

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2017-4 CONCERNING  
UTILITY SERVICE SECURITY DEPOSITS**

WHEREAS, the City of Rockport, pursuant to Article II Section 3 of Ordinance No. 2017-4, An Ordinance Superseding Ordinance 1995-6, An Ordinance Adopting Rules, Regulations And Conditions Applying To Utility Service, And Superseding Ordinance 2011-7, And Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1995-5 Concerning Utility Reconnection Fees, And Superseding Ordinance No. 2017-2, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No 2011-7 Concerning Utility Reconnection Fees, requires a regular service security deposit fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for the water utility and Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for the wastewater utility, and if delinquent accounts have been associated with the customer, a service security deposit fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the water utility and One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the wastewater utility; and

WHEREAS, due to increased operating and maintenance expenses, the Common Council has determined that these fees are inadequate and should be increased.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA, as follows:

Article II Section 3 of Ordinance No. 2017-4, An Ordinance Superseding Ordinance 1995-6, An Ordinance Adopting Rules, Regulations And Conditions Applying To Utility Service, And Superseding Ordinance 2011-7, And Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1995-5 Concerning Utility Reconnection Fees, And Superseding Ordinance No. 2017-2, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No 2011-7 Concerning Utility Reconnection Fees, is hereby revoked in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3. Service Security Deposits

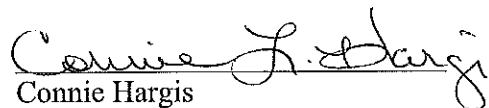
(a) A regular service security deposit fee is hereby established for both owner-occupied accounts and rental accounts in the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the water utility and One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the wastewater utility, except that, if there have been delinquent accounts associated with the customer, the service security deposit fee is hereby established in the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for the water utility and One Hundred Fifty dollars (\$150.00) for the wastewater utility. The utility shall have reasonable time in which to read and remove the meters and to ascertain that the obligations of the customer have been fully performed before being required to return any deposit.

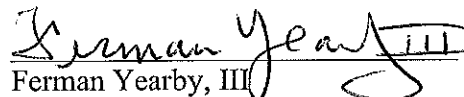
(b) Deposits shall be refunded without interest when the "LAST READ" statement has been paid.

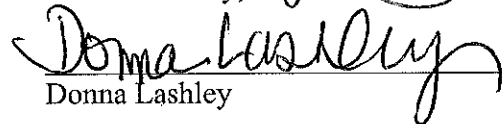
In all other respects, the security service deposit fee shall be governed by the provisions of Ordinance No. 2017-4 and Chapter 50 (Utility Service) of the City of Rockport, Indiana Code of Ordinances.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

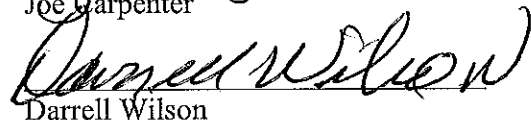
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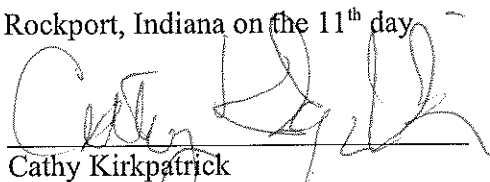
  
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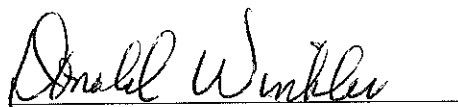
  
Joe Carpenter

  
Darrell Wilson

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Rockport, Indiana on the 11<sup>th</sup> day  
of June, 2020 at 5:50 o'clock p. m.

  
Cathy Kirkpatrick  
Clerk-Treasurer

Approved and signed by me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020 at 5:47  
o'clock p. m.

  
Donald Winkler, Mayor  
City of Rockport