

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2009

Introduced by: Commissioner Croswell

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF TRAPPE AMENDING THE TOWN'S WATER AND SEWER CHARGES TO ESTABLISH THE SAME RATES FOR PROPERTIES THAT ARE LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE MUNICIPAL LIMITS AS THE RATES FOR THE PROPERTIES LOCATED WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL LIMITS

WHEREAS, Md. Code Ann. Environmental Article § 9-705 and The Trappe Town Charter § 707 authorizes the Town to construct, operate, modify and maintain a water and sewerage system; and

WHEREAS, Md. Code Ann. Environmental Article § 9-723 and the Trappe Town Charter § 718 authorize the Town to establish rates, fees and charges for municipal water and sewer services; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2007, at the Town's regular meeting, the Council of Trappe adopted Ordinance 3-2007, entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF TRAPPE AMENDING THE TOWN'S WATER AND SEWER CHARGES", which established monthly water and sewer charges for properties receiving water and/or sewer services that are located within the municipal limits of Trappe and also for properties receiving water and/or sewer services that are located outside of the municipal limits of Trappe; and

WHEREAS, after an advertised public hearing, the Council of Trappe has determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to revise the monthly water and sewer fees that apply to properties located outside of the municipal limits and make such rates the same as the rates that apply to properties located within the Town until the rate structure can be reviewed further.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of Trappe hereby ordains as follows:

1. That Ordinance 3-2007 is hereby amended as follow:

Section 4. Monthly water charges for properties receiving Town water services. located within the municipal limits. For properties **receiving municipal water services** ~~located within the municipal limits~~, each metered property shall be charged a basic monthly water service availability fee of \$20.40 which includes the first 1700 gallons metered, and shall also be charged a monthly water usage rate of \$3.20 per thousand gallons metered after the first 1700 gallons.

Section 5. ~~Monthly water charges for properties located outside municipal limits.~~ For properties ~~located outside municipal limits that receive water services~~, each metered property shall be charged a basic monthly water service availability fee of ~~\$32.80~~ which includes the first 1700 gallons

metered, and shall also be charged a monthly water usage rate of \$6.40 per thousand gallons metered after the first 1700 gallons.

Section 6. Monthly sewer charges for properties receiving Town sewer services, located within municipal limits. For properties **receiving Town sewer services, located within the municipal limits**, each metered property shall be charged a basic monthly sewer service availability fee of \$ 30.60 which includes the first 1700 gallons of water metered per customer and shall also be charged a monthly sewerage usage rate of \$ 5.25 per thousand gallons of water used, after the first 1700 gallons.

~~Section 7. Monthly sewer charges for properties located outside municipal limits. For properties located outside the municipal limits that receive sewer services, each metered property shall be charged a basic monthly sewer service availability fee of \$49.20 which includes the first 1700 gallons metered per customer and shall also be charged a monthly sewerage usage rate of \$10.50 per thousand gallons of water used, after the first 1700 gallons.~~

2. That the water and sewer rates, fees and charges set forth herein shall become effective on August 1, 2009.

3. All other provisions of Ordinance 7-2004 shall remain in effect to the extent that such ordinances are not inconsistent with the provisions set forth herein.

Robert Croswell

Walter Chase

Norm Fegel

Rosalee Potter

Richard Dorbin

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance Number _____ of the Town of Trappe was duly read, advertised, and enacted in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Charter of the Town of Trappe.

Attest: _____
Joedy Cecil, Clerk/Treasurer

Town of Trappe

Language in **bold** indicates language added by this Ordinance
Language ~~stricken~~ indicates language stricken by this Ordinance

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