

## ORDINANCE NO. 309 I

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING RATES FOR WATER, SEWER AND ELECTRIC EFFECTIVE March 1, 2026, INCREASING July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028 & July 1, 2029; MAKING DEFINITIONS; SETTING POLICY AND RESPONSIBILITY; REPEALING ORDINANCE 309 D, ORDINANCE 309 E, ORDINANCE 309 F, ORDINANCE 309 G, ORDINANCE H, AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Stilwell, Oklahoma:

**SECTION 1.0 PURPOSE:** To establish and maintain uniform utility rates for all customers.

**SECTION 2.0 POLICY:** It is the policy of the Stilwell Utility Department and the Stilwell Area Development Authority to have utility rates that are approved by the Board of Directors and the City Council and to adhere to those rates.

**SECTION 3.0 APPLICABILITY:** This policy applies to all utilities including electric, water and sewer.

**SECTION 4.0 RESPONSIBILITY FOR ADMINISTRATION:** Billing Department

**SECTION 5.0 QUESTIONS:** Any questions regarding this policy should be directed to the Billing Department or the Utility General Manager and/or his/her designated representative.

**SECTION 6.0 DEFINITIONS:**

**6.1 Single Unit:** Any one-of-a-kind, i.e. residential, business, etc.

**6.1.1 Senior Citizen Electric Rate:** A rate of 10% less than the current residential rate for citizens age 65 and over, for their principal residence only.

**6.2 Multi-Unit:** More than one, i.e. duplex, triplex, two or more businesses in one building, etc.

**6.3 Municipal:** Are locations owned and/or used by the city or a sub-section of the city.

**6.4 Industrial:** Dedicated to some type of manufacturing or other process that furthers the value of raw materials.

**6.5 Security Lights:** Lights installed on city utility poles for individual customers and paid by flat monthly rate.

**6.6 Commercial:** Businesses that are primarily involved in providing service(s), product(s), or sale(s) to the general public or other businesses (may include non-profit entities). Also may be applied in the context of services to any location not specifically otherwise designated as Municipal, Residential, or Industrial, e.g. office building, storage for rent, etc.

**6.7 Cost- Electric:** Equals 124% as of March 1, 2026(previously approved), 127% as of July 1,

2027, 130% as of July 1, 2028, 133% as of July 1, 2029, of kWh cost plus kW demand cost.

- 6.8 Rural Water Districts:** Organizations that buy and resell water to designated areas or territories.
- 6.9 Residential Sewer Without Water:** Sewer charge for those residential customers served by rural water districts.
- 6.10 Bulk Water:** Water metered through a fire hydrant for special purposes, e.g., construction, railroad, tank trucks, etc.
- 6.11 Special Events:** Are not metered and have no requirement for special drops, i.e., Strawberry Festival. Each 24-hour period is considered an event.

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**8.1 Electric: Residential**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
First 100 kWh	Cost + .05020	Cost + .04545	Cost + .04071
Next 200 kWh	Cost + .03380	Cost + .02905	Cost + .02431
Next 300 kWh	Cost + .02620	Cost + .02145	Cost + .01671
All over 600 kWh	Cost + .05020	Cost + .04545	Cost + .04071

**8.1.1 Electric: Senior Citizen Residential x .90**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$22.50</b>	<b>\$27.00</b>
First 100 kWh	Cost + .04518	Cost + .04090	Cost + .03664
Next 200 kWh	Cost + .03042	Cost + .02614	Cost + .02188
Next 300 kWh	Cost + .02358	Cost + .01930	Cost + .01504
All over 600 kWh	Cost + .04518	Cost + .04090	Cost + .03664

**8.2 Electric: Single Unit Commercial**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>
First 100 kWh	Cost + .09298	Cost + .09615	Cost + .09946
Next 400 kWh	Cost + .08428	Cost + .08745	Cost + .09076
All over 500 kWh	Cost + .05468	Cost + .05785	Cost + .06116

**8.2.1 Electric: Single Unit Commercial (Out)**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>
First 100 kWh	Cost + .09298	Cost + .09615	Cost + .09946
Next 400 kWh	Cost + .08428	Cost + .08745	Cost + .09076
All over 500 kWh	Cost + .05468	Cost + .05785	Cost + .06116

**8.2.2 Electric: Commercial – Heavy Use – 50,000 kWh or more monthly (4IH)**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>
First 99,999 kWh	Cost + .04017	Cost + .04198	Cost + .04381
All over 100,000 kWh	Cost + .02877	Cost + .03058	Cost + .03241

**8.3 Electric: Municipal**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>

All kWh	Cost + .03682	Cost + .04099	Cost + .04536
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**8.4 Electric: Industrial Heavy Use over 100,000 kWh**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$170.00</b>	<b>\$220.00</b>	<b>\$270.00</b>
First 2,000,000 kWh	Cost + .02988	Cost + .03422	Cost + .03875
2,000,001-3,000,000 kWh	Cost + .03573	Cost + .04573	Cost + .05573
3,000,001-4,000,000 kWh	Cost + .03573	Cost + .04573	Cost + .05573
All over 4,000,000 kWh	Cost + .03573	Cost + .04573	Cost + .05573
Demand Charge	\$13.15	\$13.15	\$13.15

**8.5 Electric: Industrial Medium Use 50,000 - 100,000 kWh**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>\$120.00</b>
All kWh	Cost + .05500	Cost + .06500	Cost + .07500

