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CITY OF CROOKS ORDINANCE #327

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROOKS, SOUTH DAKOTA, ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURE FOR THE ADOPTION OF WATER AND SEWER BASE RATES AND RATES FOR METERED GALLONS OF WATER AND SEWER FOR CUSTOMERS CONNECTED TO THE CITY OF CROOKS'S WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROOKS, SOUTH DAKOTA, THAT:

<u>Section 1 – Rates</u>. The Crooks City Council shall establish rates and the base rate for water consumers and sewer user connected to the municipal water and sewer systems of the City by resolution. Sewer metered gallons shall be based on water metered gallons.

Section 2 – Surcharges:

Clean Water – 04 ("CW-04"): In addition to the normal sewer system user fee, the City hereby establishes a surcharge of \$9.20 payable by all users of the Sewer System for the project financed by CW-04 loan with the borrower bond Series 2021. The collection of the surcharge shall start on September 10, 2021. The surcharge shall remain in effect until such time as the borrower bond is paid in full, it shall be collected at the same time as other charges of the system, and establish a surcharge account to segregate the income from other system income for bookkeeping purpose to be pledged to the South Dakota Conservancy District. The surcharge shall be reviewed from year to year and modified in order to provide the required 110 percent debt coverage.

Clean Water – 05 ("CW-05"): In addition to the normal sewer system user fee, the City hereby establishes a surcharge of \$4.00 payable by all users of the Sewer System for the project financed by CW-05 loan with the borrower bond Series 2022. The collection of the surcharge shall start on August 5, 2022. The surcharge shall remain in effect until such time as the borrower bond is paid in full, it shall be collected at the same time as other charges of the system, and establish a surcharge account to segregate the income from other system income for bookkeeping purpose to be pledged to the South Dakota Conservancy District. The surcharge shall be reviewed from year to year and modified in order to provide the required 110 percent debt coverage.

Drinking Water – 03 ("DW-03"): In addition to the other charges, the City hereby establishes a surcharge of \$14.25 payable by each customer of its system who receives or benefits from the services of the project financed by the DW-03 loan with the borrower bond. The collection of the surcharge shall start on January 1, 2024. The surcharge shall remain in effect until such time as the borrower bond is paid in full, it shall be collected at the same time as other charges of the system, and establish a surcharge account to segregate the income from other system income for bookkeeping purposes to be pledged to the South Dakota Conservancy District. The surcharge shall be reviewed from year to year and modified in order to provide the required 110 percent debt coverage.

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<u>Section 3 – Base rate charged</u>. The base rate shall be charged regardless of metered gallons. The base charge shall apply to each unit in those structures with multiple units.

<u>Section 4 – CPI and commodity cost adjustments</u>. The water and sewer rates shall be adjusted annually in conjunction with the State of South Dakota consumer price index (CPI). The water and sewer rates shall be adjusted annually for increases in cost for the base commodity as communicated by the City's water supplier(s); the increase shall be added to the metered gallons

<u>Section 5 – Ordinances in conflict</u>. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

F. Butch Oseby, Mayor

Attest:

Tobias Schantz Finance Officer

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