

**VILLAGE OF HOSSTON
PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA
ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF 2024**

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston wishes to increase the existing water charges to all users to provide adequate revenue for presently anticipated operation, maintenance and debt service requirements of the Village's water system.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston in due regular and legal session, convened that the following ordinance was presented as follows:

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 8 OF 2019 FOR WATER INCREASE FOR ALL WATER CUSTOMERS.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED ORDINANCE NO. 8 OF 2019 OF THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCE SHALL BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(a) Each consumer of water from the Village of Hosston Water System of the town shall pay for water used from the Village of Hosston Water System as set forth in this section.

(b) The monthly rates to be charged to consumers of water from the Village of Hosston Water System shall be as follows:

WATER RATES	TYPE OF SERVICE	GALLONS
\$27.00	Minimum Residential	0 - 2000
\$5.50	Per Thousand Gallons of Metered Water	2001 - 99999999
\$40.00	Minimum Commercial/Business	0 - 2000
\$6.50	Per Thousand Gallons of Metered Water	2001 - 99999999
\$25.00	Bulk Water Per Thousand Gallons of Metered Water	0 - 99999999

(c) There shall be an automatic annual adjustment/increase of the water rates that shall be based upon the adjustment/increase as set forth by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) as defined by the U.S. Bureau of Labor certificates. This adjustment shall take effect on January 1st of each year, beginning January 1, 2025. Any rates adjusted shall be on file with the Town Clerk and water department of the Village of Hosston.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in the event said water charge is not paid by the 15th (fifteenth) day of the month, there will be a \$10.00 late fee added for failure to pay the said consumers water bill.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in the event said water charge is not paid by the 20th (twentieth) day of the month following the due date there will be a \$ 50.00 non-payment fee added to the consumers water bill.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in the event said water charge is not paid by the 26th (twenty-sixth) day of the month following the due date, the Village of Hosston is authorized to disconnect water service to said customer.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances, resolutions or other acts in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon approval.

First Reading: January 16, 2024 - Introduced and read by title and approved as read and set for Public Hearing on February 20, 2024, on motion by Alderman _____, seconded by Alderman _____.

Second Reading: February 20, 2024 – Having been approved on the first reading on January 16, 2024, and after publication of notice and a public hearing, was read by title, with a motion to approve as read by Alderman _____, seconded by Alderman _____ to adopt the ordinance, a record vote was taken and the result was as follows:

ALDERMAN	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT
Misti Banks			
Henry Blunt			
Vicki Carter			

THUS DONE, ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Board of Alderman of the Village of Hosston, Louisiana at a meeting of said public body, duly held and conducted on February 20, 2024, in the Village Hall for the Village of Hosston.

Hayden Linn, Town Clerk

Kim Jaynes, Mayor