

Introduced by the Utilities Committee

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-23

AN ORDINANCE TO SET UTILITIES COLLECTION POLICY AND FEES

Be it ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Hillsboro, State of Ohio, that

SECTION ONE:

Section _____ of the Hillsboro Code of Ordinances is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§ _____ UTILITIES COLLECTION POLICY AND FEES.

- (A) Water and sewer customers of the City shall be subject to the following fees for services:
- (1) Disconnect and Reconnect Fees: A fee shall be assessed for any water meter disconnect in the amount of \$30; and a fee of \$30 shall be assessed for any water meter reconnect
 - (2) All ~~new water and sewer customers~~ shall pay a \$150 deposit which shall be used to cover any unpaid balance due for water and sewer services.
 - (3) If payment is made by a check that is dishonored, the check shall be forwarded to the Hillsboro City Police Department for investigation. An additional charge of \$30 shall be assessed upon the customer for costs associated with the processing of the bad check.
- (B) No contractor shall commence work on any sewerage or water lines in the city unless such contractor shall have purchased a current Water and Sewer Specification Book from the utilities department at a cost of \$25 per book. The clerk of the utilities department shall keep a current list of all persons having previously purchased the said specifications book and give notice to those persons at the last known address in the event of any changes to the book.
- (C) In the event a single family residential dwelling is purchased to be divided into apartments for more than one residential dwelling, or into one or more dwellings and businesses, the following are required:
- (1) Owner must insure that all existing service lines are adequate, and, in the event they are insufficient, new taps must be purchased.
 - (2) Each unit must have a separate accessible shutoff valve to which readers must have 24-hour access.
- (D) In all multiple apartment dwellings contained within the same building with one curb shutoff and no accessible individual shutoffs, the customer account shall be carried solely in the name of the landlord record title-owner of the property who shall be responsible for the delinquent accounts of individual tenants.