**ORDER SETTING WATER SERVICE RATES AND TAP FEES**

 **ADOPTING RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING DISTRICT'S**

 **WATERWORKS SYSTEM AND ADOPTING GENERAL POLICIES WITH**

 **RESPECT TO DISTRICT'S SYSTEMS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Wickson Creek Special Utility District (the "District") deems it appropriate to establish and consolidate all the District's rates, fees, rules, regulations, and policies with respect to its waterworks system (the "System") into one Order;

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WICKSON CREEK SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT THAT:

**I. Connections to District's Waterworks System**

1. Connections Made by the District: All water taps and inspections shall be made by the District's employees or agents.

B. The District will provide service after an application has been approved, easement granted, and fees paid.

C. Installation: The District will provide service when an applicant pays the applicable fees which include a refundable security deposit, in the amount of $100.00, **that shall not** **bare interest**. **Deposit is refundable upon discontinuance of service**. **Each meter requires a separate deposit.**  If service has never been provided to the property, a new tap fee must be paid.

 If service has been previously provided, a re-service fee will be charged. (See “F”)

D. Fees: **Standard 5/8 x 3/4 Meter:**

Security Deposit $100.00

New Service Labor $225.00

New Service Materials $375.00

Total $700.00

Plus any cost of road bore/line extension.

**1” Meter:**

Security Deposit $100.00

New Service Labor $225.00

New Service Materials $375.00

1” Materials $500.00

Total $1,200.00

**Meter Larger Than 1”:** Cost To Be Determined Upon Request for Service

1. Service connections for non-standard meters will be charged based on actual cost when requested.
2. Re-service Fee –(applies to locations that currently have service or where service has previously been provided)

 Labor, Materials & Administrative $ 100.00

 Security Deposit $ 100.00

 Total $ 200.00

1. Reconnection Fee**:** $50.00
2. Returned Check Fee:$30.00
3. Activation of Temporary Service: 1 Day $50.00, each additional day $10.00
4. Meter Test Upon Written Request:$40.00 If test is within American Waterworks Association Standards for Accuracy charge will be applied to account, but if meter is faulty or inaccurate, cost adjustment s shall be made.

**2. Rates**

The following rates and charges for the sale of water shall be in effect for residential, church, and commercial customers within the District from the effective date of this order.

**R-1 Classification** - **5/8" to 3/4" Residential Meter**

Gallons Used Rate

0 $25.00 minimum per month

0-15,000 $3.25 per 1,000 gallon

15,000-30,000 $3.50 per 1,000 gallon

>30,000 $4.50 per 1,000 gallon

**R-2 Classification - Meter for a non-profit, non- residence, non- irrigation**

Gallons Used Rate

0-15,000 $3.25 per 1,000 gallon

15,000-30,000 $3.50 per 1,000 gallon

>30,000 $4.50 per 1,000 gallon

**R-5 Classification**- **5/8” to 3/4"Residential Meter double rate- Grimes County**

Gallons Used Rate

0 $50.00 minimum per month

0-15,000 $3.25 per 1,000 gallon

15,000-30,000 $3.50 per 1,000 gallon

>30,000 $4.50 per 1,000 gallon

**R-6 Classification-** **5/8” to 3/4" Residential Meter triple rate- Grimes County**

Gallons Used Rate

0 $75.00 minimum per month

0-15,000 $3.25 per 1,000 gallon

15,000-30,000 $3.50 per 1,000 gallon

>30,000 $4.50 per 1,000 gallon

**C-1 Classification** –**Meters 1” and larger**

Gallons Used Rate

0 $42.25 minimum per month

0-15,000 $3.25 per 1,000 gallon

15,000-30,000 $3.50 per 1,000 gallon

>30,000 $4.50 per 1,000 gallon

**C-2 Classification** – **Meters 2” and larger**

Gallons Used Rate

0 $250.00 minimum per month

0-15,000 $3.25 per 1,000 gallon

15,000-30,000 $3.50 per 1,000 gallon

>30,000 $4.50 per 1,000 gallon

**Summer Rate: May – September**

Gallons Used Rate

0-15,000 $3.25 per 1,000 gallon

15,001-30,000 $3.50 per 1,000 gallon

30,001 – 50,000 $6.00 per 1,000 gallon

 50,001 – and over $10.00 per 1,000 gallon

1. **Bulk Water on Temporary Meter :**

$250.00 Monthly Minimum/ No Water Included

$6.50 per 1,000 gallons

**Bulk Water for Political Subdivisions (Brazos County and Grimes County) and Contract Water Purchasers (City of Bryan and Wellborn SUD) will be billed at the same rate as provided in the Purchase Agreement with the City of Bryan.**

**III. Delinquent Accounts**

1. Customers paying after the due date will be charged a $5.00 late fee
2. A second notice will be sent approximately 15 days after the original billing date.
3. The disconnection of service for nonpayment will be implemented approximately 45 days after the billing date. The General Manager may grant extensions, exceptions, and payment plans for accounts greater than 45 days past due. The District reserves the right to institute suit for the collection of any amounts due and unpaid, together with interest, at the maximum legal rates and reasonable attorney fees.

**IV. Rules and Regulations Governing System**

The Board hereby adopts the attached Service Extension Policy, which is described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes.

**V General Policies**

A. Definitions of Connection. Each residential unit occupied by a separate family, including separate apartments located within a single building, and each business unit occupied by a separate business, including separate establishments within a single building, shall be deemed to be a separate connection for the purposes of this Order.

B. All Services Charged. At no time shall the District render water services without charge to any person, firm, corporation, or organization. However, abnormal water bills caused by water line breakage not due to customer negligence can be considered by the General Manager for reduction provided:

 1. The bill is $500.00 above their average bill for the previous 12 months.

 2. The break is verified by the District.

 3. One reduction every two years.

 The General Manger may refer any abnormal bills to the Board of Directors for their consideration.

C. Other Utilities. Prior to installing underground cables in the area of District water supply lines, representatives of utility companies shall contact the District operation to file such companies' construction plan and schedule and to review the engineering plans illustrating the location of the District lines.

D. Denial of Service. The district may deny service for the following reasons:

1. Failure of the applicant or transferee to complete the required forms.

2. Failure of the applicant to grant the District an easement in the name of

 the District.

3. Failure of the applicant to comply with rules, regulations, policies, and bylaws of the District.

4. Existence of a hazardous condition at the applicant's property which would jeopardize the welfare of the customer/users of the District upon connection.

5. Existence of inadequate facilities, as determined by the District or the District’s Engineer, for the connection of the applicant's requested tap to the District's system.

6. Failure of applicant to meet other applicable regulations of various municipal, county, state, or federal agencies having jurisdiction over the use of the District's facilities; and/or

7. Failure of applicant to provide proof of ownership, to the satisfaction of the District, of property for which the tap has been requested.

E. Statement of Responsibility. The District does not accept liability for damages caused by service interruptions due to waterline breaks by utility or like contractors, tampering by other users of the District, other events beyond the District's control, or for normal failures of the System.