

ORDINANCE NO. 722

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SEWER RATE SCHEDULES OF ORDINANCE NO. 652 PASSED ON APRIL 17, 2014, AND TO REPEAL SAID PREVIOUS ORDINANCE.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE HILL, NEBRASKA:

An ordinance establishing rates and charges for sewer service in the City of Blue Hill, NE; prescribing the manner of collection and payment of such charges; declaring such charges to be a lien upon the premises served; establishing a sewer maintenance fund of said City; directing the deposit in said fund of such rates and charges, as collected.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the City of Blue Hill, NE that the following user charge system be established:

Article I.

Section 1: For the purpose of paying the costs of maintenance & operation of the sanitary sewer system, of the City of Blue Hill, NE there shall be established, fixed, and imposed upon the users of said system, rates and charges for sewer service in said City.

The sewer use fee for each customer shall be based upon the winter quarterly water usage from normal monthly utility and trash billing periods of meter reading dates on or around the 15th of November through on or around the 15th of the following February, updated yearly following the Feb 15th reading.

The rates and charges to be levied against the individual users shall be computed as follows:

Class # 1 This rate applies to 5/8" — 3/4" water meters:

Monthly customer service charge:	\$ 7.50
All usage / month	\$ 0.0025 / gallons

Class # 2 This rate applies to 1" water meters.

Monthly customer service charge:	\$ 11.00
All usage / month	\$0.0025 / gallon

Class # 3 This rate applies to 1 1/2" water meters.

Monthly customer service charge:	\$ 15.50
All usage / month	\$0.0025 / gallon

Class # 4 This rate applies to 2" water meters.

Monthly customer service charge:	\$ 19.50
All usage / month	\$0.0025 / gallon

Class # 5 This rate applies to 3" water meters.

Monthly customer service charge:	\$ 28.50
All usage/ month	\$ 0.0025/ gallon

Class #6 This rate applies to the Blue Haven Mobile Home Park.

Monthly customer service charge:	\$ 7.50 (multiply by occupied lots)
All usage / month	\$0.0025 / gallon

Accounts outside the city limits of Blue Hill, Nebraska shall be assessed an additional 15% surcharge on monthly customer service charge.

In no case shall the monthly customer service charge for sewer service based upon the above schedule of rates on a monthly basis as above stated be less than the amounts stated for each class. No discounts will be allowed.

A basic minimum move-in rate of 4167 gallons shall be paid by consumers who have moved into any of the above user classes until winter quarterly water usage can be established, or people whose status is inactive during the winter months.

Section 2 : The charge shall be levied to each property served by the sanitary sewer and shall be included with the statement for water and electric service. In the event that a property receives sewer service but does not receive water service, the charge for sewer service shall be the class # 1 sewer charge times the number of sewer connections of that user.

Where a customer has multiple sewer connections to the City main but only one water meter, the sewer charge shall be the sum of the class multiplied by the number of sewer connections to the City main plus the unit charge for all water usage.

Section 3: Each user charged for sewer service shall pay to the City Clerk at the City Office the amount due said City for sewer use charge. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to render statements for said sewer service each month in the same manner and at the same time as she is required to render statements to the City water and electric users.

Section 4: The Mayor and City Council shall have the power, by resolution, to establish fair and reasonable special assessments to the sewer users of said City to apply only in special cases which are not covered by the schedule of rates adopted in this article.

Section 5: If the user shall neglect or refuse to pay their bill in accordance with billing procedures set forth herein, the municipality shall have the right to discontinue service, following due notice and opportunity for hearing.

Section 6: If a customer shall, for any reason, order the service discontinued or shall vacate the premise, the amount due, together with any fees and charges in arrears, shall be considered as a delinquent sewer rental, which is hereby declared to be a lien upon the premise or real estate for which, or from which, the sewer was used or supplied, and upon the refusal of the customer to pay the said delinquent sewer rental, it shall be collected by being placed upon the assessment roll and tax books for collection.

ARTICLE II

Section 1: This ordinance shall go into effect with the billing period of meter readings on or about August 15, 2021 to September 15, 2021.

Section 2: Any ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict here-with, are hereby repealed.

Section 3: Passed and adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Hill, Nebraska, on the 13th day of July, 2021 and the vote was as follows, and so recorded:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:

Mayor

City Clerk

