

ORDINANCE NO. 26- 01

AN ORDINANCE REVISING RATES FOR WATER SERVICE AND FOR SEWER SERVICE FOR CUSTOMERS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE VILLAGE OF HECKER, ILLINOIS

BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Hecker, St. Clair and Monroe Counties, Illinois, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village of Hecker, Counties of St. Clair and Monroe, State of Illinois, is authorized and empowered by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Code of Ordinances of Hecker, Illinois provides at Section 38-4-12 certain rates for water service for customers of the Village, effective as of **January 1, 2024** pursuant to adjustment as provided by ordinance, as follows:

38-4-12 WATER RATES. There shall be established the following rates and charges for the use of the water system of the Village, based upon the amount of water consumed, as follows:

- (A) **WATER SERVICE- INSIDE VILLAGE LIMITS**
\$13.65 Minimum for the first 1,000 gallons per month
\$7.92 per 1,000 gallons over 1,000 gallons

- (B) **WATER SERVICE-OUTSIDE VILLAGE LIMITS**
\$16.09 Minimum for the first 1,000 gallons per month
\$10.11 per 1,000 gallons over 1,000 gallons

- (C) **WATER SERVICE-MAPLE LEAF SUBDIVISION**
\$16.09 Minimum for the first 1,000 gallons per month
\$10.11 per 1,000 gallons over 1,000 gallons
\$25.00 per month as repayment of Environmental Protection Agency loan authorized by Ordinance 02-03; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Code of Ordinances of Hecker, Illinois provides at Section 38-4-23 certain rates for sewer service for customers of the Village, effective as of **January 1, 2024** pursuant to adjustment as provided by ordinance, as follows:

38-4-23 USER RATES. The following user rate is hereby established the use of and for service supplied by the Wastewater Facilities of the Village to-wit:

- \$5.28 Minimum for the first 1,000 gallons per month
\$3.52 per each 1,000 gallons over the first 1,000 gallons

The minimum charge of Five Dollars Twenty-Eight Cents (\$5.28) monthly shall be applied to all users whose water consumption does not exceed one thousand (1,000) gallons monthly.

All non-metered residential users of wastewater facilities shall pay a minimum flat rate charge of \$17.57 per month, except in the event that use of wastewater facilities is determined by the Superintendent to be in excess of one thousand (1,000) gallons monthly, the Superintendent may require such flat rate user to install metering devices on the water supply or sewer main to measure the amount of service supplied; and

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities have determined that the rates charged by the Village for water service and sewer service must, in the best interest of the Village, be increased for all customers of the Village.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Hecker, St. Clair and Monroe Counties, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 38-4-12 of the Revised Code of Ordinances of Hecker, Illinois is hereby amended as follows:

38-4-12 **WATER RATES.** There shall be established the following rates and charges for the use of the water system of the Village, based upon the amount of water consumed, as follows: See attached Exhibit A.

- (D) The water rates established by this Section for use of water services provided by the Village shall be effective as of May 1, 2026. Such rates shall then be adjusted effective as of January 1, 2029, and each calendar year thereafter to effect an increase of five percent (5.0 %) over the respective water rate applicable for the calendar year immediately prior to such increase. However, the monthly repayment amount for the Environmental Protection Agency loan which is applicable to the Maple Leaf Subdivision shall not be subject to this automatic increase provision.

SECTION 2: Section 38-4-23 of the Revised Code of Ordinances of Hecker, Illinois is hereby amended as follows:

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The rates established by this Section for use of wastewater facilities provided by the Village shall be effective as of May 1, 2026. Such rates shall then be adjusted effective as of January 1, 2029, and each calendar year thereafter to effect an increase of five percent (5.0 %) over the respective wastewater facilities rate applicable for the calendar year immediately prior to such increase; and

SECTION 3: The revised rates provided by this Ordinance shall become effective as of May 1, 2026.

SECTION 4: All ordinances, resolutions, and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect, except for the effective date of the revised rates, immediately upon its adoption, approval, and publication, as provided by law.

PASSED by the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hecker, St. Clair and Monroe Counties, Illinois this 10th day of March, 2026, pursuant to the following vote:

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT
Arnie Eckart	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____
Rich Happel	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____
Deanna Louveau	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____
Jim Mueth	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____
Douglas Van Buren	_____	_____	<u>✓</u>
Gary Wittenauer	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF HECKER, ILLINOIS

BY: Aaron E. Eckart
Aaron Eckart, Village, President

ATTEST:

Annette Schreder
Annette Schreder, Village Clerk

Adopted this 10 day of March, 2026.
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EXHIBIT A

In-Town Water	Minimum	Current	\$15.05
		May 1, 26	\$18.00
		Jan 1, 27	\$18.00
		Jan 1, 28	\$18.00
	Add 1000	Current	\$8.74
		May 1, 26	\$12.00
		Jan 1, 27	\$15.00
		Jan 1, 28	\$15.00
Out Town Water (Incl Mapleleaf)	Minimum	Current	\$17.75
		May 1, 26	\$21.00
		Jan 1, 27	\$21.00
		Jan 1, 28	\$21.00
	Add 1000	Current	\$11.15
		May 1, 26	\$14.25
		Jan 1, 27	\$17.25
		Jan 1, 28	\$17.25
Sewer	Minimum	Current	\$5.82
		May 1, 26	\$6.00
		Jan 1, 27	\$7.00
		Jan 1, 28	\$9.00
	Add 1000	Current	\$3.89
		May 1, 26	\$4.00
		Jan 1, 27	\$5.50
		Jan 1, 28	\$7.00
Sewer Non-Metered	Current	\$19.37	
	May 1, 26	\$20.00	
	Jan 1, 27	\$20.75	
	Jan 1, 28	\$21.50	