

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 21-2014 AND ORDINANCE 42-2014 TO  
PROVIDE A MODIFICATION TO THE VILLAGE SEWER RATES AND CHARGES**

WHEREAS, Brewster Village Council authorized Courtney and Associates of Findlay, Ohio to make an analysis of the ability of Village Sewer Rates and Charges to meet future costs required for the operations of the Village Wastewater Treatment facilities and collection system; and

WHEREAS, this analysis performed by Courtney and Associates found that projected revenues generated at the current Sewer Rates are insufficient to meet the revenue requirements of the operations of the Village Wastewater Treatment facilities and collection system; and

WHEREAS, Brewster Village Council desires to provide sufficient funding to address the revenues to meet operations of the Village Wastewater Treatment facilities and collection system

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BREWSTER, THAT:**

**SECTION 1:** As outlined in Ordinance 09-1992 it is required that every customer's water connection be metered, and that the components of each Village Wastewater Treatment customer's account will be based on that metering. The components of the monthly Billing for those metered accounts shall be increased by 20 % above the rates and charges adopted by Ordinance 21-2014 that were effective on January 1, 2018. The rate and charges increase in 2020 will begin with and be based on the customer's bill read or estimated in January of 2020 and reflected on the customer's February Sewer Bill.

	<b>2020</b>
Usage Fee per 1000 gallons of water used	\$ 3.64
A Service Charge	\$ 5.32
A Capital Charge.	\$ 29.34

A monthly Minimum is established for each active account and shall include the above Service Charge and the above Capital Charge. **The Monthly Minimum in 2020 shall be \$ 34.66**

**SECTION 2: An Automatic Increase in Sewer Fees and Charges**

A. Village Council hereby authorizes automatic increases of all sewer charges once per year, every year, beginning on January 1, 2021 and every year thereafter by a Fixed Percentage. This automatic increase shall apply to the Sewer Usage Fee, the Service Charge, the Capital Charge, and the Sewer Surcharge

B. The Fixed Percentage shall be 3.0 % unless Council approves an action to adjust this amount prior to the Automatic Increase Date. **Every three years a sewer rate study will be performed in a timely manner to provide Village Council with relevant information to allow them to conduct an informed review of the sewer rates and the financial stability of the Village sewer operations.**

C. The Automatic Increase shall be effective on January 1st of each year and be reflected on the customers' February Bills and be effective throughout that twelve-month period

**SECTION 3:** The revenue provided by the above Service Charge will be appropriated to the Sewer Replacement Fund each month. Said funds will be used for maintenance and replacement of sewer utility infrastructure as well as for future debt service, if needed.

**SECTION 4:** The revenue provided by the above Capital Charge will be appropriated to the Sewer Debt Fund each month. Said funds will be used to address any debt in the sewer utility.

**SECTION 5:** As outlined in Ordinance 21-1998 a Sewer Surcharge shall be levied for those users whose sewage has a greater strength than normal domestic sewage and shall be collected in addition to the normal user charges listed above. The surcharge is based on a formula from standards provided by the Ohio EPA with Suspended Solids (SS) and Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD) as the measured components. The surcharge for operation, maintenance, and replacement shall be increased by 20 % beginning with the customer's January Usage and shall be increased by 3.0% for the customer's January Usage every year thereafter.

	<b>2020</b>		<b>2020</b>
Per Pound of SS	\$ 0.336	Per Pound of CBOD	\$ 0.432

**SECTION 6:** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect beginning with the January 1, 2020 utility billing cycle.

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Mayor Michael E. Schwab

ATTEST:

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Village Clerk Treasurer K. Kris King

CERTIFICATE

I, K. Kris King, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an ordinance passed at a regular meeting of the Brewster Village Council held on October 7, 2019

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Clerk K. Kris King

I, K. Kris King, Clerk of the Council of the Village of Brewster, State of Ohio, do hereby certify that there is no newspaper printed in said municipality and that publication of the foregoing ordinance was duly made by posting true copies thereof at five of the most public places in said corporation as determined by Council as follows: Office of Brewster Utilities, Belloni's IGA, Brewster Federal Credit Union, Post Office and Brewster Laundromat.

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Clerk K. Kris King