

ORDINANCE NO. 2004- 2

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A REVISED SCHEDULE
OF RATES AND CHARGES COLLECTED BY THE
TOWN OF WESTPORT, INDIANA FROM THE
OWNERS OF PROPERTY SERVED BY THE
SEWAGE WORKS OF SAID TOWN,
AMENDING ORDINANCE 1986-9 and 2000-2

WHEREAS, the Town of Westport has in operation sewage works for the purpose of collecting and disposing of the sewage of the town in a sanitary manner;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code 36-9-23-25, it is necessary to establish a new schedule of rates and charges in order to produce sufficient revenue to pay all expenses incidental to the operation of the sewage works, to provide a sinking fund, adequate money for working capital, and adequate money for improving and replacing the sewer works;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Town Council of the Town of Westport, Indiana:

Ordinance No. 1986-9 and Ordinance 2000-2 are amended as follows:

For the use of and the services rendered by the sewage works, rates and charges shall be collected from the owners of each and every lot, parcel of real estate or building that is connected with the Town sewage system or otherwise discharges sanitary sewage,

industrial wastes, water or other liquids, either directly or indirectly, into the sewage system of the Town of Westport. Such rates and charges include user charges, debt service costs, excessive strength surcharges and other service charges, which rates and charges shall be payable as hereinafter provided and shall be in an amount determinable as follows:

- (a) The sewage rates and charges shall be based on the quantity of water used on or in the property or premises subject to such rates and charges, as the same is measured by the water meter there in use, plus a base charge based on the size of the water meter installed, except as herein otherwise provided. For the purpose of billing and collecting the charges for sewage service, the water meters shall be read monthly and the users shall be billed monthly (or period equaling a month).
- (b) For users of the sewage works that are unmetered water users or accurate meter readings are not available, the monthly charge shall be determined as an average of single family dwelling units, except as herein provided. Sewage service bills shall be rendered once each month (or period equaling a month).

The water usage schedule for metered users and the schedule for unmetered users shall be determined as follows:

- (c) For the service rendered to the Town of Westport said Town shall be subject to the same rates and charges hereinabove provided, or to charges and rates established in harmony therewith.
- (d) In order to recover the cost of monitoring industrial wastes the Town shall charge the user the actual cost of monitoring but not less than \$25 per sampling event. This charge will be reviewed on the same basis as all other rates and charges in the ordinance.
- (e) The owner of any lot, parcel of real estate, or building connecting to the sewage works shall, prior to being permitted to make a connection, pay a connection charge in the amount of \$200.00 for each connection. The Council finds such a connection charge to be a reasonable and equitable pro rata cost of construction of a local or lateral sewer adequate to serve the property so connecting and the cost of providing a connection to the sewer, excavation, backfilling, pavement replacement and installation of sewer line from the sewer to the property line.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage. The rates and charges set herein shall become effective on the first full billing period after the adoption of this ordinance.

Adopted this 13th day of December, 2004.

Wm W Ray III
J. L. Power
Paul Stults

Barbara Hayden
Clerk-Treasurer

WESTPORT (INDIANA) MUNICIPAL SEWAGE WORKS

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RATES AND CHARGES

A. METERED USERS:

<u>Metered Rates Per Month</u>	<u>User Charge</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
Flow Charge, per 1,000 gallons	\$3.92	\$1.88	\$5.80

Monthly Base Charge

		<u>Monthly Base Rate</u>		
		<u>User Charge</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
5/8 - 3/4	inch meter	\$11.38	\$0.84	\$12.22
1	inch meter	14.75	2.13	16.88
1 1/4	inch meter	17.23	1.43	18.66
1 1/2	inch meter	22.14	4.89	27.03
2	inch meter	31.57	8.41	39.98
3	inch meter	60.75	19.41	80.16
4	inch meter	98.87	33.70	132.57
6	inch meter	213.30	76.70	290.00

B. UNMETERED USERS:

	<u>Per Month</u>		
	<u>User Charge</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
Single family residence/unit	\$29.02	\$9.26	\$38.28