Consolidated Water Ordinance 2024-1

AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE PROVISION AND USAGE OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICE BY THE TOWN OF ILIFF, COLORADO.

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff, Colorado, has made a thorough review of its existing Ordinances pertaining to water and sewer rates and policies;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff, Colorado, desires to enact a Water and Sewer Ordinance setting forth policies of the Town pertaining to water and sewer services; WHEREAS, the rates levied for water and sewer services must be calculated to meet the cost of providing water and sewer services, its related debt service, to avoid a deficit operating position, as well as for capital reinvestment and maintenance costs;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff will require every property owner of every property located in the Town of Iliff town limits to be connected to the Town of Iliff water and sewer and to pay nonrefundable connection fees and a transfer fee associated with the delivery of water and sewer service. No service will be connected prior to these fees being paid in full. Multiple residences on a single property will require separate water and sewer connections; WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff requires that once the water and sewer service is established, the property owner will be mailed a monthly bill;

WHEREAS, the Town has the authority to disconnect water service to those residents that do not pay their water bill as specified in this ordinance;

separate resolution;

WHEREAS, residents of the Town of Iliff may have short term guests who wish to connect a recreational vehicle to the Town of Iliff water system during their stay. The Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff has determined that regulations and fees are needed to protect the Town of Iliff water system, and recuperate the cost of additional temporary burden to the water system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TOWN OF

ILIFF, COLORADO:

- 1. From and after the date of the adoption of this Ordinance, water and sewer bills shall be established only in the name of the PROPERTY OWNER(S). All water and sewer service charges are the sole responsibility of the property owner. Multiple units on a single property with a single water and sewer connection installed prior to January 2022 will not be required to add additional separate utility connections.
- 2. From and after the date of the adoption of this Ordinance, water and sewer bills shall be due in the office of the Town Clerk on or before the 20th of each month.
- 3. If a consumer has not paid their bill by the 1st of the following month a \$25 fee will be added to their bill (as established in a separate resolution.)
- 4. After 30 days of non-payment the consumer's water/sewer will be shut off until the amount owed is paid in full, plus the reconnection fee (as established in a separate resolution.)
- 5. The Town is subject to the rules and regulations (promulgated by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission, codified at 4 Code of Colorado Regulations 732-5-13, as amended, and any future amendments thereto (the "Regulations")) for the Town's water services and subject to any and all deadlines, notifications, and actions prior to disconnecting any water and/or sewer account whose balance becomes past due. The Town of Iliff will not be held accountable for any damages that the property owner may incur due to water disconnection.

 6. If a leak is detected in water lines that are not the responsibility of the Town, if repairs are not initiated or completed by the property owner in a timely manner, the Town has the authority to disconnect water service until repairs are completed.
- 7. Obtaining water fraudulently and/or tampering with the water system shall be grounds for the discontinuance of service and/or legal recourse. Theft of water shall include, but is not limited to:
 - Opening curb stops which have been turned off
 - Removing or tampering with curb stop locks
 - Connecting to water lines with the intent of obtaining water fraudulently
 - Intentionally damaging water lines or other infrastructure related to the Town water and

sewer systems

-Water service turned on without permission, or by someone not officially designated by the Town, shall result in a fine, to be set by resolution. Both parties (property owner and person who turned water on without authorization) may be issued a citation and fined.

- 8. The name of the property owner(s) that appears on the account for water and sewer service shall be billed for payment of all charges. It is the owner's sole responsibility to provide the Town notice of any change in ownership. All water and sewer charges and fees shall be a lien upon the property furnished with the service, from the date such charges become due until such charges are paid in the full amount. The Town shall not be required to look to any person or entity other than the property owner for the payment of such charges. No change in ownership or occupation of the premises shall affect the application of this section. In the event such charges are not paid within 30 days after becoming due the Town Clerk may certify such delinquent payments to the Treasurer of Logan County. Such charges shall be collected in the same manner as the real property taxes on such premises, plus a ten percent penalty to defray the costs of collection.

 9. Property owners wanting to utilize town water for a camper, motor home, or rec vehicle shall request from the Town Clerk a temporary use permit ("TUP"). Such TUP shall be subject
- 9. Repealer: All other previous ordinances or parts of ordinances, and resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. (Including, but not limited to: #4-2004, #2-2005, #1-2018)

to the Town's TUP process and restrictions therein.

- 10. Emergency Declaration. The Board of Trustees hereby finds, determines and declares that an emergency exists and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public property, health, welfare, peace or safety. The Board further determines that the adoption of this ordinance as an emergency ordinance is in the best interest of the citizens of the Town of lliff.
- 11. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon adoption of this ordinance by the affirmative votes of at least three (3) members of the Board.

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INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, ADOPTED, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED I meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff, Colorado, held on	
TOWN OF ILIFF, COLORADO)
By:	
Kole Dennis, Mayor	
ATTEST:	
LuJean Zwirn, Town Clerk	
This ordinance was published in the	on the
day of, 2024.	

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