

ORDINANCE NO. 297

AN ORDINANCE FIXING RATES FOR WATER, SEWER AND ELECTRIC EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 1998; MAKING DEFINITIONS, SETTING POLICY AND RESPONSIBILITY; REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND DECLARING EMERGENCY.

BIT IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Stilwell, Oklahoma:

**SECTION 1.0 PURPOSE:**

To establish and maintain uniform utility rates for all customers.

**SECTION 2.0 POLICY:**

It is the policy of the Stilwell Utility Department and the Stilwell Area Development Authority to have utility rates that are approved by the Board of Directors and the City Council and to adhere to those rates.

**SECTION 3.0 APPLICABILITY:**

This policy applies to all utilities including electric, water, sewer, and natural gas.

**SECTION 4.0 RESPONSIBILITY FOR ADMINISTRATION:**

Billing Department

**SECTION 5.0 QUESTIONS:**

Any questions regarding this policy should be directed to the Billing Department or the Utility General Manager and/or his designated representative.

**SECTION 6.0 DEFINITIONS:**

**6.1 Single Unit:** Any one of a kind, i.e. residential, business, etc.

**6.1.1 SENIOR CITIZEN ELECTRIC RATE:** A rate 10% less than the current residential rate for citizens age 65 and over, for their principal residence only.

**6.2 Multi-Unit:** More than one, i.e. duplex, tri-plex, two or more businesses in one building, etc.

**6.3 Storage Buildings:** And other non-commercial structures: Those structures used for private use that do not meet other criteria.

**6.4 Office Buildings:** Those buildings that may have businesses that are not intended for retail outlets or industrial use. They may be single or multiple businesses.

**6.5 Municipal:** Are locations owned and/or used by the city or a sub-section of the city.

**6.6 Industrial:** Dedicated to some type of manufacturing or other process that furthers the value of raw materials.

**6.7 Security Lights:** Lights installed on city utility poles for

individual customers and paid by a flat monthly rate.

- 6.8 **Commercial:** Businesses that are primarily involved in providing a service or the sale of items to the general public.
- 6.9 **Cost:** Equals kwh cost plus kw demand cost and either plus or minus power cost adjustment.
- 6.1 **Rural Water Districts:** Organizations that buy and resell water to designated areas or territories.
- 6.11 **Residential Sewer Without Water:** Sewer charge for those residential customers served by rural water districts.
- 6.12 **Bulk Water:** Water metered through a fire hydrant for special purposes, i.e. road construction, tank trucks, etc.
- 6.13 **Special Events:** Are not metered and have no requirement for special drops, i.e. Strawberry Festival. Each 24-hour period is considered an event.

**SECTION 7.0 INDEX OF UTILITY RATES: (Rate Structure Section 8)**

- 8.1 **Electric:** Senior Citizen Electric Rate
- 8.2 **Electric:** Multi-Unit Residential with separate meters
- 8.3 **Electric:** Multi-Unit Residential with single meter
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- 8.6 **Electric:** Multi-Unit Commercial with separate meters
- 8.7 **Electric:** Multi-Unit Commercial with single meter
- 8.8 **Electric:** Office Buildings
- 8.9 **Electric:** Municipal
- 8.10 **Electric:** Heavy Industrial-over 100,000kwh
- 8.11 **Electric:** Medium Industrial-50,000 - 100,000 kwh
- 8.12 **Electric:** Light Industrial-under 50,000 kwh
- 8.13 **Electric:** Security Lights
- 8.14 **Electric:** Special Events
- 8.15 **Water:** Single Unit Residential
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- 8.27 **Sewer:** Multi-Unit Residential with separate meters
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- 8.29 **Sewer:** Single Unit commercial
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- 8.32 **Sewer:** Office Buildings
- 8.33 **Sewer:** Municipal
- 8.34 **Sewer:** Industrial

- 8.35 Sewer: Industrial, Waste Treatment Plant No. 2
- 8.36 Sewer: Industrial, Waste Treatment Plant No. 3
- 8.37 Sewer: Residential without water service
- 8.38 Natural Gas: Rates set by NEOPFA

**SECTION 8.0 UTILITY RATES PER INDEX: See Section 7**

- 8.1 **Electric: Single Unit Residential (3 3 1 1)**  
 Base Rate: \$5.00 monthly  
 + \$.0860 per kwh first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0710 per kwh 101 - 300 kwh  
 + \$.0640 per kwh all kwh over 300
  - 8.1.1 **Electric: Senior Citizen Electric Rate (3 E SR)**  
 Base Rate: \$4.50 monthly  
 + \$.0774 per kwh first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0639 per kwh 101 - 300 kwh  
 + \$.0576 per kwh all kwh over 300
- 8.2 **Electric: Multi-Unit Residential With Separate Meters (3E 1 1)**  
 Base Rate: \$5.00 monthly  
 + \$.0860 per kwh first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0710 per kwh 101 - 300 kwh  
 + \$.0640 per kwh all kwh over 300
- 8.3 **Electric: Multi-Unit Residential with Single Meter**  
 Base Rate: \$5.00 monthly x number of units  
 + \$.1040 per kwh first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0960 per kwh 101 - 300 kwh  
 + \$.0690 per kwh all kwh over 300
- 8.4 **Electric: Storage buildings & other Non-Commercial Structures (3 E 1 1)**  
 Base Rate: \$5.00 monthly  
 + \$.0860 per first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0710 per kwh 101 - 300 kwh  
 + \$.0640 per kwh all kwh over 300
- 8.5 **Electric: Single Unit Commercial (3 E 4 1) (3 E 9 1)**  
 Base Rate: \$10.00 monthly  
 + \$.1040 per kwh first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0960 per kwh 101 - 500 kwh  
 + \$.0690 per kwh all kwh over 500
- 8.6 **Electric: Multi-Unit Commercial With Separate Meters**  
 Base Rate: \$10.00 monthly  
 + \$.1040 per kwh first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0960 per kwh 101 - 500 kwh  
 + \$.0690 per kwh all kwh over 500
- 8.7 **Electric: Multi-Unit Commercial With Single Meter**  
 Base Rate: \$10.00 monthly  
 + \$.1040 per kwh first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0960 per kwh 101 - 500 kwh  
 + \$.0690 per kwh all kwh over 500
- 8.8 **Electric: Office Buildings**  
 Base Rate: \$10.00 monthly  
 + \$.1040 per kwh first 100 kwh  
 + \$.0960 per kwh 101 - 500 kwh

- + \$.0690 per kwh all kwh over 500
- 8.9 Electric: Municipal (3 E 7 1)**  
\$.0550 per kwh metered
- 8.10 Electric: Heavy Industrial--over 100,000 kwh**  
Cost + \$.0120 per kwh first 2,000,000 Kwh  
Cost + \$.0100 per kwh 2,000,001 - 3,000,000 kwh  
Cost + \$.0080 per kwh 3,000,001 - 4,000,000 kwh  
Cost + \$.0060 per kwh kwh all kwh over 4,000,000
- 8.11 Electric: Medium Industrial-50,000 - 100,000 kwh**  
Cost + \$0220 per kwh
- 8.12 Electric: Light Industrial-under 50,000 kwh**  
Base Rate: \$10.00 monthly  
+ \$.1040 per kwh first 100 kwh  
+ \$.0960 per kwh 101 - 500 kwh  
+ \$.0690 per kwh all kwh over 500
- 8.13 Electric: Security Lights**
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|--------|---|-------|
| 8.13.1 | 175 Watt (use existing pole).....       | 4.65  |
| 8.13.2 | 250 Watt (use existing pole).....       | 8.30  |
| 8.13.3 | 400 Watt (use existing pole).....       | 11.50 |
| 8.13.4 | 1000 Watt (use existing pole).....      | 22.65 |
| 8.13.5 | 175 Watt (with pole installation).....  | 5.45  |
| 8.13.6 | 250 Watt (with pole installation).....  | 9.10  |
| 8.13.7 | 400 Watt (with pole installation).....  | 12.30 |
| 8.13.8 | 1000 Watt (with pole installation)..... | 23.40 |
- 8.14 Electric: Special Events**  
\$50.00 per each 24-hours paid n advance.  
(See sections 6.13 and 10.4)
- 8.15 Water: Single Unit Residential (3 W 1 1) (3 W 1 O)**  
Base Rate: \$6.15 monthly  
+ \$.80 per thousand: up to 10,000 gallons  
+ \$.85 per thousand: 10,001 - 20,000 gallons  
+ \$.90 per thousand: all over 20,000 gallons
- 8.16 Water: Multi-Unit Residential With Separate Meters**  
Base Rate: \$6.15 monthly  
+ \$.80 per thousand: up to 10,000 gallons  
+ \$.85 per thousand: 10,001 - 20,000 gallons  
+ \$.90 per thousand: all over 20,000 gallons
- 8.17 Water: Multi-Unit Residential With Single Meter**  
Base Rate: \$6.15 monthly x number of units  
+ \$.80 per thousand: up to 10,000 gallons  
+ \$.85 per thousand: 10,001 - 20,000 gallons  
+ \$.90 per thousand: all over 20,000 gallons
- 8.18 Water: Single Unit Commercial (3 W 4 1) (3 W 4 O)**  
Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly  
+ \$.80 per thousand: up to 10,000 gallons  
+.85 per thousand: 10,001 - 20,000 gallons  
+ \$.90 per thousand: all over 20,000 gallons
- 8.19 Water: Multi-Unit Commercial With Separate Meters**

Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly x number of units  
+ \$.80 per thousand: up to 10,000 gallons  
+ \$.85 per thousand: 10,001 - 20,000 gallons  
+ \$.90 per thousand: all over 20,000 gallons

**8.20 Water: Multi-Unit Commercial With Single Meter**

Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly x number of units  
+ \$.80 per thousand: up to 10,000 gallons  
+ \$.85 per thousand: 10,001 - 20,000 gallons  
+ \$.90 per thousand: all over 20,000 gallons

**8.21 Water: Office Buildings**

Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly  
+ \$.80 per thousand: up to 10,000 gallons  
+ \$.85 per thousand: 10,001 - 20,000 gallons  
+ \$.90 per thousand: over 20,000 gallons

**8.22 Water: Municipal**

Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly  
+ \$.80 per thousand: up to 10,000 gallons  
+ \$.85 per thousand: 10,001 - 20,000 gallons  
+ \$.90 per thousand: over 20,000 gallons

**8.23 Water: Industrial**

Base Rate: \$13.00 monthly (includes first 12,000 gallons)  
+ \$.96 per 1,000 gallons for all over 12,000 gallons

**8.24 Water: Rural Water Districts**

\$1.26 per thousand

**8.25 Water: Bulk**

\$2.00 per thousand gallons

**8.26 Sewer: Single Unit Residential (3 S 1 1) (3 S 1 0)**

Base Rate: \$4.65 monthly  
+ \$.50 per thousand gallons water used up to 12,000 gallons  
Maximum Charge: \$9.90

**8.27 Sewer: Multi-Unit Residential With Separate Meters**

Base Rate: \$4.65 monthly  
+ \$.50 per thousand gallons water used up to 12,000 gallons  
Maximum Charge: \$9.90

**8.28 Sewer: Multi-Unit Residential With Single Meter**

Base Rate: \$4.65 monthly x number of units  
+ \$.50 per thousand gallons water used  
No Maximum

**8.29 Sewer: Single Unit Commercial (3 S 25)**

Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly  
+ \$.70 per thousand gallons water used

**8.30 Sewer: Multi-Unit Commercial With Separate Meters**

Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly  
+ \$.70 per thousand gallons water used

**8.31 Sewer: Multi-Unit Commercial With Single Meter**

Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly x number of units  
+ \$.70 per thousand gallons water used

- 8.32 **Sewer: Office Buildings**  
 Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly  
 + \$.70 per thousand gallons water used
- 8.33 **Sewer: Municipal (3 S 15)**  
 Base Rate: \$14.50 monthly  
 + \$.70 per thousand gallons water used
- 8.34 **Sewer: Industrial**  
 \$.96 per thousand gallons water used
- 8.35 **Sewer: Industrial Sewer Rate for Waste Treatment Plant No. 2**  
 \$11,850 monthly minimum charge  
 + \$12,000 debt reserve charge  
 + \$3.00 per thousand for use over 500,000 gpd  
 + \$.15 lb for biochemical oxygen demand for all in excess of  
 6,250 lbs. per day  
 + \$.10 lb for total suspended solids for all in excess of 4,165  
 lbs. per day
- 8.36 **Sewer: Industrial Sewer Rate for Waste Treatment Plant No. 3**  
 \$6,400 minimum monthly charge, first 165,000 gpd  
 + \$.96 per thousand for all in excess of 165,000 gpd  
 + 5% of total sewer charge for each 50 ppm of biochemical oxygen  
 demand for all in excess of 350 ppm  
 + 5% of total sewer charge for each 50 ppm of total suspended  
 solids for all in excess of 280 ppm
- 8.37 **Sewer: Residential Without Water Service**  
 Rate: \$14.85
- 8.38 **Natural Gas: Rates as set by NEOPFA**

**SECTION 9.0 PAYMENT RESPONSIBILITY:**

- 9.1 The person making the utility deposit is responsible for payment of the bill and will be lessee or owner.
- 9.2 There will be no splitting of bills for multi-units served by a single meter in order for tenants to share bills. This is lessors responsibility.

**SECTION 10.0 GENERAL**

- 10.1 There will not be multiple single unit residences or businesses served by one meter. (i.e., more than one house).
- EXCEPTION:** Those already in existence in the downtown area making the expense of the necessary plumbing for correction not practical.
- 10.2 There is to be no deviation from the rates as established in Section 8 of this policy or any additional rates used without the expressed consent of the Utility Board and the Stilwell City Council.

10.3 There will be a minimum base charge for each active meter.

10.4 Additional drops for special events will have installation charges paid in advance as estimated by the Construction Manager.

**SECTION 11 EMERGENCY: WHEREAS**, an immediate necessity exists therefor, for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist by reason whereof this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED by the Council this 2nd day of November, 1998.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 2nd day of November, 1998.

W. Neil Morton  
Mayor

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ATTEST: DEAN WATT  
City Clerk

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