

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 923.01(b) DECREASING THE RATE FOR BILLING AND COLLECTION SERVICES TO BE PAID TO THE CITY OF CLEVELAND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Finance Director has received a request from the City of Cleveland Water Division that the charges for billing and collecting services by the City of Cleveland be decreased effective March 1, 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Richfield, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Section 923.01(b) of the Streets, Utilities and Public Services Code be amended to read as follows:

“923.01 RATES; METER SHARING; WATER USE PERMIT.

(a) \*\*\*

(b) Additional Assessment Charges for First 1,000 Cubic Feet. In addition to the foregoing charges made by the City of Cleveland, there shall be charged an assessment of Five Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$5.12) paid quarter-annually for the first 1,000 cubic feet or less of water used in any quarter, such charge to be used for the following:

1. Ninety-five cents (\$0.95) for maintenance of the water system.
2. Four Dollars and Seventeen Cents (\$4.17) for each quarter-year billing to commence March 1, 2003 and such rates as may be set by the City of Cleveland on an annual basis thereafter to be paid to the City of Cleveland for billing and collecting.
3. The foregoing charges less the rates set by the Council of the City of Cleveland for billing and collecting shall be paid quarter-annually to the Director of Finance of the Village.

(c) through (f) \*\*\*\*”

SECTION 2. That Section 923.01(b) as it existed prior to the effective date of this Ordinance be, and the same hereby is, repealed.

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SECTION 3. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary in order to be available for the next quarterly billing by the City of Cleveland; wherefore, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of Council elected or appointed, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and execution by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed March 4, 2003

ATTEST:

Carole Gibson  
Clerk of Council

Michael J. White  
President of Council

Ronald S. Larsen  
Mayor

Date 3/5/2003



**City of Cleveland**

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February 19, 2003

**Ms. Eleanor Lukovics,**

Finance Director  
Village of Richfield  
P. O. Box 387  
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Dear Ms. Lukovics:

Please be advised that effective with the **March 1, 2003** the rate for billing and collection services performed for the **Village of Richfield** and others, will decrease to **\$4.17** per charge from the current rate of **\$4.19** per charge.

This rate change is being implemented to more closely reflect the actual costs incurred by the Division of Water for the meter reading, meter maintenance, billing and collection functions. The new rate is based on actual **2001** costs of **\$4.10** per charge and indexed to reflect **2001** costs by using the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) for the Cleveland metropolitan area.

We value you as a customer and pledge to continue to provide you high quality billing and collection services at the lowest possible cost.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 664-2444 extension 5400.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Nichols, Commissioner  
Utilities Fiscal Control

DAN: bvs