

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 4:00 p.m., on Monday, December 23, 2024, in the Commission Room at City Hall conducting the meeting by live streaming with Zoom with Mayor Johnson presiding and Commissioners Banzet and Vail-Keller present. City Administrator Brogan Jones participated in the meeting by Zoom.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Civic organization reports were invited and heard.

Commission reports were heard.

City Administrator Comments were heard.

Community Development Director reports were heard.

Financial reports were distributed.

Public Comments were invited and heard.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of minutes from the December 11, 2024 meeting; and Appropriation (2024) 23. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding an Ordinance that reflects increases to certain utility rates. This being the time and date published in the official newspaper for the hearing the 2024 Budget Amendments, the public hearing was opened. Discussion held. The hearing was then closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 1813

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 16-36 OF CHAPTER 16 OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA CODE REGARDING FEES FOR UTILITIES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF NEODESHA, WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS AND REPEALING OLD SECTION 16-36 OF CHAPTER 16 OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA CODE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA, KANSAS:

Section One: Section 16-36 of Chapter 16 of the City of Neodesha Code shall be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 16-36. - Utilities.

a) Service connection fees:

1. Electricity: \$50.00.
2. Gas: \$50.00.
3. Water: \$50.00.

b) Transfer fee: \$25.00.

c) Reconnect fees for non-payment: \$50.00

d) Returned check NSF fee: \$50.00.

e) Natural gas:

1. Residential service, monthly rates:

- a. Meter service charge: \$15.00 per month per meter.
- b. Commodity charge: \$0.816 per Ccf, plus the cost of gas adjustment.

2. Commercial service, monthly rates:

- a. Meter service charge: \$18.00 per month per meter.
- b. Commodity charge: \$0.816 per Ccf, plus the cost of gas adjustment.

3. Industrial service, monthly rates:

- a. Meter service charge: \$20.00 per month per meter.
- b. Commodity charge: \$0.816 per Ccf, plus the cost of gas adjustment.

4. Large volume service. Must remain on this rate for the 12-month calendar year.

- a. Customer charge: \$75.00 per month (includes multiple locations/meters).
- b. Meter service charge: \$30.00 per month per meter.
- c. Commodity charge:
 - (1) The first 500 Ccf (0—500) at \$0.8 per Ccf.
 - (2) The next 1500 Ccf (501—2000) at \$0.785 per Ccf.
 - (3) The next 3500 Ccf (2001—5500) at \$0.755 per Ccf.
 - (4) All over 5500 Ccf (5501+) at \$0.735 per Ccf, plus the cost of gas adjustment applied to all Ccf.

f) Water rates:

1. Residential and commercial:

Year	Customer Meter Charge	Each Gallon
2023	19.48	0.00849
2024	19.87	0.00866
2025	20.06	0.00884
2026	20.26	0.00901

2027	20.46	0.00919
2028	20.66	0.00936
2029	20.91	0.00954

2. Industrial customers for the first 100,000 gallons the rate shall be per month:

Year	Customer Meter Charge	Each Gallon
2023	19.48	0.00849
2024	19.87	0.00866
2025	20.06	0.00884
2026	20.26	0.00901
2027	20.46	0.00919
2028	20.66	0.00936
2029	20.91	0.00954

a. For all water in excess of 100,000 gallons the rate per month shall be:

Year	Excess of 100,000 each Gallon
2023	0.00728
2024	0.00743

2025	0.00758
2026	0.00775
2027	0.00919
2028	0.00936
2029	0.00954

2. Bulk water sales at Water Plant:

a. 90 gallons for \$1.00

3. Customers outside of City limits:

Year	Customer Meter Charge	Each Gallon
2023	24.35	0.01062
2024	24.83	0.01083
2025	25.33	0.01105
2026	25.85	0.01128
2027	26.39	0.01152
2028	26.95	0.01177
2029	27.53	0.01203

4. Water reconnects fees when service is terminated for violating water supply emergency restrictions:

a. First reconnection: \$50.00.

b. Second reconnection: \$200.00.

c. Third reconnection: \$300.00.

5. Water backflow preventer testing fees.

a. First unit \$150.00; additional units \$100.00 each.

b. Re-testing: \$100.00 per unit.

g) Electric rates.

2025:

Zoning	Meter Charge	Cost Per KWH
Residential:	\$16.00	\$0.12
Commercial:	\$25.00	\$0.12
Large Volume Customers:	\$100.00	

First 200,000 KWH		\$0.113
200,000-400,000 KWH		\$0.0725
400,000 KWH +		\$0.07

2026:

Zoning	Meter Charge	Cost Per KWH
Residential:	\$16.00	\$0.1275
Commercial:	\$25.00	\$0.1275
Large Volume Customers:	\$100.00	
First 200,000 KWH		\$0.1205
200,000-400,000 KWH		\$0.073
400,000 KWH +		\$0.07

2027:

Zoning	Meter Charge	Cost Per KWH
Residential:	\$16.00	\$0.135
Commercial:	\$25.00	\$0.135
Large Volume Customers:	\$100.00	
First 200,000 KWH		\$0.1280
200,000-400,000 KWH		\$0.0735
400,000 KWH +		\$0.07

