

## ORDINANCE NO. 2023-2

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF BAILEY LAKES, ASHLAND COUNTY, OHIO, AMENDING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF BAILEY LAKES SEWER AND WATER SERVICE.

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Bailey Lakes provides water and sewage services to the residents of the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, Council created certain rules and regulations for the Village water and sewer system and implemented them as effective on April 22, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the Village of Bailey Lakes and of its citizens to amend said rules and regulations to establish an increase in the monthly water and sewer charge for residential and commercial use based on the recommendations and consideration by Village Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Revised Code authorizes council to assess water and sewer rents and fees for the purpose of paying the expenses of conducting and managing the water and sewer system for the Village of Bailey Lakes, including operating expenses and costs of permanent improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, an ordinance is necessary to increase the monthly water and sewer rates for residential and commercial customers, and

**WHEREAS**, it has been recommended that council increases the water and sewer rents and fees to cover the ongoing expenses for operating a public water and sewer system; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Village of Bailey Lakes, County of ~~Bailey Lakes~~, State of Ohio, as follows:

**Ashland**

**SECTION 1:** Section 1 of the Rules and Regulations of the Village of Bailey Lakes for Water and Sewer service are hereby as follows:

**Water Rate:** For residential and commercial uses, \$ 50.00 base rate per month for the first 2,000 gallons of water usage. The volume rate of \$ 6.00 for each thousand gallons of water over the 2,000 gallons of water usage is calculated to the nearest tenth of a thousand gallons.

**Water Only Rate:** \$ 50.00 rate per month.

**Sewer Rate:** \$ 50.00 base rate per month for the first 2,000 gallons of water usage for residential and commercial uses. The volume rate of \$ 6.00 for each thousand gallons of water over the 2,000 gallons of water usage calculated at the to the nearest tenth of a thousand gallons.

**Sewer Only Rate:** \$ 50.00 rate per month.

Council authorizes all acts necessary to implement and establish and collect such rates under the rules established by the Village Council.

**SECTION 2:** Beginning January of each year hereafter, all water and sewer base rate & volume rates shall increase 3% per year unless changed by the action of the village council.

**SECTION 3.** The remaining provision of the Rules and Regulations shall remain unchanged. The amended Rules and Regulations of the Village of Bailey Lakes for water and sewer service hereby supersede and replace any previous policies, rules or regulations regarding water and sewer service within the Village of Bailey Lakes. The property owners within the Village of Bailey Lakes are

responsible for being in compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Village of Bailey Lakes for water and sewer service and shall be subject to the conditions set forth therein beginning upon the effective date set forth.

**SECTION 4.** Council finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an opening meeting of Council and that all deliberations of Council that resulted in formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with the applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 5:** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the 3<sup>rd</sup> public reading of this Ordinance.

First Reading: November 13, 2023

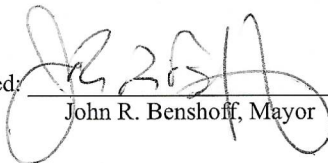
Second Reading: December 11, 2023

Third Reading: January 15, ~~2023~~ 2024

ROLL CALL:

<u>                    </u>	<u>yes</u> Anne Ramsthaler	<u>yes</u> Randy Ramsthaler
<u>yes</u> Dottie Scott	<u>No</u> Krissy Kauf	<u>yes</u> Tina Killion

Passed: January 15, ~~2023~~ 2024

Approved:   
John R. Benshoff, Mayor

Attest:   
Leighanna Cawrse, Fiscal Officer