

**ORDINANCE 05072008**

AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE SECURITY DEPOSIT AMOUNT FOR THE CONSUMERS OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF ROMNEY.

WHEREAS: The City of Romney owns and operates a municipal water and wastewater system; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish rates, fees and charges for the system which are just, reasonable, applied without unjust discrimination or preference and based primarily on the cost of providing these services; and

WHEREAS, the current charges for security deposits are not congruent with the current water and wastewater rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF ROMNEY HEREBY ORDAINS:

**APPLICABILITY**

Applicability in entire territory serving residential customers

**SECURITY DEPOSITS**

A deposit will be required on all new services for water and wastewater in accordance with the West Virginia Public Service Commission Series 7 Rules: Paragraph 4.2.a.1, Paragraph 4.2.a.3, Paragraph 4.2.a.7 and Paragraphs 4.2.a 11-15.

- a) the deposit is based on 1/12 of the average yearly water usage (4500 gallons per month)
- b) the calculation for this usage will be based on the current water and wastewater rates, therefore the water deposit would be \$27.00 and the wastewater deposit would be \$38.00.
- c) the total customer deposit of \$65.00 will be placed in a customer escrow account and will accrue interest.
- d) after 12 months of consecutive service without a penalty or delinquency the deposit is returned to the customer, if said customer leaves property location before the 12 consecutive months, the deposit will be applied to their outstanding balance.
- e) said rates to be collected in the manner provided by existing ordinance..

The increased rates shall be effective on the 2nd day of June, 2008

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Third & Final Reading 6-2-8

William E. Hicks, Sr.  
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