

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-10

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSFIELD, KNOX COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS REGARDING THE RATES FOR WATER SERVICE**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Williamsfield, Illinois (“Village”) owns and operates a water-supply system, whereby it provides water utility services for its residents and nonresidents; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 11-129-6 of the Municipal Code provides, “Rates charged for water by such a municipality shall be sufficient at all times to pay the cost of operation and maintenance” of such a system (65 ILCS 5/11-129-6); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 11-129-10 of the Municipal Code provides that water rates “shall be established, revised, and maintained by ordinance” (65 ILCS 5/11-129-10); and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of its water-supply system imposes ever-increasing costs for the Village, and those costs are not being adequately covered by existing water rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsfield, Illinois, has determined that it is in the best interest of the Village to revise water rates as set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsfield, Knox County, Illinois as follows:

**Section 1:** The recitals hereinabove set forth are adopted and found to be true.

**Section 2:** Effective January 1, 2024, each recipient of water services shall be increased to the following rates:

A water consumption charge of \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons received; and  
A debt service charge of \$10.00 per month per customer.

Said charges shall automatically increase 3% effective January 1, 2025. Thereafter, said charges shall increase 3% effective January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.


All other charges for water service, not in conflict with the above, shall remain the same.

**Section 3:** This Ordinance is in addition to all other ordinances on the subject and shall be construed therewith excepting as to that part in direct conflict with any other ordinance, and, in the event of such conflict, the provisions hereof shall govern.

**Section 4:** This Ordinance is hereby ordered to be published in pamphlet form by the Williamsfield Village Clerk and the Village Clerk is hereby ordered to keep at least three (3) copies hereof available for public inspection in the future and in accordance with the Illinois Municipal Code.

**Section 5:** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption, approval and publication as provided by law, provided further, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as making the rate increases set forth herein effective before January 1, 2024.

PASSED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsfield, Knox County, Illinois, in regular and public session this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

  
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President

ATTEST:

  
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Village Clerk