

ORDINANCE 79-31

To Repeal and Re-enact Title 9 of the  
Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled "Water"

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON,  
MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION I. Title 9 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, entitled "Water"  
shall be repealed and re-enacted as follows:

Title 9

WATER

Chapters:

- 9.04 General Rules
- 9.08 Water Rates
- 9.12 Water Service Charges
- 9.16 Fluoridation

Chapter 9.04

GENERAL RULES

Sections:

- 9.04.010 Water Utility Rules and Regulations.
- 9.04.020 Use of Water During Emergencies.
- 9.04.030 Unauthorized Use of Water.
- 9.04.040 Fire Lines and Hydrants.
- 9.04.050 Extension of Water Mains.

9.04.010 Water Utility Rules and Regulations. A copy of the Rules, Regulations and Standards of Service for the Bloomington Water Utility shall be filed and posted in the Commercial Office of the utility and shall be available for public inspection during regular business hours.

9.04.020 Use of Water During Emergencies. In the event of fire, flood, drought or other emergency, the mayor and the utilities director shall provide notice of the emergency by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the city. After notice has been given, it shall be unlawful to use water for any and all purposes specified in the notice, except domestic household use and fire purposes.

9.04.030 Unauthorized Use of Water. No person except those authorized by the utility shall take water from any public or private hydrant, street washer or faucet, or in any way use or take water for private use which is supplied by the water utility, without first paying for the water and receiving a receipt from the utility.

9.04.040 Fire Lines and Hydrants. All pipes or hydrants placed in or about buildings for fire protection shall be used exclusively for fire purposes. Temporary connections to fire hydrants for industrial or other purposes shall be permitted only when authorized by the utility in writing.

9.04.050 Extension of Water Mains. (a) The extension of water mains and related facilities to residential areas shall be accomplished according to Rule 12 of the Rules, Regulations and Standards of Service for the Water Utility.

(b) The extension of water mains and related facilities to apartment complexes, mobile home parks, and commercial and industrial additions shall be determined by the Utilities Service Board on an individual basis.

Chapter 9.08  
WATER RATES

Sections:

- 9.08.010 Monthly Rates Generally.
- 9.08.020 Contract Sales for Resale.
- 9.08.030 Municipal Hydrant Rates.
- 9.08.040 Private Fire Connections.
- 9.08.050 Security Deposit--Amount.
- 9.08.060 Security Deposit--Interest and Refunds.
- 9.08.070 Late Payment Charge.

9.08.010 Monthly Rates Generally. The following rates and charges are established for the use of and service rendered by the water utility of the city:

<u>Monthly Usage Charge</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
First 20,000	\$ 0.92
Next 280,000	0.72
Next 1,700,000	0.63
Over 2,000,000	0.58

Monthly Service Charge in  
Addition to Monthly Usage Charge

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Charge</u>
5/8"	\$ 1.74	3"	\$17.37
3/4"	2.12	4"	24.13
1 "	2.61	6"	35.71
1-1/2"	4.92	8"	53.08
2 "	6.76	10"	71.41

Surcharges for Fire Protection Service to Non-city tax-paying customers:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Charge</u>
5/8"	\$ 0.77	3"	\$14.48
3/4"	1.16	4"	19.30
1 "	1.69	6"	28.95
1-1/2"	3.62	8"	43.43
2 "	5.07	10"	57.90

Indiana University - \$1,129.05/month

9.08.020 Contract Sales for Resale. The rates for contract sales for resale shall be \$0.59 per 1,000 gallons.

9.08.030 Municipal Hydrant Rates. The annual hydrant rate inside the city shall be \$143.79 for each hydrant owned and operated by the city.

9.08.040 Private Fire Connections. Private fire connection rates shall be as follows:

<u>Size</u>	<u>Per Connection</u>	
	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
4" and under	\$ 4.00	\$ 48.25
6"	11.58	138.96
8"	24.13	289.50
10"	43.43	521.10
12"	69.48	833.76

9.08.050 Security Deposit--Amount. (a) If a new applicant for residential water service fails to establish credit-worthiness according to the criteria established in Rule 10 of the Rules, Regulations, and Standards of Service for the Water Utility, a security deposit not to exceed \$20.00 may be required.

(b) If a present residential customer has been mailed disconnect notices for two (2) consecutive months or any three (3) months within the preceding twelve (12) month period or has had service disconnected because of non-payment, a security deposit not to exceed 1/6 of the expected annual billing for the customer at the address at which service is rendered may be required.

(c) If a business or commercial applicant for water service fails to establish credit-worthiness according to Rule 10 of the Rules, Regulations and Standards of Service for the Water Utility, a security deposit not to exceed 1/6 of the estimated annual cost of service may be required.

