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RESOLUTION # 1704

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING UTILITY DEPOSITS, DISCONNECTION FEES AND DISCONNECTION & RECONNECTION POLICIES FOR THE UTILITY CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of the City Of Minden realize the cost of utility services changes; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of the City Of Minden are desirous to require a utility deposit that addresses the cost of service provided by the City Utility Department; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of the City of Minden are desirous to establish fees and policies in regards to disconnection & reconnection of services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MINDEN.

1. UTILITY DEPOSITS: The following deposits shall be in effect for the utility customers of the City of Minden upon passage of this resolution:
    a. A utility deposit of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) is required on all new homeowner applications for residential utility service to a residence that is located on a permanent foundation.
        i. In the event a utility customer maintains a perfect payment record with no delinquencies for one full year of service, the City of Minden Utility Department shall issue a credit to the utility customer's account in the amount of $100.00.
        ii. In the event a utility customer does not maintain a perfect payment record with no delinquencies for one full year of service, the One Hundred Dollar ($100.00) deposit shall be held by the City of Minden Utility Department until a perfect payment record with no delinquencies for one full year is achieved, or the customer discontinues service.
    b. A utility deposit of Two Hundred Dollars ($200.00) is required on all other new applications for residential utility service.
        i. In the event a utility customer maintains a perfect payment record with no delinquencies for one full year of service, the City of Minden Utility Department shall issue a credit to the utility customer's account in the amount of $200.00.
        ii. In the event a utility customer does not maintain a perfect payment record with no delinquencies for one full year of service, the Two Hundred Dollar ($200.00) deposit shall be held by the City of Minden Utility Department until a perfect payment record with no delinquencies for one full year is achieved, or the customer discontinues service.
    c. A utility deposit of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) is required on all new applications for commercial utility service.

d. A maximum utility deposit of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) shall be required for customers with multiple residential rental units (landlord). The utility deposit shall be held by the City of Minden Utility Department until services are no longer required. A separate deposit is required for the private residence of the landlord.
e. The Utility Department, at the discretion of the City Administrator, may require a different deposit for utility services, on returning utility customers.

2. DISCONNECT POLICIES: The following disconnect policies for discontinuance of electric service due to non-payment of the utility account should be in effect for the utility customers of the City of Minden upon passage of this resolution:
    a. Electric service discontinuance due to non-payment of the utility account will be disconnected at 10:00 a.m. on the last Tuesday of the month that is a business day.
    b. If the last Tuesday of the month is not a business day, then it will be done on the following business day.
3. RECONNECT POLICIES: The following reconnection policies for discontinuance of electric service due to non-payment of the utility account should be in effect for the utility customers of the City of Minden upon passage of this resolution:
    a. Utility Accounts must be paid in full including the disconnect fee and reconnect fee (if applicable) to have the electric service reconnected.
    b. Utility Account Payments received between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. will have their electric service reconnected by 5 p.m.
4. DISCONNECT & RECONNECT FEES: The following disconnect and reconnect fees for discontinuance of electric service due to non-payment of the utility account shall be in effect for the utility customers of the City of Minden upon passage of this resolution:
    a. The disconnect fee is $100.00 per utility account.
    b. The disconnection fee shall be charged to the Utility account.
    c. The reconnect fee for non-business hours (5 p.m. to 8 a.m., holidays, and weekends) is $100.00.

Councilmember Jones moved for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution. Councilmember Carlson seconded the motion.

On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Jones. The following voted Nay: none. The following were absent and not voting: none.

The passage of said Resolution having been consented to by a majority of the members of the City Council, the Mayor declared the Resolution passed and adopted, this 21st day of October, 2019.

/s/ Ted Griess
Ted Griess, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk