ORDINANCE NO. 2013-14

AN ORDINANCE FIXING CHARGES AND FEES FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY THE CITY WATER SYSTEM; REPEALING ORDINANCE 2007-10 AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2000-03 & 85-04 AND PRESCRIBING OTHER RELATING MATTERS.

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

WHEREAS It is the responsibility of the City Council to set fees and regulations for the operations of the City water system;

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

That the following amendments to Ordinance 2000-03, Section 2, Residential Water Accounts shall be made:

SECTION 1

(A) Each homeowner who connects to the City water system shall pay a ~~$60~~ 100.00 meter deposit for each meter installed in the above said homeowner's name.

(B) Each renter or "Rent to Own/Contract for Sale" purchaser who connects to the City water system shall pay a $100.00 meter deposit for each meter connected in the above said renter's name.

(C) Meter deposits shall be paid to the City Water Department prior to water service being activated at any residence.

(D) All persons making application for City water service shall sign a water user agreement as set forth by the City Water Department prior to their account being activated.

That the following amendments to Ordinance No. 2000-03, Section 3, Commercial/Industrial Accounts shall be made:

SECTION 2

(A) Meter deposit shall be $100.00 for all commercial accounts.
(B) Meter deposits shall be paid to the City Water Department prior to water service being activated at any location.
(C) All persons making application for City water service shall sign a water user agreement as set forth by the City Water Department prior to their account being activated.

That the following amendments to Ordinance No. 2000-03, Section 4, Water Tapping Fees shall be made:

SECTION 3

(A) 1 inch meter tap	$1,075.00
(B) 1 ½ inch meter tap	$1,275.00
(C) 2 inch meter tap	$1,575.00
(D) Road Bore tap	All Costs Paid By Customer

That the following amendments to Ordinance No. 2000-03, Section 10 and 85-04, Section 1(F), Reconnection Charge, shall be made:

SECTION 4

In the event that any premises are disconnected from the system the customer shall pay a reconnection fee of $50.00 for each reconnection to the water system.

SECTION 5 All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6 If any provision of this ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional it shall be deemed severable and seperable, and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7 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 20th DAY OF August, 2013.

APPROVED: _____
Gary D. Baxter, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jerry Dickerson, Recorder-Treasurer