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ORDINANCE NO. 683

AN ORDINANCE FIXING RATES FOR WATER AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 667 AND ANY OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SYRACUSE, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Syracuse rates for water service and water usage are established as follows:

- A. The rates within the City limits of the City of Syracuse are established as follows:
 - i. The minimum rate for each water service shall be \$11.00 per month which shall include usage of up to 5000 gallons of water.
 - ii. There shall be an additional monthly charge of \$1.40 per thousand gallons, as determined by the meter, for water used in excess of 5000 gallons used each month.
- B. In the event that the City of Syracuse agrees to provide any water service outside of the City limits, which is solely a discretionary decision that can be revoked at any time, then in that event the following rates for such service are established as follows:
 - i. The minimum rate for each water service except as provided herein shall be \$17.50 per month which shall include usage of up to 5000 gallons of water.
 - ii. There shall be an additional monthly charge of \$1.50 per thousand gallons as determined by the meter, for water used in excess of the 5000 gallons used each month.
 - iii. The rate for water service for the cemetery, golf course, baseball and softball field shall be \$11.00 per month for the water service and the first 5000 gallons used and \$1.40 per thousand gallons used in excess of 5000 gallons per month.
- C. The rate set forth herein shall be increased on April 1, 2016, and on April 1 of each year thereafter by 3%.

SECTION 2. Every consumer occupying property not his own shall make a guarantee deposit of \$75.00 before water will be supplied from the waterworks system of the City. No service shall be granted to any such consumer until the required deposit is made and such amount shall be refunded by the City, whenever the service is discontinued, provided, that all bills have been paid and the meter is not damaged except by ordinary wear, provided further that any such deposit for services within the City limits or outside the City limits where such service is available may at any time be applied to pay all or part of any water bills not paid within fifteen (15) days of billing and may be applied to reimburse the City for the costs of repair to any meter.

SECTION 3. Within the City limits; water, sewer, and refuse services are all to be billed together and none of the three (3) services may be discontinued without discontinuing all three (3) services.

SECTION 4. For consumers outside the legal boundary of the City, the water and sewer, if available, shall be billed together and no service available may be discontinued without discontinuing all such available services. The City of Syracuse in its sole discretion may discontinue any such service at any time.

SECTION 5. That Ordinance No. 667 and any other or parts of ordinances fixing rates for water or that are in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall be in force and take effect on March 11, 2015, or as soon thereafter as it is published in the Syracuse Journal.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 9TH DAY OF MARCH, 2015.

Dustin Doze
MAYOR

ATTEST:
Linda Dinkel
CITY CLERK