CITY OF DIAMOND CITY, ARKANSAS
ORDINANCE NUMBER 08-2015

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF DIAMOND CITY, BOONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS TO AMEND ORDINANCE 03-11 TO RESTRUCTURE THE DOWNSTREAM/SPRINKLER METER SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, the City of Diamond City has entered into a signed contract with the citizens of Diamond City to provide a portable meter for use in watering lawns and gardens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Diamond City is responsible for determining a reasonable meter rental rate to open a new account with the City of Diamond City; and

WHEREAS, the City must utilize all means available to collect revenue to repair and maintain the water system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF DIAMOND CITY DOES HEREBY AMEND ORDINANCE 03-11 AS FOLLOWS:

Amend SECTION IV, Para. 4., as follows:

Delete current wording in paragraph 4 and replace with the following:

4. There is a yearly rental fee of $30.00 dollars for a downstream/sprinkler meter. The rental fee is due May 1st of each year. The rental fee will be automatically added to the downstream/sprinkler meter bill on the May 1st billing (April usage) of each successive year.

Add the following paragraphs:

5. There will be a $10.00 connection fee charged for each new account. This is to pay for the connections that go on each end of the meters.

6. Public Works will begin reading the meters during the April reading cycle and will do the last reading in October. The customer would still remove and store the meters on their own for the winter months.

7. The customer will be required to ensure that the meters are readily available for Public Works personnel to read each month. If a customer does not make sure that the meter is available they will be required to turn the meter in and no longer have the use of a downstream meter.

8. Customers will only be able to rent one meter per residence or business. Multiple downstream meters will not be allowed at one location. Customers who have a sprinkler meter will also be able to have a downstream meter at one location.

SEVERABILITY
This ordinance and the various parts thereof are hereby declared to be severable. Should any section or subsection be declared by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the ordinance as a whole, or any portion thereof other the section or subsection to be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE

It is hereby declared that the health, welfare, and safety of the citizens of Diamond City, Arkansas will be endangered unless the provisions hereof have immediate effect and therefore this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Approved and adopted by roll call vote as follows this 21 day of April, 2015.

Ayes 4  Nays 0  Abstentions 0  Absent 2

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Amendment, 06-2015 to Ordinance 03-11 was duly adopted by the City Council of Diamond City, Arkansas.

ATTEST:

Cheryl Guthrie
Recorder

APPROVED:

Jan Hudson
Mayor

PROOF OF POSTING OF ORDINANCE
STATE OF ARKANSAS

COUNTY OF BOONE

We, Jan Hudson and Cheryl Guthrie, do solemnly swear that as Mayor and City Recorder, respectively, of and for the City of Diamond City, Boone County, Arkansas, that a certified copy of Ordinance No. 08-2015 was, on the 31 day of April, 2015, duly posted in five separate and distinct places inside the corporate limits of the Town in accordance with Ordinance No. 03 – 10 of the City, and that Ordinance No. 07-2015 remain posted for thirty (30) days.

Dated this 31 day of April, 2015.

Cheryl Guthrie
Recorder

Jan Hudson
Mayor