

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-13**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-24, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-17, AN ORDINANCE INCREASING WATER RATES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTIONS 2 AND 5 OF ORDINANCE NO. 2018-17 TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENT MINIMUM CHARGE FOR EACH TAP EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Village of Antwerp, Ohio, adopted Ordinance No. 2018-17 to increase the minimum charge for each tap and the water rates with the increased rates effective January 1, 2020, and a two percent (2%) increase to be implemented in the years thereafter, specifically in years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council provided in Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2018-17 that the water rate increases established in said Ordinance would be reviewed annually to determine whether the increases are sufficient; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council determined in 2022 that the rates set in Ordinance No. 2018-17 were not sufficient to raise the capital required to provide for repairs and to maintain the integrity of the current water system, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Council passed Ordinance No. 2022-24 to increase the rates for system usage, with two increases scheduled for January 1, 2023 and January 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has determined that the rates which took effect on January 1, 2024, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2022-24 are sufficient to continue providing the capital needed for repairs and to maintain the integrity of the current water system through the end of 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY A MINIMUM OF A MAJORITY VOTE** by the Council of the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County, Ohio:

**Section 1.** That Section 2 of Ordinance No. 2018-17 currently reads as follows:

**Section 2.** The quarterly water rates for users/consumers within the Village corporation limits effective January 1, 2019, January 1, 2020, January 1, 2021, January 1, 2022, January 1, 2023, and January 1, 2024, will be as follows:

January 1, 2019	\$35.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.31 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2020	\$35.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.42 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used

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January 1, 2021	\$35.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.53 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2022	\$35.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.64 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2023	<b>\$105.00</b> minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.75 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2024	<b>\$105.00</b> minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.87 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used

Quarterly water rates effective January 1, 2019, January 1, 2020, January 1, 2021, January 1, 2022, January 1, 2023, and January 1, 2024, for those users/consumers within the Village corporation limits who qualify for the homestead tax exemption will be as follows:

January 1, 2019	\$25.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$3.14 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2020	\$25.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$3.20 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2021	\$25.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$3.26 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2022	\$25.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$3.33 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2023	<b>\$95.00</b> minimum charge for each tap plus \$3.40 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2024	<b>\$95.00</b> minimum charge for each tap plus \$3.47 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used

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**Section 2.** That Section 2 of Ordinance No. 2018-17 is hereby amended as follows:

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**Section 3.** That Section 5 of Ordinance No. 2018-17 currently reads as follows:

**Section 5.** The quarterly water rates effective January 1, 2019, January 1, 2020, January 1, 2021, January 1, 2022, January 1, 2023, and January 1, 2024, for users/consumers of water outside of the Village corporation limits will be as follows:

January 1, 2019	\$45.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$9.30 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2020	\$45.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$9.49 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2021	\$45.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$9.68 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2022	\$45.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$9.87 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used
January 1, 2023	<b>\$115.00</b> minimum charge for each tap plus \$10.07 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used

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January 1, 2019 \$35.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.50 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used

January 1, 2020 \$35.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.61 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used

January 1, 2021 \$35.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.72 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used

January 1, 2022 \$35.00 minimum charge for each tap plus \$5.83 for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of all water used

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**Section 3.** That previous Ordinances and/or any provisions thereof and rules of the Village of Antwerp that are not consistent with this Ordinance are hereby set aside, revoked, and held for naught. However, any other provisions of existing Ordinances authorizing the charge of water rates and/or provision of water service in the Village that are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect, including any non-conflicting provisions of Ordinance Nos. 2014-21, 2016-13, 2016-27 (amending Ordinance No. 2014-21), 2018-17, 2019-09 (repealing section 4 of Ordinance No. 2018-17), and 2022-24 (amending Ordinance No. 2018-17).

**Section 4.** That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the Council concerning or relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

**Section 5.** That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Date 12/11/2024

Bryan A. Smith  
Jan Reeb, Mayor of the Village of Antwerp

Attest:  
Kevin Hornish  
Kevin Hornish, Fiscal Officer

Bryan A. Smith, Acting Mayor  
O.R.C. 731.10

First Reading: 10/09/2024

Second Reading: 11/13/2024

Third Reading: 12/11/2024