ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE FIXING RATES FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE TOWN OF OAK GROVE, ARKANSAS; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

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WHEREAS, the Town of Oak Grove, Arkansas (the "Town") has determined that water facilities should be constructed (the "System"), in order that the Town and its inhabitants may have adequate and proper water facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town has had prepared by Consulting Engineers preliminary plans and estimates of costs, which are on file with the Town Recorder where they may be inspected by any interested person; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the costs will have to be paid from the proceeds of revenue bonds; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town to establish rates to be charged for the services of the System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Oak Grove, Arkansas:

Section 1. That the following monthly rates and charges which the Town Council hereby finds and declares are fair, reasonable and necessary minimum rates be, and they are hereby, fixed as water rates to be charged for services to be rendered by the System.

(a) Monthly Water Rates. The water usage of each customer shall be determined each month by meter measurement and the amount to be paid by each customer shall be computed on the basis of the following schedule of rates:

For the first 2,000 gallons of water consumption (or portion thereof) per month

For the next 3,000 gallons of water consumption (or portion thereof) per month

For the next 5,000 gallons of water consumption (or portion thereof) per month

For all monthly water consumption in excess of 10,000 gallons \$13.00 (minimum)

\$3.00 per 1,000 gallons

\$2.50 per 1,000 gallons

\$1.50 per 1,000 gallons

(b) Connection Fee. There shall be a connection fee for every customer who connects with the System as follows:

\$200

Prior to June 15, 1990	\$60
After June 15, 1990 but before construction of the System commences	\$150
After initial construction	

After initial construction begins but before lines are put into use

After initial lines are completed

equal to the sum of the following: (a) the actual cost plus 10%, but not less than \$200, plus (b) an administrative fee of \$10 per month for each month that has elapsed since the System was completed and put into use, but not to exceed \$600

<u>Section 2</u>. None of the facilities or services afforded by the System shall be furnished without a charge being made therefor.

Section 3. The operation of the System shall be on a fully metered basis, with a meter installed at each water connection and there shall be but one user on a single meter. All bills for water services shall be rendered in the net amount due. If any water bill is not paid within thirty (30) days after the bill shall be rendered, water services shall be disconnected.

<u>Section 4</u>. Each customer who hereafter connects with the System shall pay a meter deposit of \$20.00 for each meter installed. The meter deposit shall be retained to assure prompt payment of monthly water bills.

<u>Section 5</u>. Reconnection Charge. In the event any premises are disconnected from the System, the customer concerned, prior to reconnection, shall pay all delinquent charges together with a reconnection charge of \$25.00 for each reconnection of the premises to the System.

<u>Section 6</u>. That the provisions of this Ordinance are separable and if a section, phrase or provision shall be declared invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance. <u>Section 5</u>. That all ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED: 1991

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Mayor

Town Recorder

(SEAL)

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Town Recorder of the Town of Oak Grove, Arkansas, hereby certifies that the foregoing pages are a true and perfect copy of Ordinance No. <u>34</u>, adopted at a <u>require</u> session of the Town Council of the Town of Oak Grove, Arkansas, held at the regular meeting place in said Town at <u>7:00</u> o'clock p.m., on the <u>3</u> day of <u>January</u>, 1991, and that the Ordinance is of record in the Ordinance Record Book of the Town now in my possession.

GIVEN under my hand and seal on this <u>3</u> day of <u>January</u>, 1991.

Town Recorder

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