

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SPRING CITY, TENNESSEE
AMENDING THE TOWN'S RATE SCHEDULE FOR UTILITY
SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Town of Spring City (the "Town") is authorized by state law and the Town of Spring City Code (the "Town Code") to operate and maintain a water and wastewater system and to provide other basic utility services such as garbage removal; and

WHEREAS, the Town is also authorized by state law and section 18-125 of the Town Code to furnish water and sewer service under such rate schedules as the Town may from time to time adopt by appropriate ordinance or resolution; and

WHEREAS, because of operating cost increases associated with the provision of such utility services, the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Spring City believe it is in the best interests of the Town and its residents to increase certain of its rates for utility services provided by the Town; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2019, the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury's Water and Wastewater Financing Board ordered the Town of Spring City to hire a firm to perform a rate feasibility study; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Spring City hired Buddy Petty Rate Studies to do the feasibility study presented their findings to the Spring City Board of Commissioners on July 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Buddy Petty Rate Studies recommends continuing with an annual 3% rate increase for both water and sewer rates;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF SPRING CITY, TENNESSEE, THAT:

Section 1: That this Ordinance shall allow the town to increase both the Water and Sewer rates annually, with an automatic incremental adjustment of three percent (3%), with each said increase taking effect on July 1 of each and every following year without any required action on the part of the Town of Spring City.

Section 2: That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or any particular rate set forth in the schedule or rates and charges referenced herein is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 3: That this Ordinance and the rules, regulations, provisions, requirements, orders and matters established and adopted hereby shall take effect and be in full force and effect on July 1, 2024, and shall apply to all meter readings read or services rendered after said effective date.

First Reading

June 6, 2024

Second Reading

June 27, 2024

Woody Evans, Mayor

Brenda Dodson, City Recorder