Blairstown Township County of Warren, State of New Jersey Ordinance #2023-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 190 WATER UTILITY OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN

WHEREAS, the Township of Blairstown has recommended an increase to customers' base water rates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Blairstown that Chapter 190 entitled "Water" of the Code of the Township of Blairstown ("Code") is hereby amended, in part, as follows:

SECTION 1 The Water Utility Rate Increases are hereby set effective January 1, 2024 as follows:

- Single Unit Structures: \$109.25 per quarter for the first 8,000 gallons or any portion thereof received during said quarter. The cost for excess of 8,000 gallons will remain the same.
- For multi-unit structures, the record owner of the premises shall be deemed to be the user and shall pay \$109.25 per unit per quarter. The cost for excess of 8,000 gallons will remain the same
- The amount to be paid to the Township by senior citizen, surviving spouses of senior citizen and/or disabled person, as defined in this chapter, shall, after having made application and demonstrated his or her eligibility for the herein provided discount by providing a copy of said claimant's prior year federal income tax return or other acceptable proof, shall pay to the Township \$75.75 per quarter for the first 8,000 gallons or any portion thereof received during said quarter. The Cost for excess of 8,000 gallons will remain the same.

SECTION 3. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect after the second reading, public hearing, adoption and publication, in accordance with the law.

Introduced: November 22, 2023 Motion: Lance Second: Orcutt AIF: Lance, Makatura, Orcutt, Moorhead

Adoption: December 27, 2023 Motion: Waldron Second: Lance Roll Call: Lance—yes, Makatura—yes, Orcutt—yes, Waldron—yes, Moorhead—yes,

Kristin Shipps, RMC