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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 685 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNHISP OF NUTLEY, ENTITLED "WATER" AND, MORE SPECIFICALLY, ARTICLE I, REGULATIONS AND RATES.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nutley that Section 685, Article I, entitled "WATER USE REGULATIONS AND RATES", is hereby AMENDED as follows:

AMEND

SECTION 685-10(A)(1) WATER INSTALLATION FEES

A. Main Tap(s) and Supply Line(s)

1. The Water Department shall charge and will construct all new and/or upgrade/renewal taps from the water main to the curb stop for the following fees payable by the consumer:

| Size of Tap | Short Tap | Long Tap | |
|-------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| 3/4** | 3,000.00 | 4,500.00 | |
| 1" | 3,500.00 | 5,000.00 | |
| 2" | 4,500.00 | 6,000.00 | |
| Above 2" | TBD by Nutley | TBD by Nutley | |
| | Water Department | Water Department | |

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SECTION 685-10(F) ROAD OPENING FEE

F. No road shall be opened for a sewer, gas, water or any underground utility connection until after the expiration of five (5) years from the last date the Township paved the roadway. In addition to the charges referenced in this Article, the owner/contractor performing a new and or renewal water service shall be charged a fee of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to open the road.

The contractor performing the roadway opening is responsible for closing the road and applying appropriate asphalt or concrete upon completion of the work. The contractor shall pave the roadway from the centerline thence five (5) feet in either direction of the trench to the curb line. All backfill shall be completed with quarry process or crushed stone compacted every two foot in depth with appropriate compacting equipment. The contractor shall post with the Township a performance and maintenance bond totaling five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) which shall be refunded to the contractor one year after completion of the work provide that no maintenance and/or repairs were required to the site.

The owner, contractor, or plumber performing work within the Township roadway shall be responsible for all costs including but not limited to: traffic control, safety precautions, barricades, warning lights, steel plates and other necessary means to prevent accidents and maintain safe roadway condition and travel.

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SECTION 685-12 RATES FOR WATER SERVICE

The rates to be charged to consumers for water shall be established by the Township of Nutley Board of Commissioners and are as follows:

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A. Forty-five dollars and ninety-four cents (\$45.94) per 1,000 cubic feet per billing period;

B. Twenty-two dollars and ninety-seven cents (\$22.97) minimum charge per billing period for any part of the first 500 cubic feet.

In addition to the charge for water taken or consumed, there shall be levied a monthly maintenance fee, in accordance with the schedule(s) set forth below. As consideration for levying of such maintenance fee, the Township will assume full cost for the maintenance and repair of the water supply line from the water main to and including curb stop and the water meter without any additional cost to the consumer for maintenance and repair. Maintenance fee for private mains, private supply lines and fire lines shall only apply to the water meter and not the repair of the private mains, supply or fire lines.

Monthly Charge

| Meter Size | Monthly Maintenance Fee | Private Mains/Supply/Fire Meter Only |
|---------------|----------------------------|--|
| 5/8" | \$3.50 | \$2.00 |
| 3/4" | \$5.00 | \$3.50 |
| 1" | \$7.00 | \$4.25 |
| 1 1/2" | \$14.00 | \$8.25 |
| 2" | \$21.00 | \$12.50 |
| 3" | \$24.00 | \$15.00 |
| 4" | \$55.00 | \$31.00 |
| 6" | \$70.00 | \$41.00 |

The monthly charge shall be included in the periodic water bill to the property owner and shall be a lien on the real property.

When more than one occupant of a building is supplied with water through a single connection, the bill for the whole supply furnished by such single connection will be made to the owner in one amount and no partial payments therefor accepted. In case of non-payment, the water may be shut off notwithstanding one or more of the occupants may have paid his proportionate share to the owner.

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SECTION 685-18 (E) FIRE LINES AND SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

E. The following annual rates are hereby established for fire lines/sprinkler connections to the water system installed for the use of private persons, firms, corporations, or other entities.

| Supply Pipe Size | Annual Fee | |
|-------------------------|------------|--|
| up to 1" | \$115.00 | |
| 1-1/2" | \$175.00 | |
| 2" | \$300.00 | |
| 3" | \$575.00 | |
| 4" | \$850.00 | |
| 6" | \$1,350.00 | |

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SECTION 685-20 (C) WATER METERS

C. All necessary charges and expenses for the initial installation of a new water meter to a premise (new construction, accounts or water supply lines) shall be the responsibility of the owner of the property as per below fee schedule. Thereafter, in accordance with the monthly maintenance charge, the Township will, at its expense, repair, maintain and/or replace such water meter except where such meter has been damaged by the carelessness of the owner or occupant of the premises, in which event the cost of such repair shall be charged to the owner.

| Meter Size | Fee | |
|--------------|------------------|--|
| 5/8" | \$400.00 | |
| 3/4" | \$450.00 | |
| 1" | \$500.00 | |
| 1-1/2" | \$1,200.00 | |
| 2" and above | TBD by Nutley | |
| | Water Department | |

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that all other terms and conditions in Chapter 685 shall remain as heretofore set forth in the Code of the Township of Nutley, except where such a reading would not give meaning to and further the application of this amendment. In such case and in such event, the terms and conditions shall have a meaning consistent with the intent of this amendment; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the within ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2024, pursuant to law.

| Record of Vote | Commissioner Thomas J. Evans | Commissioner Mauro G. Tucci | Commissioner Joseph P. Scarpelli | Commissioner Alphonse Petracco | Mayor John V. Kelly, III |
|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Yes | X | | X | X | X |
| No | | | | | |
| Not Voting | | | | | |
| Absent/Excused | | X | | | |