ORDINANCE NO. 08-2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROSBYTON, TEXAS REPEALING AND REPLACING APPENDIX A, FEE SCHEDULE, ARTICLE A1.000 UTILITY RATES AND CHARGES, SECTION A1.001, MONTHLY CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE, AND SECTION A1.002, MONTHLY CHARGES FOR SEWER SERVICE, OF THE CITY OF CROSBYTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, INCREASING THESE CHARGES TO KEEP UP WITH INCREASING COSTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND PROVIDING A REPEALER.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Crosbyton, Texas has previously passed Ordinance No. 08-2013, as codified in the City's Code of Ordinances, setting fees and rates for certain services, including water and sewer fees; and

WHEREAS, due to the increase in expenses associated with maintaining and operating these utilities and in order to keep the utilities in good working condition, it has become necessary to increase the rates charged for such services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Crosbyton, finds the following utility rate increases are reasonable and necessary for the continued proper operation and maintenance of the City's utility systems and in the best interest of the public health, safety and welfare;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF CROSBYTON, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION I.

- A. Code of Ordinances, City of Crosbyton, Texas, Appendix A, Fee Schedule, Article A1.000 Utility Rates and Charges, Sec. A1.001, Monthly charges for water service, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
 - (a) Residential inside:
 - (1) Minimum 2,000 gallons: \$55.00.
 - (2) All over 2,000 gallons: \$4.25 per thousand.
 - (b) Residential outside:
 - (1) Minimum 2,000 gallons: \$60.00.
 - (2) All over 2,000 gallons: \$4.75 per thousand.
 - (c) Elected officials, employees, firemen, WRMWD board representatives inside rate:
 - (1) Minimum 15,000 gallons: \$55.00.
 - (2) All over 15,000 gallons: \$4.25 per thousand.
 - (d) Employees, firemen, WRMWD board representatives outside rate:

- (1) Minimum 15,000 gallons: \$60.00.
- (2) All over 15,000 gallons: \$4.75 per thousand.
- B. Code of Ordinances, City of Crosbyton, Texas, Appendix A, Fee Schedule, Article A1.000 Utility Rates and Charges, Sec. A1.002, Monthly charges for sewer service, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
 - (a) Residential inside:
 - (1) Minimum 2,000 gallons: \$16.00.
 - (2) All over 2,000 gallons: \$19.00.
 - (b) Residential outside:
 - (1) Flat charge: \$19.00.
 - (2) All over 2,000 gallons: \$0.40.
 - (c) Commercial:
 - (1) Flat charge: \$19.00.
 - (2) All over 2,000 gallons: \$0.40.

SECTION II.

Replealer. All other terms and provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crosbyton, not in conflict herewith and not hereby amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III.

<u>Severability</u>. If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances for any reason is held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid or for any reason unenforceable, the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or the application thereby shall remain in effect, it being the intent of the City Council of the City of Crosbyton, Texas in adopting this ordinance, that no portion thereof or provision contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by any reasons of unconstitutionality of any other portion or provision.

SECTION IV.

Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect for all utility bills issued for water and sewer service on or after October 1, 2024.

SECTION V.

<u>Open Meetings.</u> It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Gov't.

Code.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Crosbyton, Texas, on this the 20^{th} day of August, 2024.

Dusty Cornelius, Mayor

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Tracy Riley, City Secretary