## **ORDINANCE NO. 2003-2**

# Amending the Water User, Water Tap and Trash Rates

WHEREAS, the General Assembly finds that the cost of improving and maintaining the town water system requires more tap fee and user fee revenues to provide a balanced budget in the future and meet the needs of the Ophir Community:

WHEREAS, the General Assembly finds that the cost of waste removal requires an increase in the trash fee to provide a balanced budget and meet the needs of the Ophir Community:

WHEREAS, the General Assembly finds that increasing the water tap fee, water user fee and trash fee will promote the financial ability of the Town of Ophir to provide community water and trash removal services, and thereby will promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the Ophir Community

NOW, THEREFORE. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE TOWN OF OPHIR ORDAINS:

#### Section 1: ORDINANCE NO. 95-1 AMENDED

Ordinance No. 1995-1 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 3. Water and Trash Fee Rates is amended by repealing Paragraph A. and re-enacting a new paragraph A. to read as follows:

- All water tap fee holders in the Town of Ophir shall pay to the Town Clerk the sums set forth in the following schedule:
- 1. Water Fee: Two hundred sixty four (\$264.00) U.S. Dollars per year minimum for each tap holder with the Town of Ophir. The \$264.00 per year minimum payment may be paid quarterly at the rate of sixtv-six dollars (\$66.00) per quarter.
- Trash Fee: One hundred forty two and U.S. dollars and sixty six cents per year minimum for each water tap holder within the Town of Ophir. The \$142.66 per year minimum payment may be paid quarterly at the rate of thirty five U.S. dollars and sixty seven cents (\$35.67) per quarter.

Section 4. Water Tap Fees is hereby amended by repealing Paragraph A. and re-enacting a new paragraph A. to read as follows:

"A. The Water Tap Fees for all new water taps shall be five thousand U.S. dollars (\$5,000.00)."

### Section 2: ORDINANCE NO. 97-5 REPEALED

Ordinance No. 97-5 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE** Section 3:

This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after final adoption.

Read and approved on first reading on the 21st day of January, 2003

Read and approved on second and final reading on the 18th day of February, 2003

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Heidi McDaniels, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form: Eric James Heil, Town Attorney