

VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

INTRODUCED BY: The Administration

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 927.13 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE, OHIO, TO PROVIDE FOR MONTHLY BILLING PROCEDURES AND ESTABLISH NEW INCREASED RATES FOR SEWER CONSUMER CHARGES IN THE SEWER FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, additional resources are needed annually to pay for increased sewage treatment costs to maintain the Sewer Funds' cash balance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Silver Lake, County of Summit, State of Ohio, that;

Section 1: That Section 927.13 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Silver Lake is hereby amended to read as follows:

**927.13 SEWER USER CHARGES**

- (a) The Village hereby levies and assesses upon each lot, parcel of land, building or premises having any sewer connection with the sanitary sewerage system of the Village of otherwise discharging sewer, commercial or industrial waste, water, or other liquids, either directly or indirectly into the Village sanitary sewer system, a Sewer User Charge for the use of its system. Bills for sewer services will be prepared and submitted to all users on a monthly basis and will be based on the quantity of water used as the same is estimated or measured by the Director of Public Service, by meters then in use. Charges and monthly billing shall be as follows for utility bills rendered on or around April 1, 2019 and payable April 20, 2019.

COMPUTED RATE PER UNIT (100 C.F) OF BILLED DISCHARGE

USER CHARGES	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Institutional</u>
<i>Effective with bills due:</i>			
April 20, 2019	<del>\$5.30</del> <b>\$5.56</b>	<del>\$5.30</del> <b>\$5.56</b>	<del>\$5.30</del> <b>\$5.56</b>

- (b) A fixed charge per month per benefit to cover capital and debt service charges shall be added according to the following schedule:

ORDINANCE NO.: 14-2019

NUMBER OF BENEFITS PER USER

Residential	1 benefit
Silver Lake Country Club	42 benefits
Silver Lake School	5 benefits
Church in Silver Lake	2 benefits
Silver Lake Florist	2 benefits
2969 Kent Road	3 benefits
2961 Kent Road	2 benefits


EFFECTIVE AS FOLLOWS; RATE PER BENEFIT

April 01, 2019      \$24.93 **\$30.93**

**Section 2.** That is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**Section 3.** That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the Village of Silver Lake and the inhabitants thereof, for the reason that the Village is immediately necessary to fix rates to provide revenues for regular operating costs and capital projects of the Village's sewer enterprise system which funds are needed currently, and provided it receives the necessary affirmative votes as required by the Village Charter, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.


PASSED: 3/18/19

  
Gerald P. Jones, President of Council

APPROVED: 3/19/19

  
Bernie Hovey, Mayor

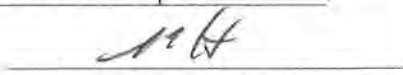
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Robert W. Heydorn, Solicitor

ATTEST:

  
Sean M. Housley, CPA, Clerk-Treasurer

Silver Lake, Ohio 3/19/19  
I, hereby certify that Resolution or Ordinance  
No. 14-2019 was published by title or  
in full in the local newspaper, or designated  
by Council resolution on the date or dates of  
3-24-2019.

  
Clerk of Council

## **Handout for Discussion**

**NO.: 14-2019**

**BERNIE HOVEY**  
Mayor

**SEAN M. HOUSLEY, CPA**  
Clerk-Treasurer

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**MEMO**

**To:** Council, Mayor  
**From:** Sean M. Housley, CPA  
Clerk-Treasurer  
**Subject:** Ordinance 14-2019  
**Date:** February 28, 2019

Ordinance 14-2019 proposing increased sewer consumer charges is based on the following facts:

- Due to drop in consumption, the 2019 revenues are forecasted to come in less than what's been estimated by approximately \$65,000.
- The Village asserts on the Ohio EPA loan applications that we will take action to maintain a beginning cash balance in the Sewer Fund of 25% to 50% of appropriations. If Ordinance 14-2019 passes, the Sewer Funds projected cash balance at the end of 2019 is \$101,689 or 10% which is still below our assertions.
- Due to increased Inflow & Infiltration of Storm Water into the Sanitary System the Sewage Treatment costs have increased significantly. Ordinance 15-2019 increases our appropriations by \$30,100 to budget for these increased costs.
- Based on 5 units of usage, the Summit County sewage treatment costs have increased 14% since 2017. The Village sewer treatment costs have increased 11.4% (\$5.27).
- This is the second consecutive year the Sewer Capital Improvements Fund (E09) has had zero Sewer Consumer Charges compared to \$30,000 in 2016 & 2017.
- Ordinance 14-2019 is an emergency measure. The sewer fund will be re-evaluated again in October or November 2019 as part of the budgetary process.