

VILLAGE OF FOLSOM
STATE OF LOUISIANA

**ORDINANCE AMENDING FOLSOM CODE OF ORDINANCES
CHAPTER 16, "WATER AND SEWER,"
ARTICLE B, "WATER REGULATIONS, POLICIES AND RATES"**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Folsom, State of Louisiana that the Village of Folsom, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 16 "Water and Sewer," Article B "Water Regulations, Policies and Rates" be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE B, WATER REGULATIONS, POLICIES AND RATES

Section 16.11 Turning on water.

(a) No water from the municipal water supply shall be turned-on for service into any premises by any person but the municipal maintenance supervisor or someone authorized by the municipal maintenance supervisor to perform this service.

(b) Where water service has been cut-off or disconnected for non-payment of a bill or where water service has been temporarily disconnected at the request of a customer or owner, a reconnection fee shall be added to the water bill.

Section 16.2 Application.

Application to have water service turned-on shall be made in writing to the municipal clerk.

Section 16.3 Deposit.

A deposit shall be made with each application and the deposit shall be retained by the municipality to ensure payment of charges for water service. When service to the applicant has been permanently discontinued, the deposit, less any amount due for water service, shall be refunded without interest.

Section 16.4 Plumbing.

No water shall be turned-on for service in premises in which the plumbing does not comply with the code, provided that water may be turned-on for construction work in unfinished buildings, subject to the code.

Section 16.15 Service installation; fees; resale; tampering.

(a) No water shall be resold or distributed by a recipient of the municipal water supply to any premises other than the premises for which application has been made, except in the case of emergency.

(b) It shall be unlawful for an unauthorized person to tamper with or alter any part of the municipal waterworks, the municipal supply system or water meters.

(c) The Board of Aldermen shall, by resolution, establish fees and charges for deposits, installation and services with respect to municipal water service.

(d) The Board of Aldermen shall, by resolution, establish billing cycles and due dates for services with respect to municipal water service.

(e) The Board of Aldermen shall, by resolution, establish penalties and charges for late payment and non-payment with respect to municipal water service.

(f) The Board of Aldermen shall, by resolution, establish reasons for discontinuation of municipal water service and procedures for discontinuation of municipal water service.

Section 16.16 Service pipes.

(a) All service pipes from the water mains to the premises served shall be installed by and at the cost of the owner of property to be served or the applicant for the service. The installation shall be under the inspection of the municipal maintenance supervisor.

(b) All repairs for service pipes and plumbing systems of buildings shall be made by and at the expense of the owners of the premises served. The municipality may, in the case of emergency, repair service pipes and assess the cost of repair to the owner of the premises served.

(c) Excavations for installing or repairing service pipes shall be made in compliance with the code provisions with respect to street excavation. The placement of a service pipe in the same excavation with any drain pipe or sewer pipe, or directly over any drain pipe or sewer pipe, is prohibited.

Section 16.17 Meters.

(a) All premises using the municipal water supply must be equipped with an adequate water meter furnished by the municipality but paid for by the consumer; provided that water service may be supplied at a flat rate of charge until a meter is installed. Before any premises are occupied or any municipal water service is provided, a water meter must be installed or application made for service at the flat rate of charge until the water meter is installed.

(b) Water meters shall be installed in accessible locations.

(c) The municipal maintenance supervisor will read or cause to be read each municipal water meter as required for regular and prompt delivery of bills for water service.

(d) Prior to the installation of water meters, the customer shall pay a deposit for each water meter installed. The amount of the deposit shall be determined by resolution of the Folsom Board of Aldermen.

(e) Removal or tampering with municipal water meters is prohibited. If reinstallation of a municipal water meter is required, the customer shall pay a reinstallation fee as determined by resolution of the Folsom Board of Aldermen.

Section 16.18 Rates.

The Folsom Board of Aldermen will, by resolution, establish charges for deposits, installation, service, maintenance and related fees and charges as required for the safe, efficient and economical operation of the municipal water system.

The Folsom Board of Aldermen may authorize discontinuation of water service to customers for non-payment of fees and charges.

The Folsom Board of Aldermen may authorize legal proceedings for collection of unpaid fees and charges.

Section 16.19 Turning off water.

Without specific authority from the Village of Folsom, no person shall disconnect or interfere with the flow of water in any municipal water main or water pipe.

Section 16.20 Water Users Agreement.

No municipal water service shall be provided unless a "Water Users Agreement" has been executed by the customer (or owner of the property) and Village of Folsom. The form of the "Water Users Agreement" shall be prepared by the Village of Folsom.

Section 16.21 Combined billing.

The Folsom Board of Aldermen may, by resolution, authorize water and sewer charges to be combined in a single bill.

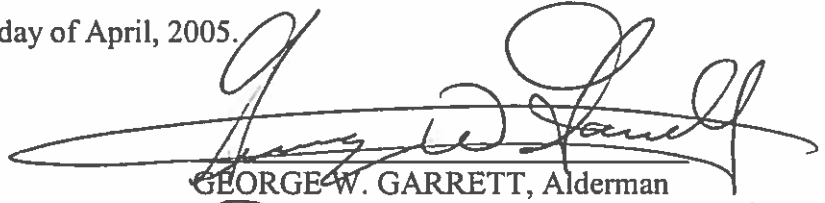
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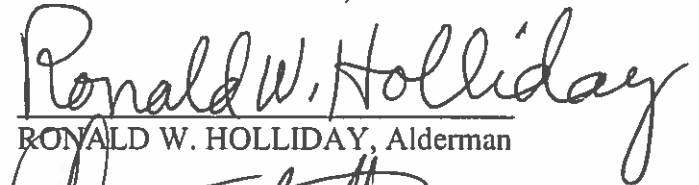
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END OF ARTICLE B, WATER REGULATIONS, POLICIES AND RATES

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect on and after its promulgation.

Folsom, Louisiana this 11th day of April, 2005.


GEORGE W. GARRETT, Alderman


RONALD W. HOLLIDAY, Alderman


JOHN T. MATHIES, Alderman

Approved:

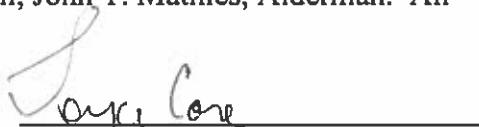
VILLGAE OF FOLSOM

By:


MARSHELL BRUMFIELD, Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, Joyce Core, certify that the above is a true and correct extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Folsom Board of Aldermen held at the Town Hall in the Village of Folsom, Louisiana on April 11, 2005. Present: Marshall Brumfield, Mayor; George W. Garrett, Alderman; Ronald W. Holliday, Alderman; John T. Mathies, Alderman. All present voted year and there were no nays.


JOYCE CORE, Municipal Clerk