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10.04.01 Water rates Beginning with the March 2016 billing cycle, water rates will be modified to the following:

- A. The minimum cost to purchase up to 299 gallons per month will increase from \$9.75 per month to \$10.50 per month, and
- B. The cost to purchase from 300-4,000 gallons per month will increase from \$20.00 per month to \$22.50 per month, and
- C. The cost to purchase additional water in excess of 4,000 gallons per month will increase from \$2.00 per 1,000 gallons to \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons. (Ord. No. 2016-03, Sec. 1.)

Effective March 8, 2016

State tax 6.5%, County tax 1%, City tax 1%

Gals of water	Net	State tax	County tax	City tax	SDA	Total
0-299	\$10.5	0.68	0.11	0.11	0.30	11.69
300-4000	22.5	1.46	0.23	0.23	0.30	24.71
Next 1000 Gallons	+ 2.50	+0.1625	+0.025	+0.025	-	2.71

10.04.02 Fixed Rates The fixed rates will be as follows:

- A. Service fee: \$25.00 maintenance fee due when account is opened
- B. Office fee: \$10.00 clerical fee due when account is opened
- C. Offsite fee: \$9.00 per month for customers outside the city
- D. Past due fee: \$25.00
- E. Reconnect fee: \$25.00
- F. Late fees: \$5.00 per month for water, \$3.00 per month for sanitation
- G. Returned check fees: \$25.00 plus current bank charges
- H. Set water meter fee (3/4"): \$500.00
- I. Set water meter fee (1"): \$650.00.
- J. Deposits: due when account is opened and will be used to assist with final payment, with the remainder refunded to the customer.
 - 1. Homeowners Deposit: \$100.00;
 - 2. Renters Deposit: \$150.00 (Ord. No. 2017-02, Sec. 7.)

Deposits: To be used to assist with the final payment, with the remainder refunded to the customer.

- A. Homeowners deposit: \$100.00 which includes a refundable \$100.00 fee upon leaving the system, \$25.00 service fee and a \$10.00 office fee.
- B. Renters deposit: \$150.00 which includes a refundable \$150.00 fee upon leaving the system, \$25.00 service fee and a \$10.00 office fee. After one year of service \$50.00 will be refunded if there have been no late payments and the refundable fee will be reduced to \$100.00.

(Ord. No. 2015-06, Sec. 2.)

10.04.03 Private wells The Briarcliff potable (drinking) water supply will be provided by the Briarcliff Waterworks known as the Briarcliff Water and Recreational Improvement District No. 1. Private wells will not be allowed within the city limits.

Exceptions:

- A. Private wells existing prior to the city establishment will be allowed for water supply for non-potable uses. These wells shall not be connected to the house and/or the potable water system.
- B. New wells will be allowed in Briarcliff for water supply for non-potable use. These wells shall not be connected to the house and/or the potable water system.
- C. Homes annexed by the city can maintain their wells until such time as the potable water supply can be delivered to the property.
- D. Any area where potable water cannot be supplied by the water company shall be addressed by the City Council on a case by case basis, affecting the health, safety and welfare of the population.
- E. Penalties: Violation of this ordinance will result in a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) will be imposed for any second offense. (Ord. No. 8-13-2005)

CHAPTER 10.08

WATER AND SANATION BILLING

Sections:

- 10.08.01 Billing
- 10.08.02 Water and Sanitation Billing

10.08.01 Billing Effective July 1, 2007, as per A.C.A. 14-232-101, A.C.A. 14-232-110, and A.C.A. 14-232-602, the city shall bill water and trash in a combined bill and any partial payment shall first go to pay the trash bill. (Ord. No. 7-4-2007, Sec. 1.)

10.08.02 Water and Sanitation Billing

A. Water and trash bills will be issued on or before the first of each month, and will be due and payable by the 15th of each month.

B. Bills that are not paid by the due date will be considered late, resulting in a Late Bill being issued that will be due by the 25th of the month.

C. Late Bills that are not paid by the due date will be subject to water being turned off and a Reconnect Fee being applied.

D. The City will consider a customer request to maintain water service when the Late Bill has not been paid by the due date. However, alternative payment arrangements must be accepted and a Past Due Fee will be applied. If the customer does not adhere to the alternative arrangements, the water service will once again be subject to being turned off and a Reconnect Fee being applied.

E. Any water and/or trash bill in arrears for two or more billing cycles will be sent a letter giving them ten (10) days to contact the City office to make payments arrangements. If arrangements have not been approved within (10) days, the customer will be subject to a citation and a fine of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) plus court costs for the first offense, with a Fifty Dollar (\$50.00) fine plus court costs for the second offense, and so forth.

CHAPTER 10.12

LIGHT POSTS

Sections:

- 10.12.01 Street lighting installed
- 10.12.02 Quarterly billing
- 10.12.03 Fine

10.12.01 Street lighting installed The subdivision known as “The Summit” located in the city limits of Briarcliff will have its own street lighting installed. The city as per A.C.A. 14-54-603 shall assess the owner of each of the seventy lots a pro-rated share of the electric charges for said lighting. (Ord. No. 8-12-2006.)

10.12.02 Quarterly billing The assessment will be billed quarterly as per current rates. A Five Dollars (\$5.00) late fee will be added after the end of each quarter that the bill is not paid. (Ord. No. 8-11-2012.)

10.12.03 Fine In the event the assessment is not paid for two or more quarters, the Mayor or City Marshal shall notify the owner in writing that they have ten (10) days to pay said assessment and accumulated late charges. If the bill is not paid after the ten (10) days, a citation may be issued and the fine will be not less than Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) plus court costs. (Ord. No. 8-11-2012.)