

1<sup>st</sup> reading 12/5/2022  
Amended 12/19/2022  
(w/second reading)

ORDINANCE NO.: 19-2022

ADOPTED: 1/9/2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE OF WATER RATES FOR THE  
VILLAGE OF GREENFIELD, OHIO

WHEREAS, the Village Council for the Village of Greenfield was informed that the water and sewer fund had been losing money on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council for the Village of Greenfield hired DLZ Ohio, Inc. to study our water and sewer rates to ascertain whether an increase was necessary; and

WHEREAS, a study was performed and it was reported to the Village Council that the cost to operate and maintain the Village water and sewer systems had substantially risen since the last water and sewer rate increase and that it was the recommendation of DLZ Ohio, Inc. that the Village of Greenfield, Ohio raise their current water and sewer rates starting in January 2023 to operate this utility adequately, expand facilities, and provide better and more efficient service in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council of the Village of Greenfield, Ohio has determined it to be in the best interest of the Village to increase those rates effective January 2023, as well as water rates effective January 2024, and implement a standard three percent (3%) rate increase each year thereafter.

NOW, **THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Council of the Village of Greenfield, County of Highland, State of Ohio:

**SECTION 1:** Rates for the Village of Greenfield Ohio shall be increased by a \$5.00 base rate for both water and sewer service in January 2023 and January 2024. In January 2023 there shall be a twenty percent (20%) increase to water usage base rate and five percent (5%) increase to sewer base rate. Starting in January 2024, and in each year thereafter, there shall be a standard three percent (3%) base rate increase per year for both utilities.

**SECTION 2:** The Village Council for the Village of Greenfield, Ohio shall amend Ordinance 921.01(a) to add the following sections:

(7) Effective January 1, 2023:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Price Per Thousand</u>
0 - 1,000	\$19.40
Next 1,000	2.98
All over 2,000	6.31

(8) Effective January 1, 2024:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Price Per Thousand</u>
0 - 1,000	\$25.62
Next 1,000	3.07
All over 2,000	6.50

(9) Effective January 1, 2025, and every year thereafter, there shall be a three percent (3%) increase to the base rate charges for the previous year.

**SECTION 3:** The Village Council for the Village of Greenfield, Ohio shall amend Ordinance 921.01(b) to add the following sections:

(7) Effective January 1, 2023:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Price Per Thousand</u>
0 - 1,000	\$26.51
Next 1,000	2.71
All over 2,000	8.13

(8) Effective January 1, 2024:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Price Per Thousand</u>
0 - 1,000	\$32.46
Next 1,000	2.79
All over 2,000	8.37

(9) Effective January 1, 2025, and every year thereafter, there shall be a three percent (3%) increase to the base rate for the previous year.

**SECTION 4:** The Village Council for the Village of Greenfield, Ohio shall amend Ordinance 917.05(b) to add the following sections:

(6) Effective January 1, 2023:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Price Per Thousand</u>
0 - 1,000	\$31.68
Next 1,000	5.53
All over 2,000	7.37

(7) Effective January 1, 2024:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Price Per Thousand</u>
0 - 1,000	\$37.78
Next 1,000	5.70
All over 2,000	7.59

(8) Effective January 1, 2025, and every year thereafter, there shall be a three percent (3%) increase to the base rate for the previous year.

**SECTION 5:** The Village Council for the Village of Greenfield, Ohio shall amend Ordinance 917.05(c) to add the following sections:

(6) Effective January 1, 2023:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Price Per Thousand</u>
0 - 1,000	\$44.58
Next 1,000	8.60
All over 2,000	11.06

(7) Effective January 1, 2024:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Price Per Thousand</u>
0 - 1,000	\$51.07
Next 1,000	8.86
All over 2,000	11.39

(8) Effective January 1, 2025, and every year thereafter, there shall be a three percent (3%) increase to the base rate. for the previous year


**SECTION 7:** That all other Ordinances and Sections of Ordinance 917 and 921 shall remain in full force and effect and suffer no modification outside of that authorized above.

**SECTION 8:** It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of Council and that all deliberations of the Council and any of the decision-making bodies of the Village of Greenfield which resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the State of Ohio.


Passed in Council this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022.

  
Chairman of Council

ATTEST:

  
Clerk of Council  
APPROVED:

Approved as to form this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023.

  
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Village Solicitor