9.08.060 Security Deposit--Interest and Refunds. (a) Security deposits held more than nine (9) months shall earn interest from the date of deposit at a rate of 6% per annum.

(b) Security deposits and any accrued interest shall be promptly refunded upon satisfactory payment by the customer for a period of nine (9) consecutive months or upon the customer's proof of credit-worthiness, provided that the customer did not make late payments for any two (2) consecutive months.

9.08.070 Late payment charge. Except as otherwise provided, all bills shall be due and payable monthly and bills unpaid more than twenty-five (25) days following the date of mailing shall be delinquent. Delinquent bills of residential customers shall include a late payment charge of 3% of the unpaid bill. Delinquent bills of commercial customers shall include a late payment charge of 3% of the unpaid bill for the first month plus 2% of the total delinquency for each month the bill remains delinquent.

#### Chapter 9.12

#### WATER SERVICE CHARGES

##### Sections:

- 9.12.010 Service Charges Generally.
- 9.12.020 Service Call Charge.
- 9.12.030 Service Installation Charge.
- 9.12.040 Meter Test Charge.
- 9.12.050 Inspection Charge.
- 9.12.060 Dual Meter Charge.

9.12.010 Service Charges Generally. All charges for the services rendered by the water utility that are specified in this chapter are based on residential service to 5/8" meters. Charges for non-residential service and for services not specified in this chapter shall be computed on the basis of the amount of time and nature of service rendered.

9.12.020 Service Call Charge. (a) A service charge shall be collected for all service calls involving turning service on and off except when an account is closed. A service charge shall be collected for all other service calls in excess of one free call per year, including calls involving rereading meters at a customer's request and inspection for leaks, but such charge shall not be collected if the call was necessitated by an error of the utility.

(b) The charge for all service calls during normal business hours shall be \$7.50 per call and \$18.50 during overtime hours.

9.12.030 Service Installation Charge. (a) The charge for service installation within the city that requires tapping a distribution main and installing tubing and a meter shall be \$230.00. The charge for service installation within the city that requires only tubing and a meter be installed shall be \$166.00.

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(b) The charge for service installation outside the city that requires tapping a distribution main and installing tubing and a meter shall be \$340.00

9.12.040 Meter Test Charge. (a) The utility shall make a free test of the accuracy of a meter upon written request by a customer and a second free test may be requested twelve (12) months subsequent to the first test. The fee for all meter tests requested within thirty-six (36) months after the preceding test shall be \$12.50 if the meter is found not to be at fault.

(b) The utility shall test a meter under the supervision of an employee of the Public Service Commission upon application to the Commission by the customer and formal notice to the utility by the Commission. The fee for meter tests upon application to the Commission shall be \$21.00 when the meter is found not to be at fault.

9.12.050 Inspection Charge. All inspections of new mains during normal business hours shall be free of charge. All inspections of new mains during overtime hours shall be based on the amount of time required for the inspection.

9.12.060 Dual Meter Charge. The charge for installation of dual meters shall be the charge specified in Section 9.12.030 for the first meter and \$97.00 for the second meter.

Chapter 9.16

FLUORIDATION

Sections:

- 9.16.010 Authorization.
- 9.16.020 Records.

9.16.010 Authorization. The Utilities Service Board of the city is authorized to provide the means for and to proceed with the addition of sufficient quantities of a fluoride compound to the public water supply of the city water department to bring the total amount of fluoride ions present in the furnished water to the optimum concentration recommended by the Indiana State Board of Health.

9.16.020 Records. The water department shall keep an accurate record of the amount of fluoride-bearing chemical applied and the quantity of water treated and shall conduct such analytical tests to be made for fluoride in the treated water as shall be directed by the Indiana State Board of Health.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 3 day of May, 1979.

Tomilea Allison  
Tomilea Allison, President  
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:  
Karel Dolnick  
Karel Dolnick, City Clerk

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 10 day of May, 1979 at the hour of 11:00 o'clock, a.m.

Karel Dolnick  
Karel Dolnick, City Clerk

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 11th day of May, 1979.

Francis X. McCloskey  
Francis X. McCloskey, Mayor  
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This ordinance would codify those sections of the Rules, Regulations and Standards of Service for the Bloomington Water Utility adopted by the Utilities Service Board on March 26, 1979 that involve penalties and fees, with the remainder of the new rules being approved by the Council in Resolution 79-12. The ordinance also repeals and re-enacts Title 9 of the Municipal Code to include the old chapters on water rates and fluoridation.

I HEREBY MOVE THAT  ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_ APPROPRIATION

ORDINANCE # 79-31, ENTITLED TO Repeat and  
RE-Enact Title 9 of the BMC, Entitled  
"Water"

BE INTRODUCED AND READ FOR FOR FIRST READING BY TITLE  
ONLY AT THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4-19-79

John F. Richardson  
(Signature)