

VILLAGE OF NORTH BALTIMORE, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 – 20

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING WATER AND SEWER TAP FEES FOR NEW UTILITY SERVICE CONNECTIONS; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT FEE SCHEDULES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Village Council finds that the existing water tap fees no longer reflect the actual costs incurred by the Village for installing new water service connections; and

WHEREAS, Council further finds that revising the Village's water tap fees is necessary to recover a greater portion of the costs associated with providing new water service connections and to protect the financial integrity of the Village's water utility; and

WHEREAS, Council further finds that the existing sewer tap fees no longer reflect the actual costs incurred by the Village for installing new sanitary sewer service connections, and that revising the Village's sewer tap fees is necessary to recover a greater portion of the costs associated with providing new sanitary sewer service connections and to protect the financial integrity of the Village's sewer utility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of North Baltimore, Wood County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. The Village of North Baltimore hereby establishes the following water tap fees for new connections to the municipal water system:

(a) Residential.

(1) New residential water service connections located on the same side of the street as the existing water main shall be subject to a water tap fee of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00).

(2) New residential water service connections requiring installation across a public street or requiring directional boring or other trenchless installation methods shall be subject to a water tap fee of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00).

(b) Commercial.

New commercial water service connections shall be subject to a base water tap fee of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00), plus reimbursement of all actual costs incurred by the Village, including, but not limited to, labor, equipment, materials, contractor charges, directional boring, pavement restoration, engineering, inspection, and any other costs necessary to complete the installation.

(c) Requests for new water service connections to property located outside the corporate limits of the Village shall be processed in accordance with Chapter 913 of the Codified Ordinances.

SECTION 2. The Village of North Baltimore hereby establishes the following sewer tap fees for new connections to the municipal sanitary sewer system:

(a) Residential.

New residential sanitary sewer service connections shall be subject to a flat sewer tap fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

(b) Commercial.

New commercial sanitary sewer service connections shall be subject to a base sewer tap fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), plus reimbursement of all actual costs incurred by the Village, including, but not limited to, labor, equipment, materials, contractor charges, pavement restoration, excavation, backfill, engineering, inspection, and any other costs necessary to complete the installation.

SECTION 3. All inconsistent fee schedules, resolutions, ordinances, or parts thereof are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting in compliance with applicable Ohio law.

SECTION 5. 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 for the reason that the existing water and sewer tap fees no longer reflect the actual cost of providing new utility service connections, and that the immediate implementation of revised fees is necessary to protect the financial integrity of the Village's water and sewer utilities. Therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption.

The motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was moved by Member _____ and seconded by Member _____.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE VOTE	VOTE ON FINAL ADOPTION
YEAS _____ NAYS _____ ABSTAIN _____	YEAS _____ NAYS _____ ABSTAIN _____

ADOPTED AND EFFECTIVE this 11th day of August, 2026.

Dee Hefner, President of Council
Attest:

Aaron Patterson, Mayor

Mason Davis, Clerk of Council