

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE No. 2016-28

By Jim Maxwell Sponsored By Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 311.02(a), METERS AND SERVICE TAPS; RATES, OF CHAPTER 311, WATER, OF TITLE THREE, PUBLIC UTILITIES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BERA TO PROVIDE FOR A METER INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE FEE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Berea intends to convert all water meters of its water customers to a remote water meter capable of being read without entry to the premises; and

WHEREAS, the conversion will benefit water customers by providing accurate and timely readings and better monitoring of water usage, and will not require City employees to enter the premises except to perform routine maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the water customer should be responsible for some of the costs associated with the Water Meter Replacement and Improvement Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Section 311.02(a), Meters and Service Taps; Rates, of Chapter 311, Water, of Title Three, Public Utilities, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Berea, which has heretofore read as follows:

(a) Meters Required. All premises using the City water supply must be equipped with an adequate water meter furnished by the City but paid for by the consumer. All premises provided with new connections on or after January 1, 1977, shall be equipped with a remote control water meter capable of being read without entry to the premises and furnished by the City but paid for by the consumer.

Before any premises are occupied, the required water meters shall be installed as herein required or no water shall be furnished such premises.

shall be, and is hereby amended to, read as follows:

(a) Meters Required; Meter Maintenance Fee.

(1) All premises using the City water supply must be equipped with a remote control water meter furnished by the City, but paid for by the consumer.

(2) The remote control water meter must be installed prior to the issuance of any occupancy permit. Water service will not be provided until such installation is complete.

(3) Effective July 1, 2016, a monthly fee of \$2.00 will be assessed to every customer utilizing the City water supply to pay the cost of the remote control water meter, installation of the meter, maintenance of the meter and other costs directly related to the program.

SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were approved in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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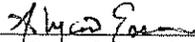
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SECTION 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare, or providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to avoid delay to the Water Meter Replacement and Improvement Program, as this upgrade is an essential part of the upkeep and maintenance of the water distribution system that serves the residents of the City of Berea. Therefore, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

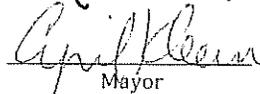
PASSED: March 21, 2016



President of Council

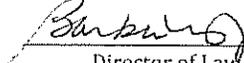
ATTEST: 
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: March 23, 2016



Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Director of Law