

ORDINANCE NO. 2018- __01__

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 10, CHAPTER 10.08, PREVIOUSLY CODIFIED AS ORDINANCE NO. 81-1 AND ORDINANCE NO. 83-9, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 99-1; TO PROVIDE EXEMPTIONS FROM WATER DEPOSITS FOR CERTAIN WATER CUSTOMERS IN AND FOR THE CITY OF LAVACA, ARKANSAS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF LAVACA, ARKANSAS:

Title 10, Section 10.08.02(C), shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

- C. There is hereby established a required deposit for new customers of the Lavaca Water System, as follows: All renters: \$100.00 All homeowners: \$75.00

This deposit must be paid in advance at the Lavaca City Hall in addition to compliance with any other requirements of the Lavaca Water System and before any services will be provided. However, for homeowners no deposit shall be required if the water customer satisfactorily establishes and sets in place an automatic draft procedure whereby the monthly water and sewer charges for the customer are automatically drafted from the customer's bank account. Renters shall be entitled to establish automatic drafts and receive a refund of their deposit if after six months they have established a good account history with timely payments or if they can provide a letter from a previous water service provider establishing that they were customers in good standing and that they timely paid their monthly service fees. Should the customer's account have insufficient funds at any time for the payment of the customer's monthly water and sewer charges, customer shall then be required to pay the above stated and applicable deposit to the Lavaca Water System and within one month of the date that the automatic draft was declined due to insufficient funds.

This Ordinance being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and the same shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage.

Passed and approved this 12th day of February, 2018.

Shelly Hockaday

Hugh Hardgrave

Attest: Recorder

Mayor Hugh Hardgrave