

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-3**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FORT BRANCH, INDIANA, INDIANA  
SCHEDULE OF RATES**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT BRANCH, INDIANA  
AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1: Water Rates.

(A) Metered Water Rates:

For the use of and services rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2019, the following rates shall apply:

(a)	<u>Metered rates per month</u>	<u>Rates per 1,000 gallons</u>
	First 3,000 gallons	\$8.28
	Next 2,000 gallons	\$7.30
	Next 1,500 gallons	\$6.23
	Next 3,500 gallons	\$5.49
	Next 6,500 gallons	\$4.62
	Next 15,000 gallons	\$3.82
	Next 35,000 gallons	\$3.07
	Over 66,500 gallons	\$2.61

(b) For the use of and service rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on the use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2019, the minimum charge per month shall be as follows:

<u>METER SIZE</u>	Minimum Monthly <u>Usage</u>	Minimum Charge <u>Per Month</u>
5/8 inch	3,000	\$24.84
3/4 inch	4,500	35.79
1 inch	7,500	54.28
1 ¼ inch	12,000	77.24
1 ½ inch	15,000	91.10
2 inch	24,000	126.68
3 inch	45,000	196.78
4 inch	75,000	284.97
6 inch	150,000	480.72
8 inch	240,000	715.62

For the use of and services rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2020, the following rates shall apply:

(a)	<u>Metered rates per month</u>	<u>Rates per 1,000 gallons</u>
	First 3,000 gallons	\$8.64
	Next 2,000 gallons	\$7.62
	Next 1,500 gallons	\$6.50
	Next 3,500 gallons	\$5.73
	Next 6,500 gallons	\$4.82
	Next 15,000 gallons	\$3.99
	Next 35,000 gallons	\$3.21
	Over 66,500 gallons	\$2.72

(b) For the use of and service rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on the use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2020, the minimum charge per month shall be as follows:

<u>METER SIZE</u>	Minimum Monthly <u>Usage</u>	Minimum Charge <u>Per Month</u>
5/8 inch	3,000	\$25.92
3/4 inch	4,500	37.35

1 inch	7,500	56.64
1 ¼ inch	12,000	80.61
1 ½ inch	15,000	95.07
2 inch	24,000	132.22
3 inch	45,000	205.48
4 inch	75,000	297.62
6 inch	150,000	501.62
8 inch	240,000	746.42

For the use of and services rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2021, the following rates shall apply:

(c)	<u>Metered rates per month</u>	<u>Rates per 1,000 gallons</u>
	First 3,000 gallons	\$8.81
	Next 2,000 gallons	\$7.77
	Next 1,500 gallons	\$6.63
	Next 3,500 gallons	\$5.84
	Next 6,500 gallons	\$4.92
	Next 15,000 gallons	\$4.07
	Next 35,000 gallons	\$3.27
	Over 66,500 gallons	\$2.77

(d) For the use of and service rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on the use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2021, the minimum charge per month shall be as follows:

<u>METER SIZE</u>	<u>Minimum Monthly Usage</u>	<u>Minimum Charge Per Month</u>
5/8 inch	3,000	\$26.43
3/4 inch	4,500	38.09
1 inch	7,500	57.76
1 ¼ inch	12,000	82.20
1 ½ inch	15,000	96.96
2 inch	24,000	134.86
3 inch	45,000	209.53
4 inch	75,000	303.38
6 inch	150,000	511.13
8 inch	240,000	760.43

For the use of and services rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2022, the following rates shall apply:

(e)	<u>Metered rates per month</u>	<u>Rates per 1,000 gallons</u>
	First 3,000 gallons	\$8.99
	Next 2,000 gallons	\$7.93
	Next 1,500 gallons	\$6.76
	Next 3,500 gallons	\$5.96
	Next 6,500 gallons	\$5.02
	Next 15,000 gallons	\$4.15
	Next 35,000 gallons	\$3.34
	Over 66,500 gallons	\$2.83

