

ORDINANCE NO. 2002- 7

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO'S 1992-14 AND 1997-20; SETTING NEW WATER RATES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY THEREFORE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OZARK, ARKANSAS THAT:

Section 1: The Current water rates are in need of modification to meet new and additional expenses.

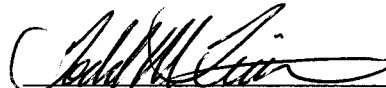
Section 2: All existing water rates for in-city customers, outside city customers, industrial users, and wholesale water purchasers shall in increased by twelve percent (12%). The new rate shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent. The increase in rates shall take effect January 1, 2003. The existing rates were set by Ordinance No. 1997-20 and said rates took effect on January 1, 1998. All such rates shall be increased on the effective date by the amount of 12%, rounded to the nearest whole cent.

Section 3: The minimum monthly bill for residential users shall now be based upon 4,000 gallons. Thus, all residential customers, regardless of usage, will pay for at least 4,000 gallons of water per month.


Section 4: Notwithstanding the 12% increase set forth in Section 2, such increase shall not apply to the initial 4,000 gallons of water consumption for residential customers.

Section 5: It being necessary for the proper funding of the Ozark water system and for the preservation of the public health, safety, peace, and welfare, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage.

THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 13th DAY OF May, 2002.

  
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Mayor, Todd Timmerman

APPROVED:

  
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City Clerk, Carol Sneath