

RESOLUTION NO. 26-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, FLORIDA APPROVING THE WATER AND SEWER TAPPING FEE SCHEDULES, PER THE CITY OF CHIPLEY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 42 – UTILITIES, ARTICLE II. – WATER SYSTEM AND ARTICLE III. – SEWER SYSTEM; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Chipley charges a connection fee for a tap into the city water and/or sewer system to be paid by consumers of the system; and

WHEREAS, this connection fee includes a tap fee and is dependent upon the category and service classification; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chipley has an automatic adjustment included that states rates may be automatically adjusted each year based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

WHEREAS, the City of Chipley Water and Sewer Systems have a need to increase the fees by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) in order to make sure the system is self-maintaining.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, FLORIDA, THAT:

1. The City of Chipley hereby approves the following Water Tap Fee Schedule:

- (a) Three-quarter-inch tap - ~~\$1,439.28~~ \$1,483.90
- (b) One-inch tap - ~~\$1,799.10~~ \$1,854.87
- (c) One-and-one-half-inch tap or more, at actual costs as determined by the Public Works Director.
- (d) For taps made “at cost”, applicants will be charged according to their requirements or the city’s minimum specifications.
- (e) If the line to serve an original applicant is sufficient in capacity to serve other customers, future applicants will be required to pay a pro rata share of the original construction cost to the original applicant, and the full cost to provide service was born by the applicant. Only the cost to provide excess capacity shall be eligible for reimbursement. The excess cost shall be identified at the completion of the tap and shall only be subject to reimbursement for five (5) years. Also, reimbursement shall not be applied on lines of minimum size.

2. The City of Chipley hereby approves the following Sewer Tap Fee Schedule:

- (a) Four-inch tap - ~~\$2,158.93~~ \$2,225.86
- (b) Six-inch tap or more, at actual costs as determined by the Water Utilities Director.

- (c) For taps made “at cost”, applicants will be charged according to their requirements or the city’s minimum specifications.
3. All users of water and/or sewer service outside of the municipal boundaries of the city shall pay, in addition to the rates, fees and charges made to the consumers inside the municipal boundaries, a surcharge of 25 percent of such rates, fees, and charges. To protect the future interest of the city, city utility services shall be provided to persons located outside the city only when the person shall voluntarily complete a municipal services agreement and submit a petition seeking to annex the property to be served into the city along with the utility application.
4. These rates to become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025.

CITY OF CHIPLEY

Tracy L. Andrews, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sherry Snell,
City Clerk