the authority to credit or charge the account of the commercial customer accordingly for any prior sewer use charges greater or less than the actual usage as determined by the winter quarter usage.

2. That all prior ordinances which are in conflict with the terms of this ordinance shall be and the same hereby are repealed.

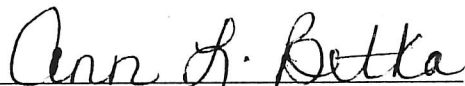
3. This ordinance shall become effective on June 30, 2000, and after its passage and publication according to law.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 6th day of June, 2000.



ATTEST:


MAYOR


CITY CLERK