



**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE # 22-14**

**Establishing a Fee for Failure to Replace a Water Meter in a Timely Manner
Florham Park Water Utility, Borough of Florham Park**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Florham Park Water Utility has tried to contact property owners for the past two years regarding the replacement of their water meter and;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Florham Park Water Utility owns these water meters and;

WHEREAS, in certain instances property owners have not responded to repeated attempts to schedule a water meter replacement which is creating an undue burden on the Borough of Florham Park Water Utility and;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Florham Park Water Utility will now impose fees if the property owner does not respond to three correspondences(reminder sticker on water bill, door hanger, letter and telephone call) from the Borough of Florham Park Water Utility and;

WHEREAS, these imposed fees if unpaid will become a lien on the property and;

WHEREAS, if the property owner continues to be nonresponsive their water main will be shut-off 30 days after fees are imposed and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Florham Park, the County of Morris, New Jersey amends and supplements the following:

SECTION 1. Chapter 244, Article VI, Subsection 44 is here by supplemented by adding a new subsection to reflect the following changes in fees to be paid to the Borough of Florham Park:

Consumers of water supplied by the Borough Water System shall be charged on a quarterly basis at the following rates per 100 cubic feet based upon the actual consumption:

*Consumption Unit	2020 Rate	2022 Rate
Residential		
0-10 cu	\$3.36	\$3.36
11-50 cu	\$2.60	\$2.60
51-100 cu	\$3.53	\$3.53
101-300 cu	\$5.04	\$5.04
301 and above	\$5.80	\$5.80
Commercial		
0-10 cu	\$5.04	\$5.04
11-50 cu	\$2.60	\$2.60
51-900 cu	\$3.53	\$3.53
901 and above	\$5.12	\$5.12
Four Way Meters		
0-40 cu	\$20.16	\$20.16
41-200 cu	\$2.60	\$2.60
201-400 cu	\$3.53	\$3.53
401-1200 cu	\$5.04	\$5.04
1201 and above	\$5.80	\$5.80
Minimum Bill-Residential	\$33.60	\$33.60
Minimum Bill-Commercial	\$50.40	\$50.40
Minimum Bill- Four Way Meter	\$201.60	\$201.60

*Consumption Unit- 1 cu=100 cubic feet=748 gallons

Residential.

1. Minimum quarterly billing will be \$33.60 and \$33.60 beginning in the year 2022. In those instances when actual consumption results in bills of less than the minimum bill, the consumer will be charged the minimum amount.
2. Consumers of water supplied by the New Jersey American Water Company in the franchise area shall be charged on a quarterly basis at the rate to be established by the Board of Public Utilities of the State of New Jersey. Bills will be sent by NJAWC.
3. Consumers of water supplied by the Borough of Madison Water and Light Department along Carrigan Lane and Burnet Road shall be charged on a quarterly basis at rates which the supplier charges the Borough of Florham Park. Bills will be sent by the Borough of Florham Park and a service charge of \$10.00 per quarter will be charged.
4. Consumers of water supplied by the Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority in the area of Park Avenue and Punchbowl Road and not supplied by the franchise shall be charged on a quarterly basis at rates which the supplier charges the Borough of Florham Park. Bills will be sent by the Borough of Florham Park and a service charge of \$10.00 per quarter will be charged.

Fees for Services

Fees for services rendered by the Water Department shall be as follows:

Service	2020 Rate	2022 Rate
A. Inspection of all main and service line construction, repairs and testing.	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof
B. Tapping of main, construction of service line (10 ft. max, market price thereafter) for, owner gets		
Street opening permit, excavates and backfills		
a) Meter provided by Borough of Florham Park	\$336.00	\$336.00
b) Borough of Florham Park inspects	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof
1. All three-fourth(3/4')and one-inch service (1"), owner gets street opening permit, excavates and backfills	\$1,554.00	\$1,554.00
a) Meter provided by Borough of Florham Park	\$462.00	\$462.00
b) Borough of Florham Park inspects	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof
2. All one-inch and one quarter service (1 1/4"), owner gets street opening permit, excavates and backfills	\$2,045.00	\$2,045.00
a) Borough of Florham Park inspects	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof
3. All one-inch and one half service (1 1/2"), owner gets street opening permit, excavates and backfills	\$2,171.00	\$2,171.00
a) Meter provided by	\$767.00	\$767.00

