

ORDINANCE NUMBER: 2026-12

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE VI “PUBLIC WAYS”, CHAPTER 2
“COMBINED WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEMS” SECTION 6-2-4-4 OF
THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF POPLAR GROVE TO
CORRECT ERROR IN ORDINANCE 2026-08**

WHEREAS, the Village of Poplar Grove (“Village”) had adopted a Code of Ordinances (“Code”); and

WHEREAS, Title VI Public Ways and Property, Chapter 2 “Combined Waterworks and Sewerage System” governs the use of the Village water and sewer system including billing and payments; and

WHEREAS, the Village wishes to amend Title VI “Public Ways and Property”, Chapter 2 “Combined Waterworks and Sewerage System”, 6-2-4-4 “Termination of Service” of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the Village previously amended Section 6-2-4-4 of the Code in Ordinance 2025-22 but, due in part to delayed codification, those changes were not later incorporated into latter adopted Ordinance 2026-08 which made additional changes to that same section; and

WHEREAS, the Village has determined that it is in the best interest of the Village and its citizens to approve amendments to Section 6-2-4-4 of the Code regarding water service termination to incorporate those earlier revisions from Ordinance 2025-22 and also include the revisions from Ordinance 2026-08.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Poplar Grove, Illinois as follows:

1. The above recitals are incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
2. Chapter 2 “Combined Waterworks and Sewerage System” of Title VI “Public Ways and Property” of the Code of Ordinances for the Village of Poplar Grove, shall and hereby is amended, and Section 6-2-4-4 “Termination of Service” is added to read as follows (deletions shown as ~~strike throughs~~ and new language as **bold** and underlined):

“6-2-4-4. – TERMINATION OF SERVICE.

- A. Non-payment. Timing of payments for service shall follow 6-2-4-2(A). If **an** account remains unpaid by the end of the month **of \$150.00 or greater**, water services will be shut off and will result in a \$110.00 shut off fee, and service shall not be reinstated until all past due invoices are paid in full pursuant to 6-2-4-2(A). A disconnection notice will be sent via regular mail prior to disconnection following the 21st day of the month. In the

event that the b-box is damaged, such that the water services are unable to be shut off, the shut off fee will still be imposed.

In the event of non-payment and the Village cannot shut service off as scheduled due to a b-box obstruction, the Village may assess an administrative fee of \$55.00.

Further, it shall be a violation of this Section for a property owner or occupant to obstruct a b-box, intentionally or unintentionally, or to prevent the Village from accessing the b-box subject to a penalty as outlined in Section 1-4-1 General Penalty of this Code.

- B. Other Termination of Service. If a water/sewer customer in good standing, or in the case of emergency, the owner of said property may request by application a turn-off or turn-on for a service fee of \$45.00 each.
 - C. Sewer Only Customers. For sewer-only customers, if the rate or charges for such service are not paid according to 6-2-4-2(A), the Village shall notify the owner of the property in writing that the bill for such service is past due, and late fees will be assessed. In the event the charges for service are not paid according to 6-2-4-2, such charges shall be deemed and are hereby declared to be delinquent, and thereafter such delinquencies shall constitute liens upon the real estate for which service is supplied. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file sworn statements showing such delinquencies in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Boone County, Illinois, and the filing of such statements in such office shall be deemed notice for the payment of such charges for such service.
 - D. **In the event of extreme weather that prevents the Village from disconnecting service to the property, no administrative fee shall be assessed, and disconnection shall occur at the next possible date. For the purposes of this Section, extreme weather shall mean temperatures in excess of 90° or temperatures lower than 10° on the date of disconnection or in the 24-hours following, at the discretion of the Village; natural precipitation covering the b-box; tornado weather conditions; or any other weather warning that could endanger the safety of village employees.”**
- 3. Except as amended by this Ordinance, all other provisions and terms of the Village Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect as previously enacted except that those ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.
 - 4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its approval, passage and publication in pamphlet form as required by law.

PASSED UPON MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

BY ROLL CALL VOTE THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2026

AS FOLLOWS:

VOTING "AYE": _____

VOTING "NAY": _____

ABSENT, ABSTAIN, OTHER _____

APPROVED _____, 2026

PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

VILLAGE CLERK