ORDINANCE NO. 2025 -2

## AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE WATERWORKS OF THE TOWN OF KOUTS

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Kouts, Indiana ("Town") has previously adopted Ordinance No. 2022-7, establishing the current water rates and charges for the use and services rendered by the waterworks of the Town, which rates and charges are codified in the Town's municipal code ("Code"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town finds that the existing rates and charges for the use of and services rendered by the waterworks of the Town are insufficient to enable the Town to properly operate its waterworks plant, to provide funds for depreciation and sinking fund requirements, and to provide funds necessary for replacements, improvements, extensions and betterments, as set forth under IC 8-1.5-3-8, and that the existing rates and charges should be increased; and

WHEREAS, the Town has caused a rate study to be completed by the firm of Kleinpeter Financial Group, LLC, and based upon such rate study, the Town Council of the Town finds that certain rates and charges contained in the Code should be increased;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KOUTS, INDIANA:

Section 1. The rates in § 51.16(C)(1)-(3) (Metered rates, Fire protection services, and Municipal water fountain) of the Code are hereby amended and restated as shown on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The deposit required by § 51.15 of the Code is hereby increased to \$200 per applicant.

Section 3. All ordinances and provisions of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. All other provisions of § 51.15 and § 51.16 of the Code shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its date of passage.

Passed and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Kouts, Indiana this <u>10</u> day of February, 2025.

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KOUTS, INDIANA

absent

Tyler Brock, Council President

Lyter Diock, Council Fresident

Harold Salver

Tim Gant

Blake Jefferson

CJ Wittmer

ATTEST: Laurie Tribble, Clerk-Treasurer

#### EXHIBIT A

# (1) Metered rates. Effective with first full billing cycle following adoption.

Consumption per month	Rate per 1,000 gallons \$ 19.28
First 3,000 gallons	15.09
Next 7,000 gallons	10.94
Next 20,000 gallons Over 30,000 gallons	0.22

Over 30,000 gallons		Minimum charge per month
Meter size	Number of gallons	\$ 57.84
5/8-3/4 inches	3,000	108.29
1 inch	6,344	216.07
1.5 inch	14,811	416.55
2 inches	14,811 34, 128	832.78
3 inches	34,128 84,158	1,387.80
4 inches	150,872	2,235.94
6 inches	252,820	

#### (2) Fire protection services.

(2)	
	Rate per annum
Fire Protection Services	\$ 6.35
Municipal hydrants – per hydrant	2,066.89
Private hydrants – per hydrant	
Sprinkler system connects:	1,388.01
4 inches	2,776.20
6 inches	4,781.14
8 inches	

### (3) Municipal water fountain.

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Municipal Drinking Fountain	Rate per annum \$ 6.35
Municipal Diliking 1 character	
Per fountain	

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