(f) For the use of and service rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on the use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2022, the minimum charge per month shall be as follows:

<u>METER SIZE</u>	<u>Minimum Monthly Usage</u>	<u>Minimum Charge Per Month</u>
5/8 inch	3,000	\$26.97
3/4 inch	4,500	38.87
1 inch	7,500	58.93
1 ¼ inch	12,000	83.87
1 ½ inch	15,000	98.93
2 inch	24,000	137.59
3 inch	45,000	213.80
4 inch	75,000	309.67
6 inch	150,000	521.92
8 inch	240,000	776.62

For the use of and services rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2023, the following rates shall apply:

(g)	<u>Metered rates per month</u>	<u>Rates per 1,000 gallons</u>
	First 3,000 gallons	\$9.17
	Next 2,000 gallons	\$8.09
	Next 1,500 gallons	\$6.90
	Next 3,500 gallons	\$6.08
	Next 6,500 gallons	\$5.12
	Next 15,000 gallons	\$4.23
	Next 35,000 gallons	\$3.41

Over 66,500 gallons \$2.89

- (h) For the use of and service rendered by the Water Works system of the Town based on the use of water supplied by said Water Works system, effective January 1, 2023, the minimum charge per month shall be as follows:

<u>METER SIZE</u>	<u>Minimum Monthly Usage</u>	<u>Minimum Charge Per Month</u>
5/8 inch	3,000	\$27.51
3/4 inch	4,500	39.65
1 inch	7,500	60.12
1 ¼ inch	12,000	85.56
1 ½ inch	15,000	100.92
2 inch	24,000	140.33
3 inch	45,000	218.09
4 inch	75,000	315.97
6 inch	150,000	532.72
8 inch	240,000	792.82

(B) Hydrant Rental. For the use and service of hydrant rental of the Town on per annum charges.

January 1, 2019	\$54.00;
January 1, 2020	\$56.00
January 1, 2021	\$57.00
January 1, 2022	\$58.00
January 1, 2023 and thereafter	\$59.00

(C) Private Fire Connection – per connection. For the use and service of private fire connections of the Town on per connection per annum charges.

Effective January 1, 2019	
1 inch connection	\$1.50
1 ¼ inch connection	2.34
1 ½ inch connection	3.38
2 inch connection	6.00
3 inch connection	13.50
4 inch connection	24.00
6 inch connection	54.00
8 inch connection	96.00

Effective January 1, 2020 and thereafter

1 inch connection	\$1.56
1 ¼ inch connection	2.43
1 ½ inch connection	3.50
2 inch connection	6.22
3 inch connection	14.00
4 inch connection	24.89
6 inch connection	56.00
8 inch connection	99.56

Effective January 1, 2021 and thereafter

1 inch connection	\$1.59
1 ¼ inch connection	2.48
1 ½ inch connection	3.57
2 inch connection	6.34
3 inch connection	14.28
4 inch connection	25.39
6 inch connection	57.12
8 inch connection	101.55

Effective January 1, 2022 and thereafter

1 inch connection	\$1.62
1 ¼ inch connection	2.53
1 ½ inch connection	3.64
2 inch connection	6.47
3 inch connection	14.57
4 inch connection	25.90
6 inch connection	58.26
8 inch connection	103.58

Effective January 1, 2023 and thereafter

1 inch connection	\$1.65
1 ¼ inch connection	2.58
1 ½ inch connection	3.71
2 inch connection	6.60

3 inch connection	14.86
4 inch connection	26.42
6 inch connection	59.43
8 inch connection	105.65

(D) Tap-Fees The tap-in fee for all water service shall be One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

(E) Late Payment Charges. All bills are due and payable by the last day of the month at the Fort Branch Town Hall to avoid disconnection of the water service. All bills from water service not paid by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month as stated on said billing card shall be subject to a late charge of 10% of the first \$3.00 and 3% of the balance in excess of \$3.00. This penalty has been pre-calculated by the computer and is shown on the billing card.

(F) Deposits. Deposits required of all new customers shall be \$200.00 per customer.

