

**Town of Monroe**  
**Ordinance No. 2024- 14**  
**Water Rate Adjustment**

Whereas, the Town Council of the Town of Monroe (the “Town Council”) previously enacted Ordinance Nos. 2017-3 and 2020-2 for the providing of the schedule of rates and charges to be collected by the Town of Monroe, Indiana (the “Town”) from the owners of properties served by the Waterworks of said Town; and

Whereas, the Town has previously withdrawn from the jurisdiction of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission and is therefore entitled to establish its rates and charges for said water services without the necessity of hearings before said commission; and

Whereas, the Town now finds it necessary to amend the schedule of rates and charges previously adopted in order to provide sufficient revenue to operate and maintain the Waterworks of the Town and in order to properly operate and maintain its Waterworks plant, provide for depreciation, service any outstanding and proposed indebtedness, finance necessary improvements to the system and to provide for a payment in lieu of taxes and a reasonable return on its utility plant and that in order to accomplish said purposes, the existing rates and charges should be increased.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Monroe, Adams County, Indiana:

Section 1. Section 13.1 of Ordinance Nos. 2017-3 and 2020-2 as originally adopted and enacted by the Town Council shall be amended to read and the same shall read as if originally set out therein as follows:

Section 13.1. There shall be and there are hereby established for the use of and the service rendered by the waterworks system of the Town of Monroe, the following nondiscriminatory, reasonable and just rates and charges, based, except as is otherwise provided, on the monthly use of water supplied by said waterworks system:

<u>Flow Charge (per 1,000 gallons)</u>	<u>Inside Corporation</u>	<u>Outside Corporation</u>
First 2,000 gallons	\$3.34	\$3.34
Next 5,000 gallons	\$11.06	\$11.06
Next 8,000 gallons	\$10.10	\$10.10
Next 10,000 gallons	\$9.09	\$9.09
Next 10,000 gallons	\$7.91	\$7.91
Over 35,000 gallons	\$7.25	\$7.25

<u>Base Charge (per month)</u>	<u>Inside Corporation</u>	<u>Outside Corporation</u>
5/8 – 3/4" connection	\$34.95	\$41.85
1" connection	\$69.10	\$76.00
1 1/2" connection	\$116.85	\$123.70
2" connection	\$166.30	\$173.20
3" connection	\$272.30	\$279.15
4" connection	\$403.45	\$410.40
6" connection	\$716.75	\$723.65

Notice Pursuant to Indiana Code 8-1.5-3-8.1

Notice is hereby given that this ordinance imposes different rates and charges for service to properties located outside the town's boundaries as opposed to the rates and charges for service to properties located within the boundaries of the Town of Monroe. The difference in rates is found in the base charges in an amount of \$6.90 and would equate to a 11% difference for a user with a 5/8" connection using 4,000 gallons per month.

Public hydrant rental per annum \$20,000

Collection and Deferred Payment Charges

All bills for water services not paid within fifteen days from the due date thereof, as stated in such bills, shall be subject to the monthly collection of a deferred payment charge of 10% on the first \$10.00 of the balance past due and 3% on the excess over \$10.00 past due.

Section 2. All sections of Ordinance Nos. 2017-3 and 2020-2, and subsequent amendments thereto, not inconsistent herewith are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and will, therefore, be applicable with the first full billing cycle following adoption.

Passed and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Monroe on the 3 day of October, 2024.

Town Council for the Town of Monroe,  
County of Adams, State of Indiana

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ATTEST:

Rachel Tague  
Rachel Tague, Monroe Clerk-Treasurer