

Village of Crooksville, Perry County, Ohio

ORDINANCE NO. 2730

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2455 OF THE ORDINANCES OF
THE VILLAGE OF CROOKSVILLE
FIXING AND ESTABLISHING WATER AND SEWER RATES**

Whereas, the Village of Crooksville, by its Water and Sewage Department, provides water and sewage utility service for the Village of Crooksville and surrounding areas; and

Whereas, on April 15, 2013, the Village of Crooksville passed Ordinance No. 2455 Fixing and Establishing Water and Sewer Rates, and Repealing and Replacing All Previous Water and Sewer Rate Ordinances, in accordance with an expert study and recommendation that determined rates necessary and appropriate in order to maintain the Water and Sewage Department's sustainability; and

Whereas, Ordinance No. 2455 calls for an automatic annual three percent (3%) increase in water rates, and such automatic increase did occur for the year 2023;

Whereas, upon review of current operations and revenue, the Council of the Village of Crooksville has determined that the three percent (3%) automatic increase in rates called for by Ordinance No. 2455 can be waived for its customers in 2024, as it was in 2017 by Ordinance No. 2583, as it was in 2018 by Ordinance No. 2607, with no change to that Ordinance in 2019, as it was in 2020 by Ordinance No. 2671, as it was in 2021 by Ordinance 2021-21, and as it was in 2022, by Ordinance No. 2706, without jeopardizing the Village's ability to manage and pay the expenses of obtaining and providing water supply for its water customers, conducting and managing its water system, conducting and managing its sewage system, and of operating, billing, compliance, improvements and other water and sewage system expenses.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Village of Crooksville, Perry County, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. Section 2.c, Section 3.c, Section 4.c., and Section 5.e. of Ordinance No. 2455 of the Ordinances of the Village of Crooksville are hereby AMENDED to the following extent and ONLY to the following extent: the annual increase in monthly minimum charges and additional monthly fees is WAIVED for the year 2024. Monthly minimum charges and additional monthly fees shall NOT increase by three percent (3%) in the year 2024.

Section 2. This amending ordinance shall affect only the sections as noted, in only the year noted, and shall not affect any other portion of Ordinance No. 2455 as a whole.


Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law, with the waiver of increase in rates effective on January 1, 2024.

1st Reading: November 20, 2023 ;

2nd Reading: December 4, 2023 ;

3rd Reading: December 18, 2023 .

Passed: December 18, 2023 .



Chris Mohler, Mayor

ATTESTED:

Courtney Edwards

Courtney Edwards, Fiscal Officer

Posting Certification

This ordinance was posted at the five prescribed locations within the Village of Crooksville, Ohio, on the 19th day of December, 2024.

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