

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-9

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN
CODE OF MARKLE TO MODIFY EXISTING RATES
AND CHARGES FOR THE USE OF CERTAIN SERVICES
RENDERED BY THE SEWAGE WORKS OF THE TOWN OF MARKLE**

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Markle, Indiana, heretofore adopted, and thereafter amended, Town Code of Markle ("Code") establishing a schedule of rates and charges to be collected by the Town of Markle from owners of the property served by its Sewage Works, and

WHEREAS, the rates in effect under the aforementioned Code are determined by the Town Council after review and consideration to be inadequate to provide for the operation of that Sewage Works, and

WHEREAS, the enabling statutes of the State of Indiana require that rates and charges be collected for the use of services rendered by that Sewage Works shall be fixed by ordinance and finally adopted after due notice and public hearing, and

WHEREAS, following such notice and hearing, the Town Council of Markle has determined that an amendment is advisable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MARKLE, INDIANA, in a meeting duly assembled, that the presently effective schedule of the Town's Sewage Works rates and charges as set out in §51.011; §51.115 and §51.117 of the Code should be, and those Code Sections are hereby, deleted and replaced by the following:

§ 51.011 TAP FEE.

The tap fee for each hook-up, after the completion of construction of the system, shall be as follows:

	<u>Effective Upon Adoption</u>
(A) For any 5/8" – 3/4" hook-up:	\$830.00

	<u>Effective Upon Adoption</u>
(B) For over 1" hook-up:	\$1,105.00

(C) In addition to the above tap fees, if the hook-up involves some extraordinary excavation, construction, material, or labor costs, then a reasonable surcharge can be added.

§ 51.115 METERED WATER USERS – SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES.

- (A) The sewage rates and charges shall be based on the quantity of water used on or in the property or premises subject to such rates and charges, as the same is measured by the water meter there in use, except as herein otherwise provided.
- (B) Notwithstanding the provisions of division (A) of this section, every user shall be charged for a minimum usage per month of 1,000 gallons whether or not they use any water.
- (C) For the purpose of billing and collecting the charges for sewage service, the water meters shall be read monthly (or period approximating a month).
- (D) Water Usage Schedule. The water usage schedule on which the amount of the rates and charges shall be determined is as follows:

- (1) Treatment Rate. Per 1,000 gallons of usage per month:

<u>All Users</u>	<u>Rate per 1,000 gallons/month</u>	
	(Effective Upon Adoption)	(Effective January 1, 2019)
Operation, Maintenance, and Replacement Charge	\$3.22	\$3.70
Local Capital Charge	2.42	2.79

- (2) Collection System Maintenance Charge. Per meter, per month.

<u>Water Meter Size</u>	<u>Monthly Charge</u>	
	(Effective Upon Adoption)	(Effective January 1, 2019)
5/8 – 3/4 inch	\$ 12.05	\$ 13.87
1 inch	30.10	34.64
1-1/4 inch	66.23	76.22
1-1/2 inch	66.23	76.22
2 inch	120.42	138.58
3 inch	276.96	318.72

- (E) Billing Charge. Per month, all users shall pay an additional billing charge as follows:

<u>Monthly Charge</u>	
(Effective Upon Adoption)	(Effective January 1, 2019)
\$1.33	\$1.53

- (F) Non-Water-Metered Residential Rate is as follows:

<u>Monthly Charge</u>	
(Effective Upon Adoption)	(Effective January 1, 2019)
\$42.35	\$48.74

- (G) For the services rendered to the Town, said Town shall be subject to the same rates and charges herein above provided, or to charges and rates established in harmony therewith.
- (H) In order to recover the cost of monitoring industrial wastes, the Town shall charge the user the actual cost of monitoring. This charge will be reviewed and revised on the same basis as all other rates and charges in this Ordinance.”

§ 51.117 MULTIPLE USERS.

- (A) In the event two or more residential lots, parcels of real estate, or buildings discharging sanitary sewage, water, or other liquids into the Town’s Sanitary Sewage System, either directly or indirectly, are users of water and the quantity of water is measured by a single water meter, then in each such case, for billing purposes, the quantity of water used shall be averaged for each user and the base charge, the flow rates and charges, and minimum charges shall apply to each of the number of residential lots, parcels of real estate, or buildings served through the single water meter.
- (B) In the event two or more dwelling units such as mobile homes, apartments or housekeeping rooms discharging sanitary sewage, water, or other liquids into the Town’s Sanitary Sewage System, either directly or indirectly, are users of water and the quantity of water is measured by a single water meter then, in such case, billing shall be as follows:

- (1) The sum of the cost of 1,000 gallons of water used per month, as follows:

<i>Rate per 1,000 gallons/month</i>	
(Effective Upon Adoption)	(Effective January 1, 2019)
\$5.64	\$6.49

PLUS:

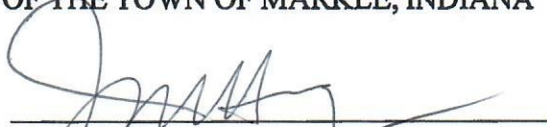
- (2) A collection system maintenance charge multiplied by the number of dwelling units measured by said single meter. A dwelling unit shall be interpreted as a room or rooms or any other space or spaces in which cooking facilities are provided.”

<i>Collection System Maintenance Charge</i>	
(Effective Upon Adoption)	(Effective January 1, 2019)
\$12.05	\$13.87

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect for the first billing period to commence after the adoption of this Ordinance, and for all billing periods thereafter, pending further action by this Council.

Passed and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Markle, Indiana on the 17th day of January, 2018.

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MARKLE, INDIANA



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