

ORDINANCE NO: O-2023-3

VILLAGE OF HASKINS, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SEWER RATES TABLE OF UNIT BILLING

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 729.49 authorizes the Village of Haskins to establish and collect rents and charges for the use of sewers, sewage disposal works and other wastewater treatment facilities, and

WHEREAS, on June 5th, 2006, the Council of Haskins Village adopted Ordinance Number 0-2006-7, which amended previously adopted Ordinances and established Water and Sewer Rates which included Sewer Rates Table of Unit Billing; and later, on October 2, 2006, adopted Ordinance O-2006-9, amending 0-2006-7; and on August 20th 2007, adopted Ordinance O-2007-9, amending O-2006-7; and on July 20th 2009, adopted Ordinance O-2009-2, amending Ordinance O-2007-9; and on August 15th 2011 adopted Ordinance O-2011-7 amending Ordinance O-2009-2; and adopted Ordinance O-2012-10, amending Ordinance O-2011-7; and adopted Ordinance O-2014-4, amending Ordinance O-2012-10; adopted Ordinance O-2018-3 amending Ordinance O-2014-4; adopted Ordinance O-2019-4 amending Ordinance O-2018-3; and adopted Ordinance O-2020-6 amending Ordinance O-2019-4, and adopted Ordinance O-2022-4 amending Ordinance O-2020-6, amending Ordinance O-2022-4 and adopted Ordinance O-2023-3

WHEREAS, the Finance and Audit Committee of the Council of Haskins Village approved changes to the Sewer Rates Table of Unit Billing and following the recommendation of the Rate Study completed in 2020 it is recommended to the Council of Haskins Village that such changes be adopted, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Haskins, Wood County, Ohio, that:

Section 1: The attached Sewer Rates Table of Unit Billing, marked as Exhibit A and Incorporated herein, is hereby adopted; revoking the previously adopted Sewer Rates Table of Unit Billing, and replacing it with Exhibit A.

Section 2: The revised Sewer Rates Table of Unit Billing (covering 2024, 2025 & 2026) shall become effective the 1st Billing Cycle of January in their respective year.

Section 3: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any other committees that results in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Vote on passage: 6 Yeas Nays Abstentions

Passed this 3 day of April 2023

Erin D. Piehn
President Pro Tempore

ATTEST:
Lisa D. Heft
Clerk-Treasurer Lisa D. Heft

APPROVED:
Bradley Heft
Honorable Mayor Bradley Heft

HASKINS VILLAGE SEWER RATES – TABLE OF UNIT BILLING (EXHIBIT A)

The following structure is hereby established as “Sewer Rates” for the purposes of monthly billing. These charges will appear on the Haskins Utilities Bill which shall also include fees for electric usage, storm water surcharge and a waterline surcharge.

A single unit is equivalent to a charge of \$70.00 per month. All Property Owner that own property with respect to which the sewer system is available are subject to the minimum monthly charge of 1 unit or \$70.00 per month whether the proper is occupied or vacant. This rate will take effect on the first billing cycle of 2024, the rate will increase to \$70.00, \$72.00, and \$74.00 on their respective years.

2024	1 st Billing Cycle in January	\$70.00 Per Month
2025	1 st Billing Cycle in January	\$72.00 Per Month
2026	1 st Billing Cycle in January	\$74.00 Per Month

TYPE OF LAND USE

UNIT BILLING BASIS

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OWNERS:

Single Family Residence	1 Unit
Apartment / Multi-Family	1 Unit per Living Unit

COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY OWNERS:

Church	1 Unit per 80 sanctuary seats
Day Care Facility	1 Unit per 50 enrollment
Schools	
Elementary	1.5 Units per 100 enrollments
High or Junior High / Middle	3 Units per 100 enrollment
Nursing and Rest Homes	.5 of a unit per bed
Office Building / Factory / Industrial	1 Unit per 20 employees
Food Service Operations or Bars	
With Sit Down seating of 1 to 35 seats	1 Unit
With Sit Down seating of 36 to 75 seats	2 Units
With Sit Down seating over 75 seats	3 Units
Car Wash	.5 of a unit per bay
Laundry / Laundromat	.5 of a unit per washing machine
Beauty Shop	.5 of a unit per basin
Gas Station	1 Unit
General Business (Convenience; Carry-Out; Stand Up Food Service)	1 Unit
Migrant Camp	1 Unit
Vacant Commercial / Industrial Property	1 Unit

ADJUSTMENTS AND BILLING CATEGORIES:

Haskins Village reserves the right to make justified adjustments to the Table of Unit Billing. The Village Administrator will make the determination as to the assignment of billing categories per Property Owner and any appeals for special consideration must be made in writing to the Haskins Village Council. Property Owner types not herein defined shall be charged on a case-by-case basis as determined by the Streets and Utilities Committee of the Haskins Village Council. Sewer rates and charges are subject to annual review as in the overall rate structure Ordinance for the Waste Water Treatment Facility debt retirement, maintenance and operation.

Revised: January, 2023

ISSUANCE OF BILLS:

The Haskins Utilities Bill will be issued to the Property Owner. However, in the event that the property is occupied by an individual or entity other than the Property Owner and the individual or entity registers with the Haskins Village to have any portion of the Haskins Utilities Bill issued to them, the Haskins Utilities Bill will be issued to the registrant. The Property Owner of record at the time the sewer charges are incurred is responsible for payment of all such charges, regardless of who occupied the property at the time such charges were incurred.

ADJUSTMENTS TO UNIT BILLING FOR COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL USERS:

In those cases where the unit billing is based upon the number of enrolled persons in a school, the enrollment shall be verified by the Village Administrator twice annually, once at the beginning of each school year and then again at the end of the school year (to determine out of session enrollment). Adjustments in enrollment shall be applied at the next billing cycle or otherwise at the discretion of the Village Administrator. For those instances where enrollment in an Elementary School exceeds or is less than the quantifier of 100, the sewer charge shall be increased or decreased at the rate of \$0.95 per student, per month. For those instances where enrollment in a High or Junior High School exceeds or is less than the quantifier of 100, the sewer charge shall be increased or decreased at the rate of \$1.89 per student, per month. In the case of a day care facility, enrollment shall be verified once annually. All schools and day care facilities are however subject to a minimum monthly charge of 1 unit, or Set Monthly Rate (See Rate Chart).

In those cases where the unit billing is based upon the number of employed persons, such number shall be verified annually by the Village Administrator. Any increases above the quantified of 1 unit per 20 employees shall be charged at the rate of \$3.15 per employee, per month. Due to the fact that a minimum charge of 1 unit, (See Rate Chart), is applicable, there cannot be any deductions from the rate in those instances where there are less than 20 employees.

SENIOR RESIDENT DISCOUNT:

Senior citizen residential customers may be eligible for a ten dollar (\$10.00) monthly discount which is to be applied to their flat rate monthly sewer use bill if all of the following criteria are met:

1. Sewer Service is provided to the customer's residential property which is situated within the Village of Haskins;
2. Customer is the account holder or customer of record;
3. Customer has reached the age of sixty-five (65) years of age;
4. Customer completes a notarized application form;
5. Customer present photographic identification or otherwise satisfies the burden of proving his or her identity and age;
6. Customer acknowledges that this discount may be discontinued after annual review by Village Council.

UNIT BILLING APPLICATION:

Fifty (50%) of each unit billed will be applied for debt service (OWDA) and Twenty five (25%) will be applied to sewer operating and Twenty-Five (25%) be applied to the sanitary sewer capital improvement fund. This unit billing application will be reviewed on a yearly basis.