

AGENDA  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
GALION CITY COUNCIL  
March 2, 2023  
7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Roll Call

1. Approve Agenda
2. Legislation
  - a. Ordinance No. 2023-22  
Amending Ordinance No. 2023-20 (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
3. Adjournment

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-22**

**ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2023-20 ADOPTING AN UPDATED CONSOLIDATED FEE SCHEDULE FOR VARIOUS FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY OF GALION BY AMENDING PAGES 11 AND 12, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the City of Galion, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2008-50 adopted by Galion City Council on September 9, 2008, adopted a comprehensive fee schedule to replace Chapter 161 of the Galion Codified Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2011-9 adopted on February 8, 2011 Galion City Council established new building and zoning fees that were updated in the Consolidated Fee Schedule; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the above legislation, various ordinances have been passed establishing and updating fees contained in the Consolidated Fee Schedule; and

WHEREAS, a Consolidated Fee schedule document was approved by Ordinance No. 2023-20 that contained incorrect information on pages 11 and 12 reflected in the attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend pages 11 and 12 to reflect the updated information.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALION, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1: That this Council hereby approves and adopts the amended pages 11 and 12 to the Consolidated Fee Schedule, dated March 1, 2023, for the City of Galion, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: That any ordinance or resolution, or part of an ordinance or resolution, inconsistent herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency, hereby superseded by the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 3: That this Ordinance shall be published in accordance with applicable Ohio Law.

Section 4: That in order to preserve the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City of Galion and its inhabitants, and in order to update fees according to our costs and provide the current fees in a unified document this measure is determined to be an emergency Ordinance, and shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest time allowed by law after its passage.

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ERIC WEBBER  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

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JULIE L. BELL  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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THOMAS N. PALMER  
DIRECTOR OF LAW

PRESENTED TO MAYOR ON: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
THOMAS M. O'LEARY, MAYOR (Date)

ADOPTED ON FIRST READING: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

ADOPTED ON THIRD READING: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

VOTE ON FINAL READING	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
MS. AULT	_____	_____
MR. BODKINS	_____	_____
MS. DURBIN	_____	_____
DR. FELLNER	_____	_____
MS. FRANK	_____	_____
MR. RICHART	_____	_____
MS. ZEGER	_____	_____

City of Galion Fee Schedule

**Storm Water Fees: \$6.00**

**Note:** Storm water fees are assessed at a monthly flat fee for all residential customers. Undeveloped property is not charged for storm water. Multiple or non single family residential properties shall be calculated by the number of units times the current monthly rate per unit. An equivalent residential unit (ERU) equals the total square footage of impervious area of the property divided by 2,204 square feet. ERU's are rounded to the nearest tenth of a unit. Business & commercial property is calculated by taking total ERU's X \$6 per ERU.

**Sewer Service Charges (Capacity/Impact Fee):**

<u>Size</u>	<u>Charge</u>
¾"	\$450
1"	\$500
2"	\$825
4"	\$825
6"	\$825
8"	\$825
10"	cost determined on individual project basis
12"	cost determined on individual project basis

The City will provide a maximum of two inspections. Subsequent inspections will be charged at the rate of \$50/Hr. with a minimum of 1 hour. If an inspection occurs after hours, resulting in an employee "call-out", the minimum charge will reflect a 3 hour charge.

Out-of-town contract area capacity charges are 1 ½ times the in town capacity charge.

**OTHER UTILITY/UTILITY COLLECTION RELATED FEES:**

Fee Schedule for Relocating Tap: Same as for "new tap" of similar size.

Persons requesting a tap to be moved less than ten feet (10') right or left of the original location shall pay \$100.00 before work will begin. Person requesting a tap to be moved more than ten feet (10') shall pay in advance the amount of a new tap.

Hydrant Meter: Deposit Required: \$1,000

Normal water charges applied Late fee at \$10/day after each day returned late. Must be authorized by Superintendent of Water Department before being issued.

**Bills due without penalty or late fees are due by the 28<sup>th</sup> day of the month.** Late Payments are calculated as 5% of the entire bill.

Collection Fees may be assessed from 30%-45% of the total balance owed for customers that have been turned over to a third-party collection agency. These collection fees are assessed for additional attorney fees, court costs and third-party collection agency fees that are incurred for attempting to collect outstanding debt from the customer. The fee is based as a percentage of the total amount owed by the customer at the time it is turned over to collection. (Late Fees and Collection Fees Not Assessed Currently).

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**Utility Deposit(s): (Minimum)** \$150.00

**A deposit is required from all customers as security for the payment of water, sewer and electric prior to the initiation of the utility service (renters and/or property owners). The deposit amount shall be based upon a twelve month average of prior utility billing costs at the customer's location. If a twelve-month average is not available then the minimum deposit is required.**

If the customer owes a previous balance with the City from a separate location(s) within the City, then the previous balance owed will be added to the deposit in addition to the minimum deposit.

**Fee for Restoration of Utility Service** \$50.00

Total amount of bill, penalty and reconnect fee must be paid prior to reconnection. If after hours, the after hour fee must also be paid.

**Electric Rates (Effective April 1, 2020):**

<b>USER TYPE:</b>	<b>MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGE:</b>	<b>CHARGE PER DEMAND POINT:</b>	<b>CHARGE PER KILOWATT HOUR:</b>
<b>Residential</b>	\$ 10.00	---	\$0.11302
<b>Commercial</b>	\$ 15.00	---	\$0.09568
<b>Power</b>	\$ 96.00	\$ 6.75	\$0.07786
<b>Large Power</b>		\$ 8.75	\$0.0649
<b>Large Power w/Transformer</b>	\$500.00	\$8.60	\$0.06607

**Other Charges:**

Security light, 100 watt	\$ 6.40 per
Security light, 400 watt	\$ 13.60 per
Requested meter test (if operating)	\$ 25.00
Reconnection Fee	\$ 50.00
Reconnection after hours (in addition to reconnection fee)	\$ 50.00
Replace Broken Freeze Plate (5/8" and	\$ 20.00
Replace Broken Freeze Plate (1")	\$ 30.00

**Note: The civil penalty for tampering with seals on electric meters is \$100.00 per occurrence.**

**Burglar/Fire Alarms-False Alarm Responses  
(To be added/included at a later date)**

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Hydrant Meter:

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<b>Commercial</b>	\$ 20.00	---	\$0.11318
<b>Power</b>	\$ 100.00	\$ 8.25	\$0.07532
<b>Large Power</b>	\$500.00	\$ 10.25	\$0.06581
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