

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REVISED WATER AND SEWER RATES
IN THE CITY OF SALTILLO, MISSISSIPPI AND WITHIN ONE (1) MILE OF THE
BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF SALTILLO, MISSISSIPPI**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi find that it is necessary to revise and increase the water and sewer rates in the City of Saltillo, Mississippi and within one (1) mile of the boundaries of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi to satisfy certain financial obligations for improvements in the water and sewer systems for the City of Saltillo, Mississippi pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 21-27-23 (1972), as amended.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF SALTILLO, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Water Rates

There shall be a minimum charge per customer of Nine Dollars (\$9.00) for the first Two Thousand (2000) gallons of water used as determined by the customer's water meter each monthly billing period for customers who reside within the municipal boundaries of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi.

There shall be a minimum charge per customer of Twelve Dollars (\$12.00) for the first Two Thousand (2000) gallons of water used as determined by the customer's water meter each monthly billing period for customers who reside outside the municipal boundaries of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi, but within one (1) mile of said municipal boundaries.

There shall be an additional charge for all customers, who reside within the said municipal boundaries and who reside outside the municipal boundaries of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi, but within one (1) mile of said municipal boundaries, of Three Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$3.50) for each one thousand (1000) gallons of water used or any part thereof as determined by the customer's water meter. (e.g., 3500 gallons would result in \$16.00 for customers who reside within the municipal boundaries (\$9.00 + \$3.50 + \$3.50 = \$16.00))

Section 1.a. Yard Meters

Separate and distinct meters set for the sole purpose of watering the yard, washing vehicles, filling swimming pools, etc (commonly referred to as "yard meters"), which do not utilize any aspect of the Saltillo Water Works' sewage system shall be billed each month as set forth in Section 1. herein; however, customers with yard meters may choose to disconnect for a fee of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) once annually, and re-connect for a fee of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) once annually, so long as they maintain the initial deposit with the City of Saltillo, Mississippi. The yard meters shall not otherwise be billed during the disconnection period.

Section 2. Sewer Rates

Sewer rates shall be based upon the customer's usage of water. There shall be a minimum charge per customer of Eleven Dollars (\$11.00) for sewer services and usage for the first Two Thousand (2000) gallons of water used as determined by the customer's water meter each monthly billing period. There shall be an additional charge of Three Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$3.50) for sewer services and usage for each one thousand (1000) gallons of water used or any part thereof as determined by the customer's water meter. (e.g., 3500 gallons would result in \$18.00 (\$11.00 + \$3.50 + \$3.50 = \$18.00)); and the result of the total bill for a customer within the municipal boundaries would be \$34.00 (\$16.00 for water and \$18.00 for sewer)

Section 2.a. Sewer Access and Connection Fee

There shall be an initial access and connection fee per each customer, in addition to other fees imposed by applicable law, ordinance, regulation or policy, in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), for access and connection to the sewer system of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi.

Section 3. Applicability

The water rates herein shall apply only to those customers of Saltillo Water Works within the municipal boundaries of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi, and those who are within one (1) mile of the municipal boundaries of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi as set forth more particularly in Section 1. The sewer rates as described in Sections 2 and 2a. shall apply to all Saltillo Water Works customers within the municipal boundaries of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi, and to any other customer who has connected to the Saltillo Water Works sewage system, so long as they are within one (1) mile of the municipal boundaries of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi.

Section 4. Severability, Conflict, Effective Date, and Publication & Recording

(A) Severability. Should any section, clause, paragraph, provision, or part of this ordinance for any reason be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, this act shall not affect the validity of any other section, clause, paragraph, provision, or part of this ordinance. All provisions of this ordinance shall be considered separate provisions, and completely severable from all other portions.

(B) Conflict. In any case where a provision of this ordinance is found to be in conflict with a provision of any other ordinance or code of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi, existing on the effective date of the ordinance, the provisions of this ordinance shall take precedence.

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(D) Publication & Recording. The City Clerk is instructed to publish this ordinance one time in the Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal and to obtain proof of publication thereof and record this ordinance in the ordinance book.

Section 5. Adoption and Certification

UPON MOTION of Alderman CLIFF NICHOLS, duly seconded by Alderman TERRY GLIDEWELL, the aforesaid ordinance was put to a vote with Aldermen voting as follows:

ALDERMEN VOTING "YEA":

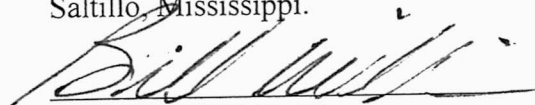
Alderman Mitchell Brazeal
Alderman Bill Cherry
Alderman Terry Glidewell
Alderman Cliff Nichols


ALDERMEN VOTING "NAY":

ALDERMEN ABSENT OR NOT
VOTING:

Alderman Beverly Bedford

ORDAINED AND ADOPTED this the 4th day of SEPTEMBER, 2007,
at the REGULAR Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of
Saltillo, Mississippi.


BILL WILLIAMS, Mayor
City of Saltillo, Mississippi


LISA STRICKLAND, Interim Clerk
City of Saltillo, Mississippi

(SEAL)

NOTE: This ordinance was approved and adopted by the Mayor and Board of Alderman at their REGULAR Meeting on SEPTEMBER 4, 2007 and appears in Minute Book 2 at pages 56, 57 & 58.