ORDINANCE 2023-12

SEWER UTILITY ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF GENEVA, INDIANA AMENDING CHAPTER 53 OF THE GENEVA TOWN CODE INCLUDING PROVISIONS REGARDING THE CHARGES TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY SERVED BY THE TOWN OF GENEVA MUNICIPAL SEWAGE UTILITY AND THE BILLING AND ADJUSTMENTS TO BILLING THEREOF

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Geneva ("Town") heretofore enacted Ordinance No. 2019-2 providing for the establishment of a schedule of rates and charges to be collected by the Town from the owners of property served by the Geneva Municipal Sewage Utility; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1975-01 was amended by Ordinance No. 1980-03, and further amended by Ordinance No. 1983-06, and further amended by Ordinance No. 1996-6, and further amended by Ordinance No. 2006-2, and further amended by Ordinance No. 2009-13, and further amended by Ordinance No. 2013-11; and further amended by Ordinance No. 2017-06; and further amended by Ordinance No. 2019-2; and last amended by Ordinance No. 2020-1; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town now finds it is necessary after a rate study completed by Baker Tully Municipal Advisors for the Town to amend the rates and charges contained in said Ordinance as amended in order to provide for sufficient revenue to operate and maintain the Geneva Sewage Utility; now therefore,

THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Geneva, Adams County, Indiana, that chapter 53 of the Geneva Town code be modified as follows:

CHAPTER 53

Section 53.20

(a) The sewage rates and charges shall be based on the quantity of water used on or in the property or premises subject to such rates and charges, as the same is measured by the water meter in use, plus a base charge based on the size of the water meter installed, except as herein otherwise provided. For the purpose of billing and collecting the charges for sewage services, the water meters shall be read monthly and the users shall be billed each month (or periods equaling a month). The water usage schedule on which the amount of said rates and charges shall be determined shall be as follows (rates and charges for customers Outside Corporate Town boundaries are approximately 14.9% higher than rates and charges for customers Inside Corporate Town boundaries):

TREATMENT RATE (per 1,000 gallons)

Inside Town Limits \$6.89 Outside Town Limits \$7.92

BASE RATE (per month)

Inside Town Limits
\$ 23.08
54.83
124.85
213.57
489.09
870.27
1,950.40
Outside Town Limits
\$ 26.52
63.00
143.45
245.39
561.96

NON-METERED USER (per month)

6-inch

Inside Town Limits

2,241.01

\$64.45

Outside Town Limits

\$74.05

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall in no way affect any other provisions, clause, or phrase contained in Ordinance No. 2019-2 as amended, and in all other respects, said Ordinance 2019-2 as amended by this Ordinance is hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 3. The rates set forth in this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect as of January 1, 2024.

Duly adopted by the Town Council of Geneva, Adams County, Indiana, on this 8th day of August, 2023.

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1st Reading:

July 11, 2023

2nd Reading: August 8, 2023