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AN ORDINANCE providing for the regulation and operation of the municipal waterworks system of the Village of Bellevue, Peoria County, Illinois, and fixing rates and charges for water and water services furnished by said waterworks system.

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BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bellevue, Peoria County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby established an executive department of the Village to be known as the "Water Department" and the President is hereby authorized to appoint, subject to confirmation by the Trustees, a Superintendent of the Water Department, and all other necessary employes, and said Superintendent shall have the general management and control of the waterworks system subject, however, to the supervision of the President and Board of Trustees.

Section 2. No water shall be turned on for use on or in any premises until an application therefor in writing has been made for that purpose and filed with the Village Clerk of said Village, stating the purpose for which the water is to be used. If the applicant is not the owner in fee simple of the record of the title to the property where the applicant desires the water turned on, he shall deposit with his application the sum of Five Dollars ($5.00) before any water is turned on. Such deposit shall be held by the Village as security for the payment of water used by the applicant and may be so applied when any default is made in payment of a water bill.

Section 3. No person shall in any manner obstruct the access to any stop-cock, hydrant or valve, or any public faucet or opening for taking water in any street, alley, public ground or

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place connected with or part of said water system, nor pile or place any lumber, brick or building material or other article, thing or hindrance whatsoever within twelve feet of the same, or so as to in any manner hinder, delay or obstruct the members of the fire department in reaching the same. It shall be unlawful for any person in any manner to interfere with or obstruct the flow, retention, storage or authorized use of water in said water system, reservoir or plant, or any part thereof, or to injure, deface, remove or displace any water main, hydrant, service pipe, water meter, shutoff box, public fountain, valve, engine or building connected with said water system, or plant, or to cause, suffer or permit any of said things to be done. Any person who shall perform any act in violation of this section shall upon conviction thereof be fined not less than Ten Dollars ($10.00), nor more than Fifty Dollars ($50.00) for each offense, and shall in addition be liable for the actual damage done or caused.

Section 4. No person not duly authorized shall turn the water on at any fire hydrant or service cock, or use water therefrom when so turned on, under penalty of Ten Dollars ($10.00) for each offense and the person so using or wasting water in such unlawful manner shal be liable to pay for the same.

Section 5. All water consumers supplied by the Village of Bellevue shall be supplied through meters only and shall pay for the water at the rates and in the manner hereinafter specified.

Section 6. Whenever any meter, by reason of its being out of repair, or for any cause fails promptly to register the water passing through the same, the consumer shall be charged at the rate shown for the corresponding time of the previous year under like conditions. If no record of the previous year exists, then it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of the waterworks to esti-

mate or determine so far as he can the amount of water consumed during the time such meter fails to operate, and the consumer shall pay the amount so estimated.

Section 7. All connections and water applied for hereunder, and all the water used hereunder, shall be upon the express condition that the Village shall not be liable, nor shall any claim be made against it for damages or injury caused by reason of the breaking of any main, branches, service pipes, apparatus or appurtenances connected with said system or plant, or any part or portion of said plant, or for any interruption of the supply by reason of the breakage of machinery, or by reason of stoppage, alterations, extensions or renewals.

Section 8. Said Village and its employes shall have ready access to the premises, places or buildings where meters are located for the purpose of reading, examining, testing and repairing the same, and examining and testing the consumption, use and flow of water, and it shall be unlawful for any persons or corporation to interfere with, prevent, or obstruct said Village, or its duly authorized agent, in its duties hereunder. Every consumer of said water shall take the same upon the conditions prescribed in this section.

Section 9. All water shall be supplied through meters and the following shall be the rates for water supplied through said meters, payable monthly on the first day of each month:

For the first 2000 gallons per month per 1000 gallons	- 75 cents
For the next 3000 gallons per month, per 1000 gallons	- 55 cents
For the next 5000 gallons per month per 1000 gallons.	- 50 cents

For the next 5000 gallons per month per 1000 gallons - 40 cents

All over 15,000 gallons per month, per 1000 gallons - 30 cents

The minimum monthly charge for service shall be $2.00 for all domestice consumers and $3.00 for all commercial consumers.

For water sold by the load a minimum charge of 25 cents per load of 500 gallons.

The Village shall pay a fire hydrant rental of $1.00 per month per hydrant.

The term "domestic consumer" shall mean and include all users of water for buildings or dwellings used exclusively for residential purposes. all other users shall be deemed to be "commercial users."

