ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MINBURN, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER SERVICE DISCONTINUED FEE**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of the City of Minburn, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. The Minburn Code of Ordinances, Chapter 92 entitled Water Rates, Section .04 entitled Service Discontinued is hereby amended as follows:

**92.04 SERVICE DISCONTINUED.** Water service to delinquent customers shall be discontinued in accordance with the following:

1. Notice. Utility bills are due every month on the 15th. On the 16th of every month the Clerk shall notify each delinquent customer that a penalty fee has been applied after the due date. Such notice shall be sent by ordinary mail to the customer in whose name the delinquent charges were incurred and shall inform the customer of the nature of the delinquency and afford the customer the opportunity for a hearing prior to the discontinuance. If not paid by the 27th of the month, a notice will be posted on the door stating the service will be disconnected on the last business day of the month. With this extra notice, there will be an added posting fee of $10. The notice shall contain the language “This is your final notice before utilities are shut off if payment or other arrangements are not made by the delinquent due date.”

4. Fees. If service is disconnected a fee of $50 will be charged to the customer and a reconnection fee of $50.00 during normal business hours will be charged before service is restored to a delinquent account. After 4:00 p.m. weekdays and on weekends or holidays, the reconnection fee is $75.00. The disconnecting, reconnecting fees, and the past due bill must all be paid in full prior to the water being reconnected.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to suspend the 2nd and 3rd reading and approve Ordinance 2022-01, and send on its final passage. Roll call vote:

White \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cline \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Moss \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Helm \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Passed and approved by Council the 14th day of February 2022.

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Meaghan Bennett, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

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Tasha Snoberger, City Clerk

Passed First Reading: 14th the day of February

Second Reading: 14th the day of February

Third Reading: 14th the day of February

Date Posted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Post until \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_