

# Dodge Oakhurst Water Supply Corporation

## ORDER SETTING WATER RATES/FEES

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS AND ADOPTING GENERAL POLICIES WITH RESPECT TO DISTRICTS/CORPORATIONS SYSTEMS**

Amended November 2021

Amended June 2022

Amended October 2022/Effective January 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 Statements

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Whereas the Board of Directors of Dodge Oakhurst Water Supply Corporation deems it appropriate to establish and consolidate all the Corporations rates, fees, rules, regulations, and policies with respect to its waterworks system into one order:

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DODGE OAKHURST WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION THAT:

## 1. Connections to the Corporations Waterworks System

- A. Connections made by the Corporation. All water taps and inspections shall be made by the Corporations employees or agents.
- B. The Corporations will provide service AFTER an application has been approved, easements granted, and all fees paid.
- C. Installation: The Corporation will provide service when an applicant completes and signs a Service Agreement, signs a notarized easement, and pays the applicable fees and membership in the amount of **\$150.00**. If service has never been provided to the property, a new tap fee must be paid. If service has been previously provided, a re-service fee will be charged.
- D. Fees      Standard    **5/8 X 3/4 Meter**

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New Service Labor and Materials \$1400.00

New Membership Fee (refundable) \$150.00

Equity Buy-In Fee \$152.11

**TOTAL** **\$1702.11**

***Plus, any cost of road bore or other non-standard requirement.***

## 2. Rates

A. The following rates and charges for the sale of water shall be in effect for residential members, including churches, within the Corporation from the effective date of this order.

### **Residential Rates**

<b>Minimum Monthly Charge</b>	<b>Rate</b>
(Includes ZERO gallons)	\$30.00

#### **Gallons Used**

<b>Gallons Used</b>	<b>Rate</b>
0-2000	\$3.50/per thousand
2001-5000	\$4.00/per thousand
5001-8000	\$4.50/per thousand
8001-10000	\$5.00/per thousand
10000 and above	\$5.50/per thousand

### **Commercial Rates**

#### **1" Meter**

<b>Minimum Monthly Charge</b>	<b>Rate</b>
(Includes ZERO gallons)	\$55.00

#### **Gallons Used**

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0-2000	\$3.50/per thousand
2001-5000	\$4.00/per thousand
5001-8000	\$4.50/per thousand
8001-10000	\$5.00/per thousand
10000 and above	\$5.50/per thousand

#### **2" Meter**

<b>Minimum Monthly Charge</b>	<b>Rate</b>
(Includes ZERO gallons)	\$176.00

#### **0-2000**

\$3.50/per thousand

#### **2001-5000**

\$4.00/per thousand

#### **5001-8000**

\$4.50/per thousand

#### **8001-10000**

\$5.00/per thousand

#### **10000 and above**

\$5.50/per thousand

<b>Bulk Water</b>	
<b>Gallons Used</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Per Thousand Gallons (Minimum \$50.00)	\$8.00
Set- up Fee/Security Deposit	\$300.00(\$100.00 Refundable)

### **3. Delinquent/Past Due Accounts**

A. Payment is due in the Dodge Oakhurst Water Supply Corporation office by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. If the 15<sup>th</sup> should fall on a weekend, the following Monday will be the last day for payments to be considered not late. On the workday following the late date, a late fee of **\$25.00** will be added to the customers balance and a disconnection notice will be sent to the last known address of each delinquent customer allowing 10 calendar days from the date the notice was mailed, to avoid disconnection. The Corporation reserves the right to enter into suit for the collection of any amounts due and unpaid, together with interest therein at the maximum legal rates and reasonable attorney's fees.

### **4. Other Charges**

A. Reconnection Fee -	\$75.00 during business hours (8AM – 5PM) \$100.00 After hours (5PM – 7PM) NO RECONNECT AFTER 7PM
B. Admin Fee	\$25.00
C. Returned Check Fee	\$28.50
D. Regulatory Fee	0.5% (Mandatory by the State of Texas)
E. Groundwater Fee	\$0.32 (Monthly per meter)
F. Meter Tampering Fee	\$200.00
G. Meter Reading Fee	\$8.00
H. Meter Re-Service	\$270.00
I. Trip Charge	\$30.00 (One free per year)
J. Transfer of Membership	\$50.00

### **5. General Policies**

A. What is a connection – Each residential unit occupied by a SEPARATE family, including separate apartments located within a single building, and each business unit occupied by a separate business, including separate establishments within a

single building, shall be deemed to be a separate connection for the purpose of this order.

- B. Services Charged – At no time shall the Corporation render water services WITHOUT charge to a person, firm, corporation, or organization.
- C. Other Utilities – Prior to installation of underground cables in the area of the Corporation water supply lines, representatives of utility companies shall contact the Corporation operation to file such companies' construction plan and schedule and to review the plan illustrating the location of the Corporations lines.
- D. Corporations Denial of Service – The Corporation may deny service to anyone for the following reason:
  - 1. Failure of the applicant or transferee to complete all required forms.
  - 2. Failure of the applicant to grant the Corporation an easement in the name of the Corporation.
  - 3. Failure of the applicant to comply with rules, regulations, or policies of the Corporation.
  - 4. Existence of a hazardous condition at the applicant's property in which would jeopardize the welfare and safety of the customers/users of the Corporation upon connection.
  - 5. Existence of inadequate facilities, as determined by the Corporation or Board of Directors, for the connection of the applicants requested tap to the Corporations system.
  - 6. Failure of applicant to meet other applicable regulations of various municipal, county, state or federal agencies having jurisdiction over the use of the Corporations facilities and/or
  - 7. Failure of the applicant to provide proof of ownership, to the satisfaction of the Corporation, of property for which the tap has been requested.
- E. The Corporation does not accept liability for damages caused by service interruptions due to waterline breaks by utility or like contractors, tampering by other users of the Corporation, other events beyond the Corporations control, or for normal failures of the water system.