

ORDINANCE 2025-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2019-02, SECTION 1 (A) ENTITLED "MINIMUM WATER AND SEWER RATES SCHEDULES" ESTABLISHING NEW WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE CITY OF BULL SHOALS, ARKANSAS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bull Shoals, Arkansas previously passed Ordinance 2019-02, which Ordinance established respective schedules for water and sewer rates and penalties charges in connection with services relating thereto; and,

Whereas, the City must collect revenues to satisfy any and all indebtedness relating to the operation and maintenance of the water and sewer system and to satisfy bonds and loans incurred in the construction and establishment of the city water and sewer system as well as provide future repair, maintenance and improvements, and,

Whereas, due to the increase in the operating expense of water and cost of disposal of sewage, the City Council desires to establish new water and sewer rates for the City of Bull Shoals, Arkansas which have been recommended by the water and sewer rate study conducted by Kopke & Associates Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BULL SHOALS, ARKANSAS THAT:

Section one; the following monthly rates which the City Council hereby finds and declares are fair, reasonable, and necessary shall be as follows:

<u>Connection</u>	<u>Water Rates</u>		<u>Water Rates</u>		<u>Sewer Rates</u>	
	Starting July 1 st , 2025,		Starting January 1 st , 2026,		No Change	
Connection size	Minimum Bill		Minimum Bill		Minimum Bill	
¾"	\$ 21.30	2,000 gallons	\$ 23.58	2,000 gallons	\$21.35	2,000 gallons
1"	\$ 31.23	3,000 gallons	\$ 34.57	3,000 gallons	\$27.18	3,000 gallons
1 ½"	\$ 62.41	7,000 gallons	\$ 69.09	7,000 gallons	\$52.32	7,000 gallons
2"	\$112.80	13,000 gallons	\$124.88	13,000 gallons	\$91.32	13,000 gallons
3"	\$262.58	26,000 gallons	\$290.72	26,000 gallons	\$251.10	26,000 gallons
4"	\$383.11	40,000 gallons	\$424.15	40,000 gallons	\$347.81	240,000 gallons

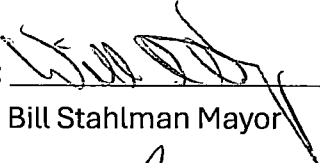
All Usage over minimum: July 1st, 2025, \$6.27/per 1000 gallons On January 1st, 2026, \$6.94/per 1000 gallons

In addition to the rates specified above, water service charges and sewer service charges shall each increase annually at a rate of two percent or a rate equal to the Federal Consumer Price Index, whichever of the two is greater.

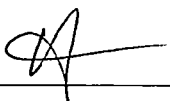
Section Two: This Ordinance shall amend and be superior to all provisions of Ordinance 2019-02 passed February 28th, 2019, and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section Three: It is hereby ascertained and declared that the immediate contemplated revision in monthly water and sewer rates of the City are necessary to continue to provide for the continued health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the City, therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed by the City Council of Bull Shoals, Arkansas, on this 26th, of June 2025.

APPROVED: 
Bill Stahlman Mayor

VOTE: YAYS 6 NAYS 0

ATTEST: 
Paula Reynolds Recorder