

RESOLUTION 2015-07

A Resolution of the Four Corner County Water and Sewer District modifying charges for out of District service - Bulk water and Sewer Elk Grove

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Four Corners County Water and Sewer District adopted Operating Rules and Regulations to govern water and wastewater for the Four Corners County Water and Sewer District; and

WHEREAS, the Montana legislature requires that rates and charges are reviewed on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 9 of the Operating Rules and Regulations established that rates shall be set by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the present rates within the District have only been modified after notice and public hearing;

WHEREAS, the District in 2015 has undertaken the purchase of the Utility Solutions assets which provide service to the District and to Elk Grove Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the Elk Grove Subdivision is not within the boundaries of the Four Corners County Water and Sewer District and has not petitioned for annexation into the District. Further the rates for water and sewer service are established by the Montana Public Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, the District's commitment to all customers and land owners was that, as part of the acquisition, the District would not the rates and taxes levied; and

WHEREAS, the District stipulated with the Montana Consumer Counsel to not modify the rates charged to Elk Grove and the Stipulation was approve by the Montana Public Service Commission on October 6, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, the Four Corners County Water and Sewer District resolves to modify the Out of District service rates for Bulk Water and Sewer Service to Elk Grove as follows:

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Metered Bulk Water Service Elk Grove:

All residential and small commercial customers:

Customer charge.....	\$23.95/per month
Quantity charge for all usage per 1000 gallons or fraction thereof...	\$ 3.888

Metered Bulk Wastewater Service Elk Grove:

<u>Residential</u>	\$ 80.42 / per month
<u>Daycare</u>	\$ 281.47 / per month
<u>Commercial</u>	\$ 281.47 / per month

Special Rules of Service- Bulk water and wastewater to Elk Grove

Unauthorized use of service

Unauthorized use of service is defined as any deliberate interference such as tampering with the District’s meter, connections, equipment, seals, procedure or records that result in a loss of revenue to the company. Unauthorized service is also defined as reconnection of service that has been terminated, without the District’s consent.

Costs incurred to repair damage to the District owned property installed on the customer’s premises will be billed to the customer.

Charges for unauthorized use of service will be:

- a. time, material and transportation costs used in investigation and surveillance;
- b. Estimated charge for water;
- c. on-premises time to correct situation; and
- d. costs incurred to repair District owned property if any damage.

Reconnection of water and wastewater service

Water and/or wastewater service disconnected for unauthorized use of service shall not be reconnected until the customer furnishes satisfactory evidence of compliance with the District’s rules and conditions of service and paid all outstanding service charges.

Late payment fee

An account having a balance left unpaid for 30 days after the bill date is subject to a 1.05 late payment charge.

Temporary Disconnection

If service has been temporarily disconnected at the customer’s request, a reconnection charge of \$100 per meter will be paid before service is reconnected.

Disconnection / Reconnection

If service has been disconnected for non-payment, a reconnection charge of \$100 per meter will be paid before service is reconnected.

Permanent Disconnection

Customers who wish to have their water and/or wastewater service permanently disconnected, will be responsible for any and all costs associated with the physical disconnection of services lines from the District's system.

Multiple Users

In situations where more than one user is being provided with water or wastewater from a single service line, with a single shut-off device controlling the flow, and if any one or more of the water and/or wastewater users will not sign up for service or will not pay for that service, then the responsibility for payment of future water and/or wastewater charges must be assumed by the property owner until such time piping configuration has been modified to provide for an individual shut-off valves for each water user in order to prevent the service from being disconnected for non-signup or non-payment.

Failure to provide payment

Failure to provide payment or satisfactory arrangements for payment may result in total discontinuance of service even though one or more users may not be in arrears with their account.

Returned Check Fee

A fee of \$15.00 will be charged to any customer who presents a check or payment that is returned unpaid by the depository financial institution for any reason.

Refunds

Customer bills or refunds that total \$1.00 or less will not be issued.

Sprinkling

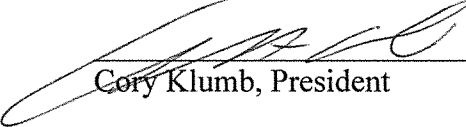
The District will specific the hours and days during which sprinkling will be permitted and will publish notice thereof in newspapers at the start of sprinkling season or whenever conditions require a change and will permanently post such notice within Elk Grove and at the District office.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of Four Corners County Water and Sewer Service assuming control and ownership of the water and wastewater facilities serving Elk Grove Subdivision, which is anticipated to be during the last two weeks of December, 2015.


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Dated this 2nd day of October, 2015.



Cory Klumb, President

ATTESTED:



Maralee Parsons Sullivan, Secretary