

**BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
ORDINANCE NO. 11-2021**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG, COUNTY OF  
SUSSEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AND  
SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 16 "WATER AND SEWER" TO  
INCREASE WATER RATES AND CERTAIN FEES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Ogdensburg ("Borough") operates and maintains a community water system; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:31-10, the Borough desires to raise water rates to generate sufficient revenues from the services it provides to fund its cost of operation, maintenance, debt service charges, and to establish a surplus in an amount sufficient to provide for the reasonable anticipation of any contingency that may affect the operation of the utility; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough also desires to clarify, update, and amend certain provisions pertaining to water meter repair and replacement costs, and water turn-on/shut-off charges; and

**WHEREAS**, in furtherance of the foregoing, the Borough of Ogdensburg wishes to amend and supplement Chapter 16 of the Code of the Borough of Ogdensburg ("Code") entitled "Water and Sewer" related to water rates and fees as set forth in this Ordinance; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, in the County of Sussex and State of New Jersey that Chapter 16 of the Borough Code entitled "Water and Sewer" is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

**SECTION I.** Section 16-6.3 entitled "Water Rates" is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety as follows:

**CHAPTER 16. Water and Sewer**

**§ 16-6.3. Water Rates.**

- a. A charge of \$55.94 shall be the minimum fee or charge made for each quarter of the year; cycle billing will be issued for each quarter for each individual water line serviced by a separate meter while the same is in use and supplying water, regardless of the quantity used, or whether none at all. Such minimum charge shall prevail unless the service line has been shut off because of vacancy of the premises or otherwise provided for in this chapter.
- b. \$55.94 shall be paid for any quantity of water consumed on the premises served through one meter up to 5,000 gallons per quarter.
- c. All water consumed over 5,000 gallons for each quarter serviced through any meter shall be paid for at the rate of \$7.06 per 1,000 gallons above the minimum 5,000 gallons.

**SECTION II.** The second full paragraph of Section 16-5.1 entitled "Required" is hereby deleted in its entirety as follows:

**CHAPTER 16. Water and Sewer**

**§ 16-5.1. Required.**

~~The Borough shall impose a charge of current replacement cost plus installation to cover the cost of repairs and replacement of meters which are damaged by the homeowner.~~

**SECTION III.** Section 16-5.2 entitled "Damage to Meters" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

**CHAPTER 16. Water and Sewer**

**§ 16-5.2. Damage to Meters.**

Water meters will be maintained by the Borough so far as ordinary wear and tear are concerned. However, the property owner shall be solely responsible for all damage caused to water meters, whether due to freezing or any other cause. In the event a water meter is damaged, the property owner shall pay a penalty fee in the amount of \$100.00, plus the retail cost of the meter and costs of labor, material, and equipment incurred for replacing or repairing the meter.

**SECTION IV.** Section 16-11.9 entitled "Turn-On Charge" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

**CHAPTER 16. Water and Sewer**

**§ 16-11.9. Turn-On Charge.**

A fee in the amount of \$100.00 shall be paid by the property owner for all requests for discontinuance of service and/or turn-on water service beyond normal business hours (7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.), except in the event of an emergency or circumstances beyond the control of the property owner.

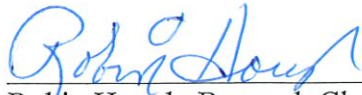
A fee in the amount of \$100.00 shall be paid by the property owner for water shut-off due to nonpayment of bills.

**SECTION V.** If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION VI.** In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Borough, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other ordinances of the Borough are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

**SECTION VII.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

Attest:



Robin Hough, Borough Clerk



George P. Hutnick, Mayor

**NOTICE**

**TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg on October 25, 2021 and will be considered for final passage after public hearing at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg to be held on Monday, November 8, 2021 at 7:00PM in the Municipal Building, 14 Highland Ave., Ogdensburg, New Jersey, and shall take effect according to law.

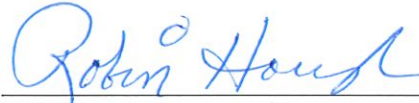


Robin Hough, RMC

**BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG  
LEGAL NOTICE  
ORDINANCE 11-2021**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG, COUNTY OS SUSSEX,  
AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHPATER 16  
“WATER AND SEWER” TO INCREASE WATER RATES AND CERTAIN FEES.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the above Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, held in the Municipal Building on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021, and the same came up for final passage at a meeting of the said Borough Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021, at which time, after persons interested were given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, the same was passed and will be in full force in the borough according to law by order to the Borough Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, County of Sussex and State of New Jersey.



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Robin Hough, RMC/CMR