

ORDINANCE # 869

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG, NEBRASKA, AMENDING ARTICLE V, SECTION 50.02 OF THE GOTHENBURG CODE OF ORDINANCES; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION HEREOF AND PROVIDING FOR AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG, DAWSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Article V, Section 50.02 of the Gothenburg Code of Ordinances provides as follows:

§ 50.02 COLLECTION OF UTILITY BILL. Charges for water, sewer, and electric service shall be billed jointly on a monthly basis. The City Administrator shall read or cause to be read the water and electric meters by the twenty-fifth day of each month. Utility bills shall be mailed on the eighth day of each month, and shall be due and payable upon receipt. Bills not paid by the twentieth day of each month shall be deemed to be delinquent and shall be assessed a service fee as set forth in the rate ordinances of the city. Failure to receive a properly rendered bill will not entitle the customer relief from any penalties for late payment nor disconnection from service. Upon being deemed to be delinquent, as herein defined, the city may discontinue water and/or electric service pursuant to § 50.03. Once discontinued, service shall not be recommenced except upon payment in full of all delinquent charges and upon further payment of a reconnection fee in the amount as specified in the rate ordinances of the city. The city may also take any action authorized by law to effect collection of the delinquent charges.

(Neb. RS 17-542) (Prior Code, § 3-401) (Ord. 800, passed 10-18-2005)

Section 2. Article V, Section 50.02 of the Gothenburg Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

**§ 50.02 COLLECTION OF UTILITY BILL.**

Charges for water, sewer, and electric service shall be billed jointly on a monthly basis. The City Administrator shall read or cause to be read the water and electric meters on or around the twenty-fifth day of each month; with the exception of Time of Use (TOU) Customers which shall be read after midnight of the last day of each month. Utility billing will be based upon the reading of the meter at the time read; with the exception of Time Of Use (TOU) customers of which the bills shall be determined from the from the first 15 minute period of each month through the last 15 minute period of each month. Utility bills shall be mailed prior to the eighth day of each month, and shall be due and payable upon receipt. Bills not paid by the twentieth day of each month shall be deemed to be delinquent and shall be assessed a service fee as set forth in the rate ordinances of the city. Failure to receive a properly rendered bill will not entitle the customer relief from any penalties for late payment nor disconnection from service. Upon being deemed

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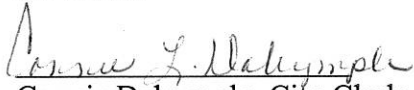
Section 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

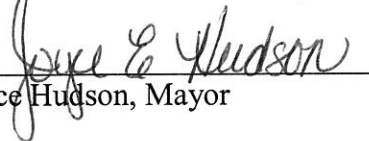
Section 4. This ordinance shall be published and shall become effective according to law.

Passed Jan 3, 2012


CITY OF GOTHENBURG, NEBRASKA

ATTEST:

  
Connie Dalrymple, City Clerk

  
Joyce Hudson, Mayor

Approved as to form:

  
Michael L. Bacon, City Attorney