

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE, OHIO ORDINANCE NO. 2026-03

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING UPDATED SEWER RATES FOR THE VILLAGE OF
HAMERSVILLE, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Village of Hamersville owns and operates a sanitary sewer system for the benefit of its residents and businesses;

WHEREAS, the Village must ensure that sewer rates are sufficient to cover the costs of operation, maintenance, repair, and future improvements to the sewer system;

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code § 735.271 and related provisions authorize a village to establish and adjust rates and charges for utility services;

WHEREAS, the Village Council has determined that it is necessary to establish and reaffirm a fair and sustainable sewer rate structure;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Hamersville, Ohio:

SECTION 1. SEWER RATES ESTABLISHED

(A) The minimum sewer charge shall be Seventy-Six Dollars (\$76.00) per billing period, which shall include usage of up to three thousand (3,000) gallons.

(B) All usage exceeding 3,000 gallons shall be billed at a rate of Nine Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$9.20) per each additional one thousand (1,000) gallons, or portion thereof.

SECTION 2. APPLICABILITY

These rates shall apply to all residential and commercial sewer customers unless otherwise provided by ordinance.

SECTION 3. ADMINISTRATION AND BILLING

The Village Administrator and Fiscal Officer are authorized to implement and administer these rates, including billing, collection, and enforcement.

SECTION 4. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

All prior ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the

extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time permitted by law.

SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE (OPTIONAL)

This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the Village and its residents, and shall take effect immediately upon passage.

READINGS & ADOPTION

First Reading: March 23, 2020

Second Reading: April 27, 2020

PASSED: May 5, 2020

Mayor: Justin Jones

Fiscal Officer: Michael Zahm