

RESOLUTION NO. 482

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CLYDE PARK, MONTANA, ADOPTING A NEW WATER RATE STRUCTURE BY REDUCING THE NUMBER OF GALLONS INCLUDED IN THE BASE RATE, ESTABLISHING NEW OVERAGE RATES, AND INCREASING THE MONTHLY WELL/LOT FEE.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Town of Clyde Park owns and operates a municipal water system (the "System"); and,

WHEREAS, the Town has historically paid for the operation, repair, maintenance, and replacement of the System through revenues collected from monthly user charges; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that simply raising the base rate would not be the fairest approach to water billing, as it would increase costs equally for all customers regardless of usage; and,

WHEREAS, the Council therefore finds that modifying the rate structure by reducing the gallons included in the base rate, adjusting the overage rate, and increasing the well/lot fee better promotes fairness, encourages conservation, and provides sufficient revenue to maintain the System; and,

WHEREAS, two (2) public hearings were held after proper notice, as required by Section 69-7-111, MCA, to consider the proposed changes to the water rate structure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Clyde Park as follows:

Section 1. Adoption. The Town hereby adopts the water rate structure as set forth in Ordinance No. 481 and attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of this Resolution is to ensure fairness among water users, encourage conservation, and provide adequate revenues for the continued operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of the municipal water system.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Town Council of the Town of Clyde Park, Montana,

this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Approved:

Roger Chandler, Councilperson

Yes

No

Absent

Brian Eckenrod, Councilperson

Yes

No

Absent

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Teresa Saari, Councilperson Yes No Absent

David Sarrizan, Councilperson Yes No Absent

James Walsh, Councilperson Yes No Absent

Sydney Wiley, Mayor

Approved as to Form and Content:

Jon M. Hesse, City Attorney

Attest:

Louann Barr, Deputy Clerk

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Exhibit A

1. Base Monthly Gallon Allowance – ¾-Inch Water Line

*Reduce the number of gallons included in the base monthly rate from **4,000 gallons** to:*

3,000 gallons

OR

2,000 gallons

2. Base Monthly Gallon Allowance – 1½-Inch Water Line

*Reduce the number of gallons included in the base monthly rate from **16,000 gallons** to:*

12,800 gallons

OR

3. Overage Rate for All Meter Sizes Establish a new overage charge of:

\$5.00 per 1,000 gallons

OR

\$7.00 per 1,000 gallons

4. Monthly Well/Lot Fee Increase the monthly well/lot fee from **\$19.43** to:

\$23.00

OR

Council Certification

Date: _____

By signing below, the Council affirms the selected choices above and adopts the rate structure reflected in this Exhibit A.

Council Member: _____

Signature: _____

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Signature: _____