

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Council of the Town of Belle, County of Kanawha, State of West Virginia, as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Belle Sanitary Board is in the process of replacing its antiquated Wastewater Treatment facility with a large package plant consisting of a single 71 foot in diameter by 17 foot high tank package treatment system with two new aeration basins; and

**WHEREAS**, the project cost is \$5,045,000 of which West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council is recommending a \$1,000,000 grant and a CWSRF loan for the remaining \$4,045,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sanitary Board must provide revenues for debt service requirements and operations and maintenance expenses for the new Wastewater Treatment facility through a rate increase; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has determined that it is in the best interest of the customers of the Sanitary Board to implement the rate increase in a three-step process over time;

**THEREFORE**, the Town hereby establishes new rates and charges for sewer services for customers of the Sanitary Board.

**ORDINANCE #2016-1**

This Ordinance is a new ordinance and replaces Codified Town Ordinance 921.01 in its entirety. This section relates to rates, fees and charges for sewer system of the Town of Belle.

SECTION 1: Section 921.01 is hereby modified as follows:

**921.01 RATES; FEES AND CHARGES.**

The following schedule for rates, fees and charges for the use of and the services rendered by the sewer system of the Town, is hereby established and are applicable within and outside of the Corporate Limits.

- (a) Availability of Service. Available for general domestic, commercial and industrial Sanitary Sewer Service:

Meter Rate (based upon the metered amount of water furnished.)

SEWER RATES SCHEDULE-MONTHLY

STEP ONE – Effective on or after May 2, 2016

First	2,000 gallons	\$	15.39 per 1,000 gallons
Next	3,000 gallons	\$	14.88 per 1,000 gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	\$	12.24 per 1,000 gallons
Next	15,000 gallons	\$	10.35 per 1,000 gallons
Over	25,000 gallons	\$	7.70 per 1,000 gallons

- (b) Minimum Charge. The above schedule is subject to a minimum monthly charge of Thirty Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$30.77).

STEP TWO – Effective January 1, 2017

First	2,000 gallons	\$	18.50 per 1,000 gallons
Next	3,000 gallons	\$	17.90 per 1,000 gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	\$	14.72 per 1,000 gallons
Next	15,000 gallons	\$	12.44 per 1,000 gallons
Over	25,000 gallons	\$	9.26 per 1,000 gallons

- (b) Minimum Charge. The above schedule is subject to a minimum monthly charge of Thirty-Seven Dollars and Zero Cents (\$37.00).

STEP THREE – Effective July 1, 2017

First	2,000 gallons	\$	20.06 per 1,000 gallons
Next	3,000 gallons	\$	19.41 per 1,000 gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	\$	15.96 per 1,000 gallons
Next	15,000 gallons	\$	13.51 per 1,000 gallons
Over	25,000 gallons	\$	10.06 per 1,000 gallons

- (b) Minimum Charge. The above schedule is subject to a minimum monthly charge of Forty Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$40.12).
- (c) Multiple Occupancy. An apartment building or other multiple occupancy building shall be required to pay not less than the minimum monthly charge.
- (d) Delayed Payment Penalty. The above tariff is net. On all accounts not paid in full within fifteen (15) days of date of bill, ten percent (10%) will be added to the net amount shown.
- (e) Service Connection. For tap inspection fee on new installations, the Sanitary Board shall be reimbursed total costs expended or the property owner shall provide such, subject to specification by and supervision by of the Sanitary Board.
- (f) Effective Date. The rate increase will not take effect sooner than forty-five (45) days after final passage and adoption.

SECTION 2:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

First Reading: February 22, 2016

Second Reading and adoption: March 15, 2016