The Village reserves the right to make such reasonable changes in rates and in conditions herein established and to establish further rules and regulations from time to time as may be found expeditious or necessary.

Section 10. Bills for water service shall be rendered monthly and shall be delinquent ten days after their rendition, and in the event of failure to pay the bills within said ten day period, an additional charge of ten per cent (10%) shall be added to the bill.

Section 11. Persons or corporations desiring to use water for building or construction purposes shall make application therefor in writing and file the same in the office of the Village Clerk on a form provided for that purpose. Upon a permit being granted (permits shall be issued in writing and signed by the Superintendent of the waterworks) the service pipe shall be carried at the expense of the appliant to the inside of the curb line, where a service cock and meter shall be placed, with pipe leading to the surface, and a faucet placed at the end thereof above said surface. When the

building or construction work is completed the faucet and meter shall be removed and the water shut off, unless permanent connection hereunder is made. Charge for the use and connecting of meters shall be as prescribed hereafter by the President and Board of Trustees.

Section 12. The following rules and regulations for the consumers of water and plumbers are hereby adopted and established.

1. No water shall be furnished or supplied to any consumer for any purpose whatever, until such consumer shall make application therefor. Such application shall state the location of the premises to be served and the use to which the water will be put.

2. No water consumer may supply water to other families or allow them to take it, except for use on the premises and for the purposes specificed in the application, nor after water is introduced into any building or upon any premises shall any person make or employ any other person to make any tap, or connection with the work upon the premises for alterations, repairs, extensions or attachments without a written permit therefor to be issued by the Superintendent of the waterworks system.

3. The Village reserves the right to shut off water at any time in the mains for the purpose of repairing, cleaning, making connections with or extensions to same, or for the concentrating of water in any part of the Village in case of fire; and for restricting the use of the water in case of deficiency in supply. No claim shall be made against the Village by reason of the breaking of any service pipe or service cock, or damage arising from shutting off of water for repairing, laying or relaying

mains, hydrants or other connections or repairing any part of the water system, or from failure of the water supply, or by increasing the water pressure at any time, or from concentration or restricted use of water as above.

Section 13. For violation of any of the foregoing rules or for the non-payment of water bills, the Village reserves the right to turn off the water without notice and to forfeit any payments made, and after the water has been turned off from any service pipe on account of non-payment of water bills, or violation of rules, the same will not be turned on until all delinquent bills and penalties are paid, together with expense of turning off and on such water, which will be One Dollar ($1.00), and no water will be furnished to any person who is indebted to the Village on account of water consumed, material or repairs.

Section 14. No owner or plumber shall be permitted to conduct water pipes into any two distinct premises or tenements unless separate and distinct stop-cocks shall be placed on the outside of such premises along the sidewalk opposite the same, nor shall any pipe be allowed to cross lots or buildings to adjoinging premises.

Section 15. The right is reserved to suspend the use of lawn fountains and hose for sprinkling lawns and gardens, whenever in the opinion of the President and Board of Trustees public exigencies require it.

Section 16. In all cases where one service pipe supplies two or more separate consumers in a building, one meter may be placed at the service connection for either or all of the said consumers and the water rent, as registered by such meters, shall be charged to and be payable by the owner of such premises or building.

Section 17. Any person who shall violate any of the rules and regulations provided for in Section 12 respecting the regulations for consumers of water and plumbers shall upon conviction, in addition to the enforcement of the forfeiture and liabilities therein contained, pay a fine of not less than Ten Dollars ($10.00) or more than One Hundred Dollars ($100.00).

Section 18. This ordinance shall after its passage and approval be published by the process of posting in three prominent places within the Village limits as provided by the laws of the State of Illinois, and shall be in full force and effect as provided by law.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF PEORIA)

I, EDWARD DUNN, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting clerk of the Village of Bellevue in the County and State aforesaid, and am the keeper of the records and files of the President and Board of Trustees of said Village.

I further certify that the foregoing and attached ordinance is a full, true and correct copy of an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE providing for the regulation and operation of the municipal waterworks system of the Village of Bellevue, Peoria County, Illinois, and fixing rates and charges for water and water services furnished by said waterworks system.", which was adopted at a regular meeting of the President and Trustees of said Village held on the 24th day of March, 1942.

Edward B. Dunn
Village Clerk of the Village of Bellevue.