

VILLAGE OF OTTOVILLE

ORDINANCE NO. 325

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBERED 312
ESTABLISHING NEW RATES TO BE
CHARGED FOR THE SERVICE OF THE MUNICIPAL
SANITARY SEWAGE SYSTEM UTILITY FOR THE
VILLAGE OF OTTOVILLE, OHIO**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF OTTOVILLE, STATE OF OHIO, a majority of its members elected thereto concurring.

Section 1. That it is hereby determined and declared to be necessary for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare of the Village of Ottoville and the inhabitants thereof to establish and collect charges for the use of the Sanitary Sewage System upon all lots, lands and premises served by or having connection with the Sanitary Sewage System.

Section 2. That the funds received from the collection of the rates and charges hereinafter provided shall be deposited as received with the Clerk-Treasurer, who shall keep the same in a separate fund designated "Sewer Fund". Subject to the provisions of any ordinance or Indenture of Mortgage authorizing the issuance of and securing mortgage revenue bonds for said System, monies in said fund shall be used for operation, maintenance, repair and management of the System, fund for payment of debt charges on bonds issued for extensions and improvements of the System, and any surplus in said Fund over and above the requirements hereinbefore mentioned may be used for enlargements of and replacements to the System and parts thereof.

Section 3. That inside the Village limits for sewage users whose water usage cannot be metered or measured, the additional monthly sewage charge is set at Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) per month.

Section 4. That for users of the Village Sanitary Sewage System who discharge private well water into the system, there will be an additional monthly charge of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00).

For users of the sewage system who discharge private cistern water into the sewage system, there will be an additional monthly charge of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00).

Both well and cistern users shall have the option of installing a secondary meter, furnished and installed by the individual customer at his expense. Billing of the secondary meter will be for sewage rates only.

Both well and cistern users must provide for complete separation of their water plumbing systems, or a double backflow prevention device must be installed in the Village water service line, by the customer, at their expense.

The Village requires that all new apartments, businesses, etc. provide for individual metering of each unit and that all existing multiple units be required to provide for individual metering when a new owner acquires such a property.

Section 5. That for the purposes provided for in Section 2 hereof, there is hereby levied and charged upon each lot, parcel of land or premises having a connection with the System, or otherwise discharging sewage, industrial wastes, water or other liquids, either directly or indirectly into the System, sewer charges payable as hereinafter provided, and in amounts to be determined as follows:

A. FOR THE YEAR 2001 BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2003, AND THEREAFTER UNTIL REVISED:

Monthly Readiness to Serve Rate	\$12.00
Rate per 1,000 gallons	\$3.50

Section 6. That for any lot, parcel of land or premises having a connection with the Sanitary Sewage System, or otherwise discharging sewage, industrial wastes, waters or other liquids, either directly or indirectly into the System, the Board of Trustees of Public Affairs shall determine the method of measuring the water used therein and for that purpose at owner's or other interested party's expense, may install and maintain a meter acceptable to the Board of Trustees of Public Affairs for the purpose of determining such sewer charge.

Section 7. That the sewer charges levied, at the rate or rates established by Section 5 hereof shall take effect January 1, 2003, and shall thereafter be billed for each quarter and be payable as stated on the billing. Any premises making connection with the System after January 1, 2003, shall be charged a per diem pro rata amount based upon the quarter-annual charge, from the time such connection is made until the commencement of the next following billing period applicable to said premises. Amounts due and owing under Ordinance 312 shall remain due and owing, notwithstanding amendments made to said Ordinance within this Ordinance. In case of failure to pay any bill for sewer charges when due, a penalty of ten percent (10%) of such charge shall be added to such bill. The sewer charges herein established shall be payable at A & D Tire or mailed to the Village at P.O. Box 358, Ottoville, Ohio 45876, and shall be payable at the same time as the water bill.

Section 8. That each sewer charge levied pursuant to this ordinance is hereby made a lien upon the premises charged therewith, and if the same is not paid within ninety (90) days after it shall be due and payable, it shall be certified to the Auditor of Putnam county, who shall place the same on the tax duplicate, with the interest and penalties allowed by law, and be collected as other municipal taxes are collected. The Village shall also have the right, in event of non-payment as aforesaid, to discontinue service to such premises of water supplied by the Village's waterworks system until such unpaid sewer charges have been fully paid. A fee of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged to reconnect said water services. All customers of the Sanitary Sewer System whose bills are delinquent will be sent a reminder notice after the books are closed for the quarter. If the bill is not paid within fifteen (15) days of the date of said notice, a "shut-off" notice will be sent, and fifteen (15) days from the date of filing of the "shut-off" notice, water service will be terminated.

Section 9. The Board of Trustees of Public Affairs shall make and enforce such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary for the enforcement of the provisions hereof, for the proper determination and collections of the rates and charges herein provided, and for the safe, efficient and economical management of the Sanitary Sewer System; and such rules and regulations, when not repugnant to existing Ordinances of the Village, or laws of the State of Ohio, shall have the same force and effect as Ordinances of Council.

Section 10. No lot, parcel of land, building or premises now or hereafter used by the Village for municipal purposes shall be subject to sewer charges hereby established.

Section 11. That nothing in this ordinance shall be construed as prohibiting the Village from entering into contracts for providing sewer services outside the Village corporate limits at different rates other than contained in Section 5 hereof and upon such terms and conditions as it deems necessary. The rates for out of town service are as follows:

For one (1) utility, triple current in town rate.

For two (2) two utilities, double the current in town rate.

Section 12. That Ordinance Nos. 146, 186, 263, and the Amendment to 186, in their entirety were repealed upon the effective date of Ordinance number 308 and remain repealed.

Section 13. That this Ordinance be in effect from and after 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2003.

DATE PASSED: Feb. 24, 2003

ATTEST:

Jeanne M. Wannemacher
Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED:

Justin M. Wannemacher
Mayor