2028:

Zoning	Meter Charge	Cost Per KWH
Residential:	\$16.00	\$0.1425
Commercial:	\$25.00	\$0.1425
Large Volume Customers:	\$100.00	
First 200,000 KWH		\$0.1355
200,000-400,000 KWH		\$0.0740
400,000 KWH +		\$0.07

2029:

Zoning	Meter Charge	Cost Per KWH
Residential:	\$16.00	\$0.15
Commercial:	\$25.00	\$0.15
Large Volume Customers:	\$100.00	
First 200,000 KWH		\$0.1430
200,000-400,000 KWH		\$0.0745
400,000 KWH +		\$0.07

- h) Minimum charge for utility is the meter charge.
- i) For large-scale users, if KWH usage exceeds 400,000, the entire bill will be calculated using the rate applicable to 400,000+ KWH.
- j) In no case shall the cost billed to customer be lower than the city's actual cost to purchase power. Large volume rates shall be subject to the same cost adjustment as all other electric rates
- k) Any installation requested by customer that requires installation of a pole will be subject to a fee of \$500.00/per pole.
 - 1. Hi-Lighters:
 - a. Installation of Highlighter charge: \$200.00.

- b. If installation requires pole there will be an additional fee of: \$500.00.
- c. Monthly charge: \$10.00.

l) Sewer Rates:

1. Residential/Commercial/Industrial:

Year	Customer Meter Charge	Each Gallon
2023	21.53	0.00442
2024	21.75	0.00446
2025	21.97	0.00450
2026	22.19	0.00454
2027	22.41	0.00458
2028	22.63	0.00462
2029	22.85	0.00466

- a. For residential customers the monthly user charge will be based on water consumption.

a.1. If a commercial or industrial contributor has a consumptive use of water, or in some other manner uses water which is not returned to the wastewater collection system, the user charge for that contributor may be based on a wastewater meter or separate water meter installed and maintained at the contributor's expense, and in a manner acceptable to the city.

2. Customers Outside City Limits:

Year	Customer Meter Charge	Each Gallon
2023	26.92	0.00552
2024	27.19	0.00558
2025	27.46	0.00564
2026	27.73	0.00570
2027	28.00	0.00576
2028	28.27	0.00582
2029	28.54	0.00588

m) Solid waste collection and disposal:

1. Residential/Commercial/Industrial

<i>Refuse Rates (2025)</i>	<i>Monthly Rate</i>	<i>Additional Container</i>
Residential rate per dwelling unit	\$15.00	
Commercial minimum rate	\$25.00	
Shared dumpsters (1 shared by 2 or more businesses)	\$25.00	n/a
Once a week collection (first container)	\$25.00	\$21.00
Two collections per week (first container)	\$40.00	\$34.00
Three collections per week (first container)	\$52.00	\$44.00
Four collections per week (first container)	\$63.00	\$54.00
Five collections per week (first container)	\$75.00	\$64.00
Service outside city limits (125% of the city rate)		

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Commercial minimum rate	\$26.00	
Shared dumpsters (1 shared by 2 or more businesses)	\$26.00	n/a
Once a week collection (first container)	\$26.00	\$21.00
Two collections per week (first container)	\$41.00	\$34.00
Three collections per week (first container)	\$53.00	\$44.00
Four collections per week (first container)	\$64.00	\$54.00
Five collections per week (first container)	\$76.00	\$64.00

2. Dumpster Rental Rates:
 - a. \$50 per day.
 - b. \$150 per week.
 - c. \$75 per weekend.
 - d. Dumped once per day (M-F).
 - e. Dumpster rental fees shall be prepaid at City Hall prior to dumpster delivery.
- n) Stormwater fee: **\$4.00** per water meter per month.

Section Two: Old Section 16-36 of Chapter 16 of the Code of the City of Neodesha is hereby repealed.

Section Three: EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its publication in the official city newspaper for the February 28, 2025 billing date.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve Ordinance 1813 as presented. Seconded by Mayor Johnson with Commissioner Vail-Keller voting nay. Motion passes 2 – 1.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding reappointments and appointments to the Economic Development Committee, Planning & Zoning Commission, and the Senior Citizens Board. Discussion held.

Commissioner Banzet moved to reappoint Phillip Newkirk, JoAnne Harper, Casey Lair, and Terry Woodruff to the Economic Development Committee for four-year terms, with a term ending date of December 31, 2028. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to reappoint Robert McMurray to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a three-year term, with a term ending date of December 31, 2027. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Commissioner Banzet moved to reappoint Jim Jackson and Pattie Bailey to the Neodesha Senior Citizens Board for three-year terms, with a term ending date of December 31, 2027. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to appoint Bobbie Katzer to the Neodesha Senior Citizens Board for a three-year term, with a term ending date of December 31, 2027. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Governing Body will be held at City Hall on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

At 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Banzet moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

/s/ Devin Johnson

Devin Johnson, Mayor

/s/ Stephanie Fyfe

Stephanie Fyfe, City Clerk