(G) Reconnect Charge. When the service is turned off for non-payment of bill, or whenever for any reason beyond the control of the waterworks a reestablishment of service is required by any on customer, a charge of \$50.00 will be made by the waterworks to cover the cost of discontinuance and reestablishment of service. The charge, together with any arrears due to the waterworks, shall be paid by the customer before service will be reestablished.

(H) Bad Check Charge. A charge of \$25.00 will be made to any customer who pays his bill by check which is returned to the utility because of insufficient funds.

Incorporating any and all language of Ordinance 2018-1.

Section 2: Sewage Rates:

(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). The water usage schedule on which the amount of the rates and charges shall be determined is as follows:

(1) Treatment rates per 1,000 gallons of usage per month.

On and after January 1, 2019

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users inside the corporate limits of the town is \$10.37.

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users outside the corporate

limits of the town is \$11.12.

On and after January 1, 2020

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users inside the corporate limits of the town is \$10.59.

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users outside the corporate limits of the town is \$11.35.

On and after January 1, 2021

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users inside the corporate limits of the town is \$10.80.

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users outside the corporate limits of the town is \$11.58.

On and after January 1, 2022

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users inside the corporate limits of the town is \$11.02.

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users outside the corporate limits of the town is \$11.81.

On and after January 1, 2023

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users inside the corporate limits of the town is \$11.24.

The treatment rate per 1,000 gallons of usage per month for users outside the corporate limits of the town is \$12.05.



(2) The base rate shall be as follows:

On and after January 1, 2019

MONTHLY BASE RATE

	Users Inside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>	Users Outside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>
<u>METER SIZE</u>		
5/8 – 3/4 inch	\$21.58	\$23.25
1 inch	46.77	50.87
1 ¼ inch	71.76	78.26
1 ½ inch	100.34	109.53
2 inch	172.04	189.00
3 inch	389.38	426.95
4 inch	673.83	738.90
6 inch	1,526.51	1,674.65

On and after January 1, 2020

MONTHLY BASE RATE

	Users Inside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>	Users Outside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>
<u>METER SIZE</u>		
5/8 – 3/4 inch	\$22.03	\$23.74
1 inch	47.75	51.94
1 ¼ inch	73.27	79.90
1 ½ inch	102.45	111.83
2 inch	175.65	192.97
3 inch	397.56	435.92
4 inch	687.98	754.42
6 inch	1,558.57	1,709.82

On and after January 1, 2021

MONTHLY BASE RATE

	Users Inside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>	Users Outside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>
<u>METER SIZE</u>		
5/8 – 3/4 inch	\$22.47	\$24.21
1 inch	48.71	52.98
1 ¼ inch	74.74	81.50
1 ½ inch	104.50	114.07
2 inch	179.16	196.83
3 inch	405.51	444.64
4 inch	701.74	769.51
6 inch	1,589.74	1,744.02

On and after January 1, 2022

MONTHLY BASE RATE

	Users Inside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>	Users Outside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>
<u>METER SIZE</u>		
5/8 – 3/4 inch	\$22.92	\$24.69
1 inch	49.68	54.04
1 ¼ inch	76.23	83.13
1 ½ inch	106.59	116.35
2 inch	182.74	200.77
3 inch	413.62	453.53
4 inch	715.77	784.90
6 inch	1,621.53	1,778.90

On and after January 1, 2023

MONTHLY BASE RATE

Users Inside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>	Users Outside the Corporate limits of the Town of <u>Fort Branch, Indiana</u>
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METER SIZE

5/8 – 3/4 inch	\$23.38	\$25.18
1 inch	50.67	55.12
1 ¼ inch	77.75	84.79
1 ½ inch	108.72	118.68
2 inch	186.39	204.79
3 inch	421.89	462.60
4 inch	730.09	800.60
6 inch	1,653.96	1,814.48

(B) (1) For uses 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 schedule on which the rates and charges shall be determined is as follows:

On and after January 1, 2019

Inside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	\$68.40
Outside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	73.46

On and after January 1, 2020

Inside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	\$69.84
Outside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	74.99

On and after January 1, 2021

Inside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	\$71.23
Outside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	76.49

On and after January 1, 2022

Inside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	\$72.68
Outside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	78.01

On and after January 1, 2023

Inside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	\$74.13
Outside Town (assumes 4,515 gallons used per month)	79.59

(2) Unmetered non-residential single-family dwelling units shall be charged a rate to be determined by the town on an individual basis by applying the above metered rates to estimated usage and meter size.

