

ORDINANCE

TOWN OF CLINTON

An ordinance Adjusting All Rates for the Town of Clinton – Sewerage System

Whereas, Operating & Maintenance expenses has reached a level that present rate structure does not ensure TOWN OF CLINTON, CLINTON, LOUISIANA adequate revenue to continue maintaining the sewerage in a safe and reliable manner as in the past;

Whereas, present rate structure does not adequately provide revenue to offset increasing expenses associated with regulatory compliance;

Whereas, Board wishes to use best efforts to continue to provide its customers with a safe, reliable sewerage system while also providing them with services at a competitive price;

Now, therefore, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON the following ordinance, which shall become effect **September 1, 2024**.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 4002 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (LRS 33:4002) and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, the following rates and charges are hereby levied and established for the use of and services rendered by the sewerage system to each lot or parcel of real estate or building that is connected with or in any way uses or is served by the system:

Residential rate and charge:

First 2000 gallons, minimum charge	\$16.90
Per Thousand Gallons thereafter	\$2.50

Commercial rate and charge:

First 2000 gallons, minimum charge	\$19.50
Per Thousand Gallons thereafter	\$6.00

The rate change shall become effective **September 1, 2024**, and will automatically increase in January of each year, with the next increase beginning January 1, 2026 and the increases will cease after five years. The Town of Clinton will then revisit the need for an additional rate increase. The increase will be 3%. This amendment applies to sewer rates. The sewer rate increases will be as follows:

Class	Current Base Rate	Per 1000 gallons	Proposed Base Rate	Per 1000 gallons	Year 1 Base Rate	Per 1000 gallons	Year 2 Base Rate	Per 1000 gallons	Year 3 Base Rate	Per 1000 gallons	Year 4 Base Rate	Per 1000 gallons	Year 5 Base Rate	Per 1000 gallons
Residential	\$13.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 16.90	\$ 2.50	\$17.41	\$ 2.58	\$17.93	\$ 2.65	\$18.47	\$ 2.73	\$19.02	\$ 2.81	\$19.59	\$ 2.90
Commercial	\$15.00	\$ 1.50	\$ 19.50	\$ 6.00	\$20.09	\$ 6.18	\$20.69	\$ 6.37	\$21.31	\$ 6.56	\$21.95	\$ 6.75	\$22.61	\$ 6.96

Note: All reconnect fees, shut-off fees, or any other fees not specifically addressed in this resolution per the Town of Clinton, LA, will stay at the same rate presently established.

REPEALER: All ordinances, resolutions or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SEVERABILITY: If any section, provision, or part of this resolution shall be adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof, not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

This ordinance was introduced, by Alderman Blackledge at a duly called meeting on June 18, 2024, thereafter, published in accordance with La. R.S. 33:406, and called for final passage by Alderman Beauchamp at which the following votes were cast:

Yeas: Beauchamp Betrece Blackledge Dunaway Young

Nays: None

Absent: None

This Ordinance was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Alderman on the 13th day of August, 2024 and thereafter presented to the Mayor on the 13th day of August 2024.

By: Anjanetha Shropshire

Anjanetha Shropshire
Town Clerk

This Ordinance was approved on the 13th day of August 2024 by me, Mayor, and delivered to the Town Clerk on the 13th day of August 2024.

By: Mark L. Kemp
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Mayor, Town of Clinton