#### **ORDINANCE NO. 07-01**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15-02 OF THE HEBRON CITY ORDINANCES OF 1971 REGARDING SERVICE IN THE CITY OF HEBRON, COUNTY OF MORTON, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HEBRON, COUNTY OF MORTON, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, AS FOLLOWS:

That Section 15-0203 Water Service – Application For is hereby amended to read as follows:

# 15-203.1.1 Water Service – Application For

Any party desiring water service from said utility for premises not theretofore connected with the system shall apply for a connection on a form provided by the municipality. Any new water service accounts shall likewise apply in the same manner as herein described. Such applications shall state an exact description of the premises to be served, and, the use, both general and special, to which the water is to be put, and the estimated amount of water to be used for a quarter-annual period. Such application shall be filed with the City Auditor, and the applicant shall thereupon pay to the City Auditor as and for a new account application fee the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Such payment shall be returned to the applicant if the application for water utility service is refused.

- II. That Section 15-0211 Water Service Meter Deposits, is hereby revoked in its entirety.
- III. That Section 15-0215 Regulations Governing Service, is hereby amended to read as follows:

# 15-0215 Regulations Governing Service

The following rules and regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who takes water supplied by the City through the City waterworks system and every such person who takes water shall be considered as having expressed his agreement to be bound thereby.

 No person except an authorized employee of the water department shall shut off or turn on the water at the curbcock to any premises without first obtaining permission from the water department.

2. In the case of making repairs or constructing new work, the City reserves the right to shut off the water at once and keep the same shut off as long as may be necessary to accomplish such purposes. The City shall in such case make such effort as is practicable to give previous notice to consumers.

3. It is expressly provided that the City shall in no event be or becomes liable to any consumer of water for a deficiency in the supply of water or the quality thereof, whether by shutting off the same to make repairs or to construct new work or for any other cause whatsoever.

4. Should the City deem it necessary and appropriate to disconnect any consumer's water service from the City waterworks system for non-payment of their water bill, or for otherwise failing to comply with this Chapter, there shall be charged against said property, and the owner thereof, a Fifty Dollar (\$50) re-connect fee prior to the City resuming to provide water to said premises.

5. Any consumer electing to discontinue their water service of their own accord and with a paid-up City water bill, may have their water service re-connected for a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00).

6. Authorized employees of the water department shall have free access to any premises supplied with water, at proper times, to inspect and ascertain the condition of the meters and fixtures, or for reading meters, and no owner or occupant shall refuse such employees such access. The water department shall have the right to enter any premises and remove the meter for the purpose of examination and test after first notifying the owner or occupant, and to shut off the water to premises where free access is prevented.

7. No person, except City employees in their performance of their official duties, shall open or cause to be opened any fire hydrant without the written permission of the water

superintendent.

### IV. Severability

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed and rescinded.

#### V. Effective Date

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon the publication of the title and penalty provision in the official newspaper of the municipality.

## VI. Savings Clause

If any portion of this Ordinance or its application to any persons or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance or the application of the provisions to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

CITY OF HEBRON

LEROY THOMAS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LAUREL JOHNSON, CITY AUDITOR

Introduction and First Reading: June 4, 2007 Second Reading and Final Passage: July 2, 2007 Publication of Title and Penalty Clause: July 11, 2007

Effective Date: July 11, 2007