ORDINANCE #2019-1

CITY OF WATKINS MEEKER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 51 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF WATKINS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC WORKS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATKINS, MEEKER COUNTY, MINNESOTA, ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 51.80 (Procedure for Shutoff of Service) of the Municipal Code of the City of Watkins, Minnesota hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 51.80 PROCEDURE FOR SHUTOFF OF SERVICE.

Water shall not be shut off under § 51.79 or for violation of rules and regulations affecting utility service until notice and an opportunity for a hearing have first been given the occupant of the premises involved. The notice shall be served by first class mail and shall state that if the bill is not paid before the close of business by the 20th of the following month in which the bill is due, the City Council will order a disconnection of the customer's utility services and a reconnection charge equal to \$150 \$200 shall be added to the charges. The notice shall also state that the occupant may, before such date, demand a hearing on the matter, in which case the supply will not be cut off until after the hearing. If the customer requests a hearing before the date specified, a hearing shall be held on the matter by the Clerk at least one week after the date of request. If as a result of the hearing the Clerk finds the amount claimed to owe is actually due and unpaid and that there is no legal reason why the water supply of the delinquent customer may not be shut off in accordance with the chapter, the city may shut off the supply. The water service shall not be turned back on until the delinquent amount is paid in full along with the \$150 \$200 reconnection fee provided for in § 51.79.

(Ord. 93-4, passed 11-18-1993; Am. Ord. 2008-4, passed 7-10-2008; Am. Ord. 2012-2, passed 8-9-2012)

Section 2. This ordinance becomes effective from and after its passage and publication.

Ordained by the Watkins City Council on this 11th day of April, 2019.

Those Council Members voting for: Eder, Wirz, Laumer, Unterberger, Tschumperlin

Those Council Members voting against: None

ATTEST: (SEAL)

Frank Eder, Mayor

Debra S. Kramer, Clerk