

## ORDINANCE NO. 191

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHITTEMORE, IOWA, 2007, BY AMENDING THE WATER RATES “USER FEE” AND ESTABLISHING AN “OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS USER FEE”.

Be it Enacted by the City Council of the City of Whittemore, Iowa:

**SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED.** Section 6-5-8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Whittemore, Iowa, 2007, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

**6-5-8: WATER RATES.** Water service to customers of Whittemore Municipal Utilities shall be furnished at the following monthly rates, which include user fees, consumption charge, and meter charge:

1. User Fee.
  - A. A flat water user fee of \$14.00 per month, regardless of the amount of the consumption by the customer, shall be assessed to all customers living within the city limits. Such amount is necessary to retire the indebtedness, operation and maintenance, and reserve necessary for maintaining the water system.
  - B. A flat water user fee of \$20.00 per month, regardless of the amount of the consumption by the customer, shall be assessed to all customers living outside the city limits. Such amount is necessary to retire the indebtedness, operation and maintenance, and reserve necessary for maintaining the water system.
2. Consumption Charge. The rate shall be applicable to the total gallons metered and used by each customer per month:
  - A. Residential Rate:
    - First 1,000 gallons used per month @ \$8.081 (Minimum Bill)
    - Next 6,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.889 per 1,000 gallons
    - Next 8,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.597 per 1,000 gallons
    - Next 15,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.307 per 1,000 gallons
    - Next 20,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.162 per 1,000 gallons
    - All over 50,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.016 per 1,000 gallons
  - B. Commercial Rate:
    - First 1,000 gallons used per month @ \$9.245 (Minimum Bill)
    - Next 6,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.889 per 1,000 gallons
    - Next 8,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.597 per 1,000 gallons
    - Next 15,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.307 per 1,000 gallons
    - Next 20,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.162 per 1,000 gallons
    - Over 50,000 gallons used per month @ \$1.016 per 1,000 gallons
  - C. Whittemore Housing Units: The minimum consumption charge shall be \$8.081 for 1,000 gallons per apartment per month. All excess water at each housing unit (total usage on meter, minus 1,000 gallons for each apartment therein) shall be figured using the residential rate chart listed in Paragraph A of this subsection.

3. Meter Charge.
  - A. Residential: \$6.00 plus applicable taxes, per meter, per month
  - B. Commercial: \$6.00 plus applicable taxes, per meter, per month

**SECTION 2. REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.** If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE.** This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

**PASSED and APPROVED** by the Council of the City of Whittemore, Iowa, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013.

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