

**VILLAGE OF CLIFFORD**

**WATER CONNECTION FEE AND USAGE FEE ORDINANCE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 44**

An Ordinance to regulate the connection to the Village water system, to establish conditions for the connection to the Village water system, and to authorize the Village Council to establish fees for connection to and usage of the Village water system.

**THE VILLAGE OF CLIFFORD ORDAINS:**

The following sections of Ordinance No. 13 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Application. Any person, firm, or corporation desiring public water service shall file an application with the Village Clerk containing the name and address of the applicant, a description of the land or premises to be serviced, the nature of the use anticipated for the water and the nature and the size of the water connection pipelines, the distance, if known, that the property is located from any existing public water main, and the anticipated number of connections from the property contemplated in the foreseeable future. The applicant shall submit with the application plans showing the size and location of the connecting water lines, and all hydrants, valves, and service shut-offs.

Section 2. Permit Required. No connection shall be made to the Village water supply until all plans and specifications have been approved by the engineer designated by the Village and a permit has been issued by the Village.

Section 3. Connection Fee. The connection fees for connecting a dwelling or other building into the Village water system shall be determined by resolution of the Village Council. The term "connection fee" as used in this ordinance, pertains to a charge for the privilege of connecting premises to the Village water system and does not pertain to the construction costs of such connection. In addition, the applicant shall pay the expense incurred by the Village for review of the plans and specifications by the designated township engineer and the costs incurred to determine the available capacity of the existing water system. All water service connections from the shut-off valve to the building shall be installed at the expense of the property owner.

Section 4. Condition for Connection. No service connection shall be made and no building permit shall be issued for a parcel of property or any building until all fees required by this Ordinance and any resolution of the Village Council adopted pursuant to this ordinance have been paid.


Section 5. Water Usage Fees. The Village Council shall establish by resolution, rates to be charged and paid for water supplied to each dwelling and commercial building and may periodically modify, amend, increase, or diminish the water rates. The rates shall be paid and payments shall be enforced in the manner set forth in Village Ordinance #13, as amended.

Section 6. Use of Connection Fees and Water Rates. All connection fees and water usage rates collected by the Village shall be deposited in a Village account designated as the "water fund", and shall be used only for the administration, operation, maintenance, repair, and regulation of the Village water supply system, and such other expenses as may be incurred by the Village in connection with the water supply system.

This amendatory ordinance shall take immediate effect.

The undersigned President and Clerk of the Village of Clifford hereby certify that this ordinance was adopted by the Village Council at a meeting held on the 19th day of March, 2002 and was published in the Lapeer County Press on the 27th day of March, 2002.

  
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John Ode, President

  
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Suzanne Martinez, Clerk