(C) The service rendered to the town shall be subject to the same rates and charges

provided in this section, 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 \$25.00 per sampling event. This charge will be reviewed on the same basis as all other rates and charges.

(E) In the event two (2) or more dwelling units such as mobile homes, apartments or housekeeping rooms discharging laundry sewage or other liquids into the district's sanitary sewer system, either directly or indirectly, then each unit shall be assessed the normal residential user rate beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2016.

Incorporating any and all language of Ordinance 2016-7.

Section 3: Connection Fees. For the use and service of connection fees for Water and Sewer of the Town per connection.

The connection fee for connecting to the Town's Water System shall be as follows:

- A. Residential Use:
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|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Homes (Single-Family)           | \$ 800.00 |
| Homes (Duplex)                  | 1,600.00  |
| Apartments (per apartment unit) | 800.00    |
| Trailer Parks (per trailer)     | 800.00    |
- B. Institutional/Commercial/Industrial  
Minimum for average usage not to exceed  
6,000 gallons per month \$ 800.00

If average usage is over 6,000 gallons per month, a higher fee shall be charged based on \$800.00 per single family equivalent. Single family equivalent shall be defined as 6,000 gallons per month. The initial connection fee shall be based on estimated usage. The fee shall be adjusted after one year to reflect actual average usage. The formula for computing the connection fee for usage of more than 6,000 gallons per month is as follows: average monthly usage divided by 6,000 multiplied by \$800.00.

The connection fee for connecting to the Town's Sewer System shall be as follows:

- A. Residential Use:
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|---------------------------------|------------|
| Homes (Single-Family)           | \$2,000.00 |
| Homes (Duplex)                  | 4,000.00   |
| Apartments (per apartment unit) | 2,000.00   |
| Trailer Parks (per trailer)     | 2,000.00   |
- B. Institutional/Commercial/Industrial  
Minimum for average usage not to exceed  
6,000 gallons per month \$2,000.00

If average usage is over 6,000 gallons per month, a higher fee shall be charged based on \$2,000.00 per single family equivalent. The initial connection fee shall be based on estimated usage. The fee shall be adjusted after one year to reflect actual average usage. The formula for computing the connection fee for usage of more than 6,000 gallons per month is as follows: average monthly usage divided by 6,000 multiplied by \$2,000.00.

Incorporating Ordinance 1996-5 as written.

Required Notice Pursuant to IC 8-1.5-3-8.1

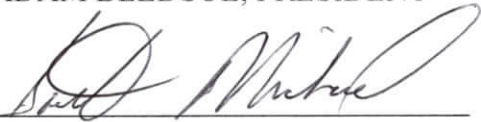
Following the adoption of the Ordinance, the users of the water and sewer utility located outside the corporate boundaries may be entitled to petition the commission under section 8.3 of this chapter to review and adjust rates and charges imposed on users if a petition under section 8.2 of this chapter or under IC 36-9-23-26.1 with respect to the same rate ordinance has not been filed.

Section 4: Inconsistent Ordinances. The provisions of all ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance be and hereby are repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the Town of Fort Branch, Indiana this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

TOWN COUNCIL OF FORT BRANCH, INDIANA

  
ADAM BLEDSOE, PRESIDENT

  
SCOTT MICHAEL, COUNCILMAN

  
TOM HAUSCHILD, COUNCILMAN

ATTEST (SEAL)

  
STACY ELPERS, CLERK TREASURER

