

The following Ordinance was moved for adoption by Mr. Ronnie Hayes and seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy.

**PROPOSITION NO. 332**

**ORDINANCE NO. 834**

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 618 setting sewer usage rates for the town.

WHEREAS, the Town of Welsh, Louisiana is vested with the authority to assess and collect fees for the use of sewer services provided by the town and to pass ordinances to set the sewer usage rates, and the Mayor and Board of Aldermen are desirous of exercising said power, now therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh, Louisiana, and it is hereby ordained by the same:

Section 1. That the Code of Ordinances, Town of Welsh, Louisiana, is hereby amended by adding a section, to be numbered Sec. 21-8 which said section reads as follows:

Section 21-8 Sewer Rates

The sewer rates for customers of the town are hereby set at a minimum rate of \$9.00 for usage of two thousand (2,000) gallons or less and an additional rate of \$5.50 for each additional one thousand (1,000) gallons of usage thereafter for Residential Customers, Commercial Customers minimum rate of \$10.24 for usage of two thousand (2,000) gallons or less and an additional rate of \$5.76 for each additional one thousand (1,000) gallons of usage thereafter, and Industrial Customers minimum rate of \$11.24 for usage of two thousand (2,000) gallons or less and an additional rate of \$5.76 for each additional one thousand (1,000) gallons of usage thereafter. The effective date is August 1, 2023.

- a. The rates established in this article shall be reviewed annually by the town and revised upward or downward as necessary to reflect, at a minimum, revenues to pay the actual cost of administration, operation, maintenance, extension, development, and improvement, including debt service and reserve requirements on any revenue bond of the sewer system.
- b. A rate adjustment may be made only after review of the computations by the town clerk, town superintendent and certified public accountants of the town, and their certification that such amount will provide the necessary revenues for the system.
- c. Regulation promulgated under this article shall provide for the right of appeal for refund of user fees paid under protest with respect to any provision of this article, directly to the mayor and board of aldermen.

After public hearing was held on the above ordinance, the title having been read and the ordinance considered for adoption the vote was taken and the following result was:

Vote by roll call follows:

Yeas: Andrea King, Ronnie Hayes, Clint Hardy, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Lawrence Mier

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on this 5th day of July, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
KARL ARCENEUX, MAYOR

ATTEST:  
\_\_\_\_\_

EVA C. KIBODEAUX  
Town Clerk

I certify that the foregoing ordinance was presented to the Mayor by me on \_\_\_\_\_,  
2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
EVA C. KIBODEAUX, CLERK

I acknowledge receipt of the above ordinance from the clerk on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
KARL ARCENEUX, MAYOR

I hereby \_\_\_\_\_ the ordinance on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
KARL ARCENEUX, MAYOR

I certify the above ordinance was received by me from the Mayor on  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
EVA C. KIBODEAUX, CLERK