

ORDINANCE NO. 897

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 744 AND SECTIONS 13.08.010, 13.08.011 AND 13.08.020 OF THE CLEARWATER MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING MONTHLY WATER CHARGES AND TANK WAGON WATER RATES AND ADDING SECTION 13.04.045 CONCERNING WATER METER TEST FEES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS:

Section 1. Section 13.08.010 of the Municipal Code of the City of Clearwater, Kansas shall be amended to read:

13.08.010 Monthly Water Charges.

A. Rate

1. The minimum charges for water in the city shall be eleven (11) dollars per month for the first two thousand gallons used during said month at each customer connection or per household unit served and fourteen (14) dollars per month for those customers connections outside the city limits and shall entitle said customer to two thousand gallons of water.
2. For amounts from two thousand gallons to five thousand gallons of water used in any month, the charge shall be three dollars and seventy-five cents (\$3.75) per thousand gallons.
3. For amounts from six thousand gallons to ten thousand gallons of water used in any month, the charge shall be four dollars and twenty-five cents (\$4.25) per thousand gallons.
4. For any amounts above ten thousand gallons of water used in any month, the charge shall be four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$4.75) per thousand gallons.

B. Prorated partial month

The above charges shall be prorated on the customer's first and final bills as follows: 1 day to 10 days, customer shall be charged for 10 days; 11 days to 20 days, customer shall be charged for 20 days; 21 days or more, customer shall be charged for the entire month.

Section 2. Section 13.08.011 of the Municipal Code of the City of Clearwater, Kansas shall be amended to read:

13.08.011 Annual increase - changes of monthly charges.

The rates identified in Section 13.08.010 Part A.1. shall increase by one percent (1.0%) each year beginning with the billing for the reading in January, 2010, and shall increase every January thereafter by 1% of the then current minimum charge.

Section 3. Section 13.08.020 of the Municipal Code of the City of Clearwater, Kansas shall be amended to read:

13.08.020 Tank Wagon Water Rate. (Bulk Rate)

The tank wagon rate for water shall be twelve (12) dollars per thousand gallons or portion thereof.

Section 4. Section 13.04.045 of the Municipal Code of the City of Clearwater, Kansas shall hereby be added:

13.04.045 Water meter test - request.

If a water user requests that his/her water meter be checked for accuracy, the user shall provide a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) cash deposit to the City. The meter in question will then be removed and tested to a comparable manufacturer's certified meter. If the tests prove the meter to be accurate, the deposit is forfeited for costs. If the meter proves to have been giving inaccurately high readings, a new water meter will be installed, and the water bill will be adjusted to an average of the three lowest readings of the current year or of the previous year.

Section 5. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective after adopted by the City Council, approval of the Mayor, and publication once in the official city paper.

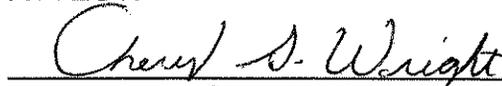
PASSED BY THE GOVERNING BODY AND SIGNED BY THE MAYOR THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2008.

SEAL



Michael Justice, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cheryl Wright, City Clerk