**8.6 Electric: Industrial Light Use under 50,000 kWh**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
<b>Monthly Base Rate</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>
<b>First 100 kWh</b>	Cost + .12520	Cost + .12520	Cost + .12520
<b>Next 400 kWh</b>	Cost + .11020	Cost + .11020	Cost + .11020
<b>All over 500 kWh</b>	Cost + .06915	Cost + .07915	Cost + .08915

**8.7 Electric: Security Lights (monthly cost)**

Effective	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
8.11.1 100-175-Watt equivalent (existing pole)	\$8.66	\$9.03	\$9.41
8.11.2 250-Watt equivalent (existing pole)	\$15.32	\$15.97	\$16.65
8.11.3 400-Watt equivalent (existing pole)	\$23.23	\$24.22	\$25.25
8.11.4 1000-Watt equivalent (existing pole)	\$50.70	\$52.85	\$55.09
8.11.5 100-175-Watt equivalent (new pole)	\$10.90	\$11.36	\$11.84
8.11.6 250-Watt equivalent (new pole)	\$17.57	\$18.31	\$19.09
8.11.7 400-Watt equivalent (new pole)	\$25.48	\$26.56	\$27.68
8.11.8 1000-Watt equivalent (new pole)	\$52.94	\$55.19	\$57.53

**8.8 Electric: Special Events**

<b>\$50.00 per connection for each 24-hour period paid in advance- See Sections 6.11 and 10.4</b>
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**8.9 Water: Single Unit Residential**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$14.75	\$15.00	\$15.50	\$16.00
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$2.95	\$3.05	\$3.15	\$3.25

**8.10 Water: Single Commercial Unit**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$25.50	\$26.25	\$27.00	\$27.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$2.95	\$3.05	\$3.15	\$3.25

**8.11 Water: Multi-Unit Commercial With Single Meter**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate: Per unit	\$25.50	\$26.25	\$27.00	\$27.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$2.95	\$3.05	\$3.15	\$3.25

**8.12 Water: Municipal**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$25.50	\$26.25	\$27.00	\$27.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$2.95	\$3.05	\$3.15	\$3.25

**8.13 Water: Industrial**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$25.50	\$26.25	\$27.00	\$27.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$3.30	\$3.40	\$3.50	\$3.60

**8.14 Water: Rural Water Districts**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$25.50	\$26.25	\$27.00	\$27.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$4.15	\$4.25	\$4.40	\$4.50

**8.15 Water: Bulk Water**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$25.50	\$26.25	\$27.00	\$27.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$4.15	\$4.25	\$4.40	\$4.50

**8.16 Sewer: Single Unit Residential**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$26.00	\$28.50	\$31.50	\$34.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$6.95	\$7.65	\$8.40	\$9.25

**8.17 Sewer: Single Unit Commercial**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$51.00	\$56.00	\$61.50	\$67.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$6.95	\$7.65	\$8.40	\$9.25

**8.18 Sewer: Multi-Unit Commercial With Single Meter**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate: Per unit	\$51.00	\$56.00	\$61.50	\$67.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$6.95	\$7.65	\$8.40	\$9.25

**8.19 Sewer: Municipal**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$26.00	\$28.50	\$31.50	\$34.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$4.00	\$4.40	\$4.85	\$5.35

**8.20 Sewer: Industrial (existing customers – effective date of ordinance)**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$51.00	\$56.00	\$61.50	\$67.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$8.99	\$9.90	\$10.90	\$12.00

**Sewer: Industrial – The Schwan Food Company**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$51.00	\$56.00	\$61.50	\$67.75
Price per 1,000 gallons	\$8.99	\$9.90	\$10.90	\$12.00

\$0.15 per pound for biochemical oxygen demand for all in excess of 6,250 lbs. per day

\$0.10 per pound for total suspended solids for all in excess of 4,165 lbs. per day

**8.21 Sewer: Sewer: Residential-No Water Service**

Effective	March 1, 2026	July 1, 2027	July 1, 2028	July 1, 2029
Monthly Base Rate	\$39.90	\$43.79	\$48.30	\$53.25

**9.0 Payment Responsibility**

- 9.1 The person/entity making the utility deposit is responsible for payment of the bill and will be lessee or owner.
- 9.2 There will be no splitting of bills for multi-units served by a single meter in order for tenants to share bills. This is the lessor’s responsibility

**10.0 General**

- 10.1 There will not be multiple single unit residences or businesses served by one meter (i.e. more than one house).  
  
EXCEPTION: Those already in existence in the downtown area making the expense of the necessary plumbing for correction not practical
- 10.2 There is to be no deviation from the rates as established in Section 8 of this ordinance or any additional rates used without the express consent of the Utility Board and the Stilwell City Council except as authorized in Section 10.5 below.
- 10.3 There will be a minimum base charge for each active meter.
- 10.4 Additional drops for special events will have installation charges paid in advance as estimated by the Construction Manager.
- 10.5 Distributed Generation: Customers electing to utilize distributed generation will be charged for all electric usage (including any distributed generation they may utilize), and credit, if any, will be calculated based on the avoided cost for that distributed generation energy. No Sales by customer or credit in excess of monthly bill are authorized.

**Section 11. REPEALER** That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby cancelled and repealed.

**Section 12. EMERGENCY WHEREAS** an immediate necessity exists therefore for the preservation of public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist by reason whereof this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED by the Council this 17th day of February, 2026.  
APPROVED by the Mayor this 17th day of February, 2026.

ATTEST:

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Jean Ann Wright, Mayor

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Larry Nettles, City Clerk-Treasurer