

Ordinance No. 48

[Establishing Sewer Service Connection Charge]

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SEWER SERVICE AVAILABILITY AND CONNECTION CHARGE TO PAY RESERVE CAPACITY COSTS OF METROPOLITAN SEWER BOARD

BE IT ORDAINED by the Village Council of the Village of Medicine Lake, Minnesota, as follows:

Section .01: Recitals

The Metropolitan Sewer Board has determined to reserve unused capacity in the metropolitan disposal system each year commencing in 1973 for local government units in which new buildings to be connected to the system and new connections to the system are commenced during such year; and to allocate the debt service costs of such unused capacity for the year among such local government units as provided in the attached Exhibit A. In order for the Village to pay such costs allocated to it each year, it will be necessary to establish sewer service availability and connection charges for all buildings to be constructed or connected to the metropolitan disposal system on or after January 1, 1973.

Section .02: Establishment of Charges

For the purpose of paying costs of reserve capacity allocated to the Village each year by the Metropolitan Sewer Board, there is hereby established a charge for:

- (a) The availability of treatment works and interceptors comprising the metropolitan disposal system; and
- (b) Connections, direct and indirect, to the metropolitan disposal system.

The charge is imposed on each building or structure in the Village, and each connection to the metropolitan disposal system directly or through the Village's system, inside any Sewer Service Area established by the Metropolitan Sewer Board, construction of which is commenced on or after January 1, 1973. The charge shall be payable upon the issuance of a building permit or a connection permit, as the case may be, but no charge shall be due upon the issuance of a connection permit if a charge was paid upon issuance of a building permit.

The charge for each building or structure shall be equal to the number of units of sewage volume which it will discharge, multiplied by \$275 for 1973, \$300 for 1974, \$325 for 1975, \$350 for 1976 and \$375 for 1977. A unit of sewage volume shall be 100,000 gallons per year and shall be assigned as follows:

- (a) Single family houses, townhouses and duplex units shall each comprise one unit;
- (b) Condominiums and apartments shall each comprise 80% of a unit;

- (c) Mobile homes shall each comprise 80% of a unit;
- (d) Other buildings and structures shall be assigned one unit for each 100.000 gallons of flow or part thereof which it is estimated they will discharge;
- (e) Public housing units and housing units subsidized under any federal program for low and moderate income housing shall be counted as 75% of the unit equivalent for that type of housing;
- (f) Units existing or for which building permits were issued prior to January 1, 1973, shall be counted as one-half the unit equivalent for that type of housing, if connected to the Metropolitan Disposal System prior to January 1, 1974, and shall be counted at the full rate thereafter.

Section .03: **The Administration**

The Village Building Inspector shall prepare or revise building permit or sewage connection permit application forms to provide information necessary for the computation of the number of units assignable to the building or structure in question, and shall collect the applicable charge before issuance of a permit. The Building Inspector shall make such information available to the Sewer Board upon request. If upon filing a report covering such permit with the Metropolitan Sewer Board, the Board determines that a greater number of units is assignable to the building or structure in question, any additional amount of cost allocated to the Village as a result shall be paid by the person or company to whom the permit was granted.

Adopted by the Village Council of Medicine Lake this 13th day of January, 1973.

Neal E. Sorensen, Mayor

ATTEST: Harold E. Miller, Clerk