

**BOROUGH OF FREEHOLD  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH  
NO. 2015/4**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 13.04 (WATER  
AND SEWER SERVICE SYSTEMS), OF THE REVISED GENERAL  
ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FREEHOLD**

**WHEREAS**, the Administrator and Supervisor of Water and Sewer Department have recommended amending the fees for water service connections; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body agrees with the recommendations.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** as follows:

**SECTION 1**

Chapter 13.04, Water and Sewer Service Systems, shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

**Chapter 13.04 Water and Sewer Service Systems**

**Chapter 13.04.020 Application and payment for water and sewerage service**

A. Application. Any person desiring to obtain water or make use of the water or the sewerage system of the borough shall first make application in writing at the office of the collector of water and sewer rents of the borough, upon a form provided for this purpose by the superintendent of public works, stating the locality of the premises to be serviced, the purpose for which the water or sewer is to be used, and in the case of the use of the sewer for other than domestic purposes from a residence shall specify the type of sewerage intended to be discharged into the mains, the fixtures to be supplied and agreeing to abide by all the rules and regulations relating to the use of the water and sewer systems now in force or later to be established by the mayor and council, and further agreeing to use the water or sewer for no other than a legitimate purpose

expressed in the permit.

The applicant shall also agree by making of the application, that the applicant may make, at his or her cost and expense, all excavations and backfill to the borough mains for the property to be serviced, from the property line abutting the street in which the borough main is located, and supply all materials and labor as may be required and specified by the foreman of streets and roads of the borough and will also replace the surface pavement. A permit for any excavation required to be made in the street in accordance with Chapter 12.16 of this code shall be obtained.

B. Rates.

1. Water Service.

a. At the time of application for water services, the applicant shall pay the following fees:

For each three-fourths inch  
water service connection: \$550.00

For each one-inch water  
service connection: \$750.00

For each one and one-half  
inch water service  
connection: \$950.00

For each two inch water  
service connection: \$1,175.00

For each three inch water  
service connection: \$1,450.00

For each four inch water  
service connection: \$1,700.00

For each six inch water  
service connection: \$2,000.00

The cost of the water meter is included within the above charges for three-fourths inch up to and including two inches water service connections. The meter is to be furnished by the borough and the title to the meter shall remain at all times with the

borough. The meter will be maintained by the borough at its expense. For all meters above two inches, the meter shall be purchased and installed by the applicant at their expense.

b. In addition to the above, for each water service connection which services more than one dwelling unit, there shall be a connection fee of five hundred fifty dollars (\$550.00) for each dwelling unit serviced by such connection.

2. Sewer Service. At the time the applicant makes application for sewer service, the applicant shall pay therefore the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) per single-family equivalent as determined by the regulations of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

Once an applicant has established his or her sewage flows and paid for the prerequisite sewer connection permit, any decrease in sewage flows caused by a change in use of the structure shall not entitle the applicant to a refund of any connection fee; however, any increase in sewage flows caused by a change in building usage or expansion may result in an additional sewer connection fee if the gallonage of sewage generated at the location should increase over the gallonage initially paid for in the sewer connection fee.

3. Private Fire Hydrant Maintenance Fees. All privately owned fire hydrants installed or connected to water lines owned and operated by the borough shall be maintained and tested annually to insure their suitability for utilization by the borough fire department in case of emergency. The owner of property upon which private fire hydrants have been installed shall pay an annual inspection and maintenance fee in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per hydrant to the borough water and sewer department.

4. Landscaping Meters. A property owner may install a separate water only service for landscape watering, swimming pool service and similar activities wherein the water will not be discharged into the sewer system. Upon payment of the water connection fee established in subsection (B)(1) of this section and verification by the superintendent of public works, that water supplied through this meter will not be discharged to the sanitary sewer system, an applicant may install a separate water service

and receive a water meter pursuant to the regulations established by the borough. The property owner shall pay the establish quarterly minimum fee for this meter, even if there is no usage registered on the meter, plus the fee established for all water actually used by this service.

## **SECTION 2**

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid such part shall be deemed severable and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining part of this Ordinance.

## **SECTION 3**

Any Ordinance or portions thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and superseded.

## **SECTION 4**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with Law.

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the forgoing Ordinance was approved for final adoption by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Freehold at a meeting held on March 16, 2015.



**TRACI L. DI BENEDETTO  
BOROUGH CLERK**