

RESOLUTION FIXING LOCAL TAP-IN FEES FOR THE WHISPERING WILLOWS WATERLINE PROJECT, HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP, ASHTABULA COUNTY WATER SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Ashtabula County will own and operate a water line located in the unincorporated areas of the County and connected to the Ashtabula County Water System, known as the Whispering Willow Waterline extension in Harpersfield Township; and

WHEREAS, Whispering Willows MHP has contracted with an independent contractor for the installation portion of a waterline project located in Harpersfield Township, described as follows:

The project involves the installation of 3,877 feet of 12” waterline along a section of State Route 307. The starting point for this project begins near parcel number 22-006-00-025-00 and marked as Laurello Winery. The end point is parcel number 22-006-00-001-00 and marked as Whispering Willows Mobile Home Park.

WHEREAS, Ashtabula County Department of Environmental Services (ACDES) will contribute towards the watermain cost by providing engineering and waiving capacity fees. The owners, Whispering Willows MHP, will be paying a total of \$444,372.00 which includes the cost of an independent contractor and the full project cost to install the water main and necessary restorations; and

WHEREAS, Whispering Willow MHP requested a local fee set at \$8,000.00 payable to the owner Gemstone Communities, 520 N Main St., Royal Oak, MI 48067 as project cost recovery. The term for this local fee is 10 years, expiring in year 2035. Local fees collected by ACDES for new taps will be reimbursed accordingly upon collection. Current County tap in fees will be added to the \$8,000.00 at the time the permit is pulled and are not subject to reimbursement. Fifteen (15) parcels are located in the project area; however, if a lot split should occur, additional parcels could be affected by this local fee; and

WHEREAS, the following is a list of all affected property owners:

CURRENT PARCELS	CURRENT OWNER	ADDRESS	
22-006-00-007-00	DOUGLAS BROWN	4536	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-006-00	GLADYS GREY	0	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-027-00	DANIEL VAUGHAN	4465	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-028-00 *	JJJ PROPERTIES LLC	4455	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-032-00*	NICKOLAS THOMAS	4449	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-033-04	ROBERT SWARTZ	4377	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-033-03	BETH FENLASON	4387	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-033-00	ROBERT SWARTZ	0	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-035-00	KATHLEEN MATOVICH	0	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-036-00*	ALFRED SCHNEIDER	4295	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-038-00 *	DANIEL HART	4247	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-038-01	RAYMOND MERKLEY	4185	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-002-00 *	DENNIS MACE	4316	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-003-00 *	JEREMY MONTGOMERY	4348	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-005-00 *	MYRA ZERBE	0	North River Rd - St Rt 307
22-006-00-025-01	LAURELLO FAMILY PARTNERSHIP	4541	North River Rd - St Rt 307

WHEREAS, all affected property owners will be notified, by letter, of the opportunity to tap into the public water system and informed of the respective fees; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, that the tap-in fees and associated costs outlined above are hereby adopted for residential users of the Whispering Willow MHP Waterline Project area and said fees are effective immediately upon passage of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ashtabula County will assume ownership of the watermain when installation is complete and the area incorporated into the Ashtabula County Water System.

**ASHTABULA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CERTIFICATION PAGE**

Resolution No. 2025-311

July 08, 2025

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Upon the motion of Casey R. Kozlowski, seconded by Kathryn L. Whittington.

VOTE:

J.P. Ducro IV

Aye

Casey R. Kozlowski

Aye

Kathryn L. Whittington

Aye

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, on the date noted above.



Crystal Sturgill, Clerk of the Board, *Acting*
Board of County Commissioners
Ashtabula County, Ohio