	Borough of Florham Park		
	b) Borough of Florham Park inspects	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof
4.	All two-inch service (2"), owner gets street opening permit, excavates and backfills	\$2,332.00	\$2,332.00
	a) Meter provided by Borough of Florham Park	\$ 1,022.00	\$1,022.00
	b) Borough of Florham Park inspects	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof
5.	*Larger Services (owner gets permit, furnishes meter and all material, excavates and backfills)		
	a) Borough of Florham Park Inspection	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof	\$740 per day; \$92 per hour or fraction thereof
	* - Work may be done by builder with permit from Borough of Florham Park Water Department		
6.	Connection Fee		
	Residential Service Unit		\$1,105.00
	Equivalent Service Unit		\$1,105.00
	50 % or more demolition/tear down/alteration		\$552.50
7.	Couplings		\$20.00 ea
C.	Temporary Service:		
	1. Fee for temporary service (per dwelling) plus a month fee of \$30	\$252.00	\$252.00
	2. Business and industrial (per building) plus a monthly fee of \$100	\$504.00	\$504.00
D.	Resetting, repairing or replacement of curb box, including all materials and labor	\$756.00	\$756.00

E. Shut off or turn on of service during:		
1. Business hours	\$58.80	\$58.80
2. After hours	\$200.00(first 4hr) (\$45/hr thereafter)	\$200.00(first 4hrs) (\$45/hr thereafter)
3. Sunday & Holidays	\$200.00(first 4 hrs) (\$45/hr thereafter)	\$200.00(first 4hrs) (\$45/hr thereafter)
F. Meter Test	\$42.00	\$42.00
G. Penalty for late bill (30 days overdue)	\$33.60	\$33.60
H. Hydrant maintenance inspection (Flushing)	\$92.40	\$92.40
I. Painting and flushing of private hydrants	responsibility of owner	
J. Hydrant use permit	\$588.00	\$588.00
K. Fee for temporary water service from fire hydrant (8 hours)	\$840.00	\$840.00

Fees for Fire Service

Fees for the provision of Borough water service to the fire-fighting systems which are privately owned shall be as follows:

Service	2020 Fee (per quarter)	2022 Fee (per quarter)
Each Hydrant	\$36.00	\$36.00
Sprinkler service, two inches (2") at building line	\$30.00	\$30.00
Sprinkler service, three inches (3") at building line	\$42.00	\$42.00
Sprinkler service, four inches (4") at building line	\$60.00	\$60.00
Sprinkler service, six inches (6") at building line	\$72.00	\$72.00
Sprinkler service, eight inches (8") at building line	\$102.00	\$102.00

For each five thousand (5,000) square feet or part over one hundred thousand (100,000) square feet, there will be charged an additional fifty dollars (\$50.00)

SECTION 2. Unless another penalty is provided by New Jersey statute, every person convicted of a violation of a provision of this Ordinance or any supplement thereto shall be liable to a penalty.

SECTION 3. To the extent this Ordinance shall repeal, alter, amend any section of the Borough Code, the language of this Ordinance shall be controlling and in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Fees for Failure to Replace a Water Meter in a Timely Manner (After 3 Notifications)

All five-eighth (5/8"), three-fourth (3/4"), and one-inch (1") \$880.00

All one and one-fourths (1 1/4"), one and one-half (1 1/2"), and two-inch (2") \$1,600.00

All greater than two-inch (2") to four-inch (4") \$2,250.00

INTRODUCED: August 18, 2022

ADOPTED: September 15, 2022

Mark Taylor, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maryann Lang, RMC
Deputy Municipal Clerk