AMENDED BY
ORD. #2013-11
DATE 07-16-13

# ORDINANCE 2011-08

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2010-06 SETTING RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY WATER SYSTEM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS It is imperative that the water rate schedule keep pace with expenses so that the systems can be operated, maintained and improved so that customers can receive the high level of service they expect and deserve.

WHEREAS The City Council has reviewed a water rate analysis prepared by Rural Community Assistance Program Community Resource Group, Inc. concerning Mulberry Water rates and determined that an increase is necessary.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MULBERRY, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. That Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2010-06 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. That the following monthly rates and charges which the City Council hereby finds and declares are fair, reasonable and necessary minimum rates be and they are hereby fixed as rates to be charged for services rendered by the water facilities of the system.

(A) Monthly Water Rates. All water charges shall be based on water consumption and the amount to be paid by each customer shall be computed on the basis of the following schedule:

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| First | 1,000 gallons | $17.50 minimum |
| Next | 9,000 gallons | 5.60 per 1,000 |
| Next | 40,000 gallons | 4.35 per 1,000 |
| Next | 150,000 gallons | 3.80 per 1,000 |
| Next | 300,000 gallons | 3.70 per 1,000 |
| All Over | 500,000 gallons | 3.10 per 1,000 |
| Wholesale Cost to Contract Buyers | | 2.06 per 1,000 |

SECTION 2. Ordinance No. 2010-06 as amended hereby, shall by and remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That the provisions of this Ordinance are separable and if a section, phrase or provision shall be declared invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. That all ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 5. That to ensure an equitable and fair assessment of water rates to all citizens, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the public welfare shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 21ST DAY OF JUNE 2011.

APPROVED: _____
Gary D. Baxter, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jerry Dickerson, Recorder-Treasurer