

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-01**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER, USE OF SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM,  
AND FOR SERVICE CONNECTIONS**

**BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GRAINFIELD, KANSAS, while meeting in regular session and with a quorum present, that:**

**SECTION 1: For the purposes of providing funds to pay the cost of operation, repairs, maintenance, extensions, enlargements, improvements to and new construction for the water system and sewage disposal system for the City of Grainfield and to provide funds for the payment of loans, revenue bonds, and interest thereon, as may be issued to such water system and sewage disposal system, either severally or jointly, the following charges per meter per month shall be made of each user of said system who make use thereof within the City of Grainfield, commencing with the first billing date after this Ordinance becomes effective.**

**SECTION 2: Water rates are as follows:**

- a) Minimum charge of \$20.00 per month for the first two thousand (2000) gallons;**
- b) Then \$1.50 per thousand gallons per month over the minimum up to and including twenty thousand (20,000) gallons;**
- c) Then \$2.00 per thousand gallons per month at twenty-one thousand (21,000) gallons up to and including forth-nine thousand (49,000) gallons;**
- d) Then \$3.00 per thousand per month at fifty thousand (50,000) gallons and up.**

**SECTION 3: Sewage disposal rates are as follows:**

- a) For the use of the sewage disposal system, there shall be a base charge of \$30.00 per month.**

**SECTION 4: Billings and Delinquency:**

- a) The charges of the use of the water system and sewage disposal system shall be billed on a monthly basis on or before the last day of each month following the date this ordinance becomes effective, as hereinafter provided, and if such bill is not paid on or before the twenty-fifth (25th) day by 5:00 p.m. of the following month of issue, it shall be considered delinquent on the 26th of the month and the City Clerk shall give notice either by phone call or in writing to such delinquent user that if said bill is not paid by the next billing date, on or before the last day of the each month water service and use of sewage disposal system shall be discontinued for such delinquent user. A \$25.00 late fee shall be added to those bills not paid by the due date.**
- b) Any delinquent user whose service is discontinued shall be subject to a reconnect fee of \$40.00 and must pay all outstanding balances.**
- c) Meters are read from March to October. Billings in the other months are assessed the Minimum charge until the March reading when all overage is billed.**
- d) All water leaks on the customer's side of the meter are the responsibility of the customer.**
- e) All utility billings will be to the owner of the property being serviced and shall remain the owner's responsibility, even if the property is occupied by a tenant.**
- f) The city has no way to disconnect sewer service. For that reason, those that are delinquent with their sewer bill, but have no city water service, will still be charged for monthly sewer fees and a delinquency fee of \$40.00 each month if not paid by the 1st of each month.**

SECTION 5: From and after the date this ordinance is published in the official City Paper, each individual person, firm, partnership, company or corporation who may wish to use either the water system or the sewage disposal system or both, shall make application therefore in writing and file the same with the City Clerk and shall, if required, pay on or before such service is commenced, a non-refundable connect fee of One hundred twenty-five Dollars (\$125.00).

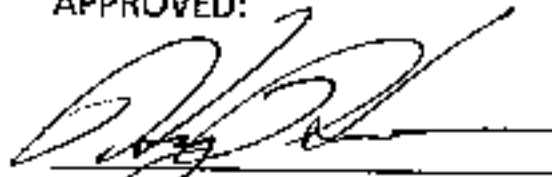
SECTION 6: If an applicant for water service wants such service delivered at a point not heretofore connected with the water system, said applicant, shall, at the time the application is made, as provided in Section 5 of this ordinance pay a service connection charge of the cost of materials, through which the gallonage of use is measured for determination of charges to be made to and collected from such applicant. A service connection shall include complete installation from the water main up to and including the meter, meter box and meter box lid. Whereupon the City shall proceed to make such installation.

SECTION 7: It is further ordained by the governing body of the City of Grainfield that any ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

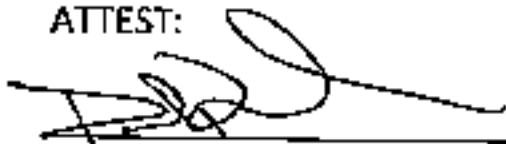
SECTION 8: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its adoption and publication in the official city newspaper.

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor on this 11th day of February, 2019.

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk