



CONTRACT FOR WATER/SEWER SERVICE

This agreement made this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ by and between the Village of Sterling Board of Trustees (herein called the Village) and \_\_\_\_\_ (herein called resident), residing at \_\_\_\_\_ upon the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The Village hereby agrees to furnish water/sewer service to said resident at the rate of \$20 per month which includes 1,000 gallons of usage plus \$2.00 for every 1,000 gallons, then after usage exceeds 10,000 gallons per month the rate increases by \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons of usage every increment of 5,000 gallons of water usage up to 45,000 gallons each month. Also, an initial meter rate of \$10.00 per month for a term of five years in addition to the base monthly usage rate. And a sewer rate of \$15 per month.
2. It is expressly agreed and understood between the parties hereto that these utility services shall be maintained by the Village from the main to the curb stop or property line, whichever applies. The property owner is responsible for all other service lines and shall repair or replace them as needed. Should a leak occur in the service line, service shall be terminated until it is repaired by the property owner. If it is necessary to tear up the street for repairs it is the property owner's responsibility to replace the street with concrete/asphalt. Water meters shall be repaired or replaced by the Village with the exception of those that are damaged or destroyed through the neglect of the property owner or tenant/lease. Freezing constitutes neglect on the part of the property owner/resident and the repair or replacement charge will be their responsibility and billed by the Village.
3. It is expressly agreed that the property owner shall be liable for any costs in connection with the utility service to his property. In the case of a tenant or lease, a deposit of \$150.00 shall be paid when an application for service is filed. This deposit will be refunded without interest when the tenant or lease ceases to require service at that location and the utility bill is paid in full. If the deposit is forfeited, any remaining charges shall become a lien against the property and therefore the responsibility of the property owner. If the tenant or lease should become delinquent on payment of the utility bills according to the payment policy, as stated in the water/sewer billing software, the property owner shall be notified in writing. If service is discontinued, it will not be reconnected until the delinquent payment plus a reconnection fee of \$150 is made in full.
4. This contract is not transferable. Any person wishing to change from one location to another shall make a new application and sign a new contract. They will be required to pay a new deposit, and the previous deposit will be refunded as stated in paragraph three (3) above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have read this contract and signed this agreement this day and year.

Resident

Date

Village Clerk/Treasurer