

## *CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA*

### **ORDINANCE #09-43**

#### **AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #09-14 EXEMPTING CITY OF BETHEL WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE SERVICES FROM THE CURRENT 6% SALES TAX AND INCREASING THE RATES/FEEES CHARGED FOR CITY OF BETHEL WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE SERVICES BY A CORRESPONDING 6%**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bethel "City" operates water and sewer utilities to provide water and sewer services and a solid waste enterprise to provide solid waste services in Bethel;

**WHEREAS**, provision of such services to Bethel is in the best interest of the public;

**WHEREAS**, information included in ordinance #09-14 was based on an outdated version of the Bethel Municipal Code;

**WHEREAS**, reflecting accurate rate information ensures fairness when making rate adjustments;

**WHEREAS**, having enacted ordinance #09-14 produced an unintended rate reduction for piped customers;

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska; that:

**Section 1. Classification.** This ordinance is permanent and general in nature and shall be placed in the Bethel Municipal Code.

**SECTION 2. Amendment.** Sections 13.16.020 (A, B & G) and 13.16.030 (C) of the Code are hereby amended to read as follows (new language is underlined and deleted language is stricken out):

#### **13.16.020 Water service.**

A. Residential/commercial water delivery services for outside fill with an overflow involving the following capacities, frequencies and rate charges:

**UTILITY RATE SHEET**

CAPACITY	FREQUENCY	WATER		SEWER	
1750 Gallons	1 time per month	<del>84.75</del>	<u>89.84</u>	<del>43.20</del>	<u>45.80</u>
	2 times per month	<del>169.50</del>	<u>179.67</u>	<del>86.39</del>	<u>91.59</u>
	1 time per week	<del>339.01</del>	<u>359.35</u>	<del>172.78</del>	<u>183.17</u>
	2 times per week	<del>678.01</del>	<u>718.69</u>	<del>345.57</del>	<u>366.34</u>
	3 times per week	<del>1,017.01</del>	<u>1,078.03</u>	<del>518.35</del>	<u>549.51</u>
	4 times per week	<del>1,356.01</del>	<u>1,437.37</u>	<del>691.13</del>	<u>732.68</u>

B. Extra Call Rates

1. Residential/commercial extra call-normal hours will be as follows:

**EXTRA CALL RATE SHEET**

CAPACITY	WATER		SEWER	
1750 Gallons	<del>143.91</del>	<u>152.54</u>	<del>98.71</del>	<u>104.63</u>

G. Residential/commercial piped water rates:

1. Flat rate (nonmetered): ~~one hundred eighteen dollars~~ one hundred twenty five dollars and eight cents (\$118 \$125.08) per month per dwelling unit;
2. Metered service: ~~twenty five dollars~~ twenty six dollars and fifty cents (\$25.00 \$26.50) per one thousand (1,000) gallons;

**13.16.030 Sewer service.**

A. Evacuation Service.

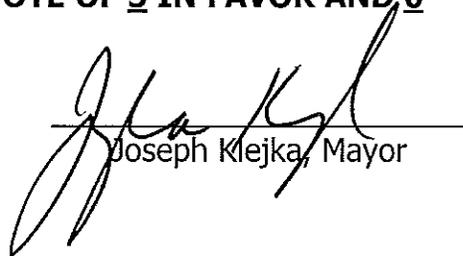
1. a. On schedule, per rates in the schedule in BMC 13.16.020 (A).
  - b. ~~Sewer rates are based on water tank size.~~ For sewer tank evacuations less frequent than water deliveries, sewer rate is determined from the sum of regular water deliveries between sewer tank evacuations. For sewer customers without water service, the sewer rate will be based on the size of the sewer tank.

G. Piped Sewer Service:

1. Flat rate (nonmetered service): ~~thirty two dollars~~ thirty-three dollars and ninety-two cents (\$32 \$33.92) per month per dwelling unit;
2. Metered service: ~~sixteen dollars and fifty cents~~ seventeen dollars and forty-nine cents (\$16.50 \$17.49) per one thousand (1,000) gallons.

**Section 3. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

**ENACTED THIS 22 DAY OF DECEMBER 2009 BY A VOTE OF 5 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED.**

  
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Joseph Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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Lori Strickler, City Clerk