

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

Dayton Legal Blank, Inc.

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CITY OF BELPRE
ORDINANCE NO. 4 (2024-25)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
BELPRE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES
SECTION 939.08
ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF RATES**

WHEREAS, Belpre City Code Section 939.08 provides possible annual increases in water rates by the Safety-Service Director and the Finance Director; and

WHEREAS, said Code Section does not provide for an alternative Administrative member to join to recommend the rate increases; and

WHEREAS, the Code Section provides for the Finance Director to be the other party to the annual agreement; and

WHEREAS, the elected Belpre City Auditor has historically been the other City official signing as the Finance Director.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BELPRE, OHIO, THAT:**

SECTION I

Upon the recommendation of City Administrators, the Belpre City Council hereby finds that it is necessary to amend Belpre City Code of Ordinance Section 939.08.

SECTION II

Section 939.08 shall be amended and adopted as follows:

939.08 ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF RATES.

The Safety-Service Director and the Belpre City Auditor jointly may, between January 1st and March 31st of each year hereafter, make an additional annual adjustment of the above water rates, without further legislation or approval by City Council in an amount necessary to anticipate the revenue necessary to meet the following year's income requirements to operate the Water Department, based upon the income and expenses of the previous year. If the position of Safety-Service Director is vacant between January 1st and March 31st of any calendar year, the Mayor of the City of Belpre may join with the Belpre City Auditor to make an annual adjustment to water rates.

Such additional rate increases, however, may be no more than four percent (4%) from the previous year. The Safety-Service Director, or the Mayor in the absence of a Safety-Service Director, with Belpre Auditor, shall advise Council in writing of the date and amount of any adjustment made pursuant to this provision.

SECTION III

The Ordinance is declared to be an EMERGENCY measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and welfare of the citizens of the City of Belpre, Ohio; and further reason that a proposed rate increase must be completed on or before March 31st of any calendar year, and rate increases will be required to complete water projects. Wherefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

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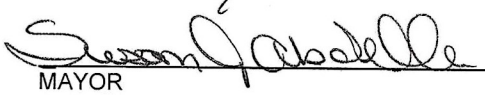
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PASSED: 3/25/2024


PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: 3/25/2024

PRESENTED TO MAYOR: 3/25/24


MAYOR

APPROVED BY MAYOR: 3/25/24

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

The undersigned Clerk of the Council of the City of Belpre, Ohio, does hereby certify that on Monday March 25, 2024, this Ordinance was published by posting a copy of the same at the five public places designated by the City Council in Ordinance No. 18 (2006-07).

3/25/2024
Date


CLERK