## **ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03-03**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 201.080 OF ORDINANCE NO. 201, AND TITLED "CITY WATER SYSTEMS."

The City Council of The City of Birchwood Village, Minnesota ordains:

## Findings and Purpose:

This change makes our water meter code refer to the fee schedule and removes a duplicated sentence.

Section 1. Section 201.080 of Ordinance No. 201 and titled "City Water Systems" is amended to read:

## 201.080. <u>METERS.</u>

- 1. The City will monitor water usage by consumers through a water meter furnished by Kamstrup Electronic Water Meters designated by the Council. Every household or other final consumer of City water must have its own meter. A suitable place, safe from frost and other damage, and accessible for examination and reading must be provided at the expense of the consumer.
- 2. Meters shall be installed by the City at the owner's expense. All meters shall be under the control and supervision of the City and shall be sealed by the proper City employees. No person other than City employees or other person designated by the City in charge of said work shall break said seals.

## 3. Non-Kamstrup Electronic Water Meters

- 1. Any water meter that is not the designated Kamstrup Electronic Water Meter will require manual readings and thea quarterly \$100.00 Non-electronic water meter fee. For any water meter that is not the designated Kamstrup Electronic Water Meter, a legible timestamped photo of the resident's current meter reading must be emailed by the resident to the City's designee between the first and the fifteenth of February, May, August and November or thea \$100.00 Non-Submission—FeeNon-submission of emailed photo of non-electronic water meter fee listed in the fee schedule will be imposed.
- 2. Failure to timely report any water meter reading two times in any four-quarter period is a violation of this code and is a misdemeanor. Submitting an intentionally erroneous reading is also a violation of this code and is a misdemeanor. Submitting an intentionally erroneous reading is a violation of this code and is a misdemeanor. Failure to

timely produce a legible timestamped photo of the current reading shall results in double the fee set in the fee schedule.

- 3. Upon the sale of any property in the City the Kamstrup Electronic Water Meter must be installed.
- 4. Consumers must keep their service pipes, attachments, and meters in order, and must protect them from frost.
- 5. In case of the breakage or stoppage of any meter, the consumer shall immediately notify the City. Any repairs necessary shall be made at the expense of the owner, except in the case of normal wear and tear.
- 6. In cases where the meters are difficult to access by the officers of the City, or are exposed to danger from frost, the water shall be shut off from such premises until the obstruction is removed or the danger is avoided.

Section 2. This ordinance becomes effective from and after its passage and publication.

Passed by the City Council of The City of Birchwood Village Minnesota this // day of April Month, Year. 2023

Attested:

City Clerk

