**ORINANCE NO. 358**

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING OR AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 350 BY CHANGING THE RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR UTILITY SERVICES.

Be it ordained by the governing body of the City of Gaylord, Kansas as follows:

 **Section 1. RATES.** The rates per month for the use of water in the city shall be as follows: $30.00 for the first 3,000 gallons used in any one billing month; any excess usage over 3,000 gallons in any one month shall be charged at the rate of $1.50 per thousand gallons. A minimum monthly rate of $30.00 shall be paid by each resident having water service provided. All residents of the city who have sewer and/or solid waste services provided shall pay a minimum monthly rate of $15.00 in addition to the water service rates. The minimum monthly rate for water, sewer, and/or solid waste services for residents of the City of Gaylord, Kansas shall be $45.00. Automatic modification of water, sewer and/or solid waste rates, for all users, for water, sewer and/or solid waste services shall be modified by increasing each rate 3% of the rate then existing, rounded up to the nearest one-tenth of a whole cent, effective for the utility billing on January 1st of each calendar year beginning on January 1st, 2015, unless the governing body, by resolution, determines otherwise.

 The rates per month for the use of the water for all customers who reside outside the city limits shall be as follows: $40.00 for the first 3,000 gallons used in any one billing month; any excess usage over 3,000 gallons in any one month shall be charged at the rate of $1.50 per thousand gallons. Each customer having water service provided outside the city limits, shall pay a minimum monthly rate of $40.00. The rate established for providing sewer and/or solid waste services for customers residing outside the city limits shall be $20.00 in addition to the water service rates. All customers residing outside the City of Gaylord, Kansas, who receive water, and sewer, and/or solid waste services, shall pay a minimum monthly rate of $60.00. Automatic modification of water, sewer and/or solid waste rates, for all users, for water, sewer and/or solid wastes services shall be modified by increasing each rate 3% of the rate then existing, rounded up to the nearest one-tenth of a whole cent, effective for the utility billing on January 1st of each calendar year beginning on January 1st, 2015, unless the governing body, by resolution, determines otherwise.

 The rates per month to be charged businesses for water service, whether within or outside the city limits shall be as follows: $30.00 for the first 3,000 gallons used in any one billing month; any excess usage over 3,000 gallons used in any one month shall be charged at the rate of $1.50 per thousand gallons. A minimum monthly rate of $30.00 shall be paid by each business having water service provided. All businesses who have sewer and/or solid waste services shall pay a minimum of $15.00 in addition to the water rates. The minimum monthly rate for water and sewer and/or solid waste services for businesses shall be $45.00. Automatic modification of water, sewer and/or solid waste rates, for all users, for water, sewer and/or solid wastes services shall be modified by increasing each rate 3% of the rate then existing, rounded up to the nearest one-tenth of a whole cent, effective for the utility billing on January 1st of each calendar year beginning on January 1st, 2015 unless the governing body, by resolution, determines otherwise.

 The rates to be charged churches shall be as follows: $14.00 for the first 3,000 gallons used in any one month: any excess usage over 3,000 gallons in any one billing month shall be charged at the rate of $1.50 per thousand gallons. The minimum monthly water rate for churches shall be $14.00. Automatic modification of water, sewer and/or solid waste rates, for all users, for water, sewer and/or solid wastes services shall be modified by increasing each rate 3% of the rate then existing, rounded up to the nearest one-tenth of a whole cent, effective for the utility billing on January 1st of each calendar year beginning on January 1st, 2015 unless the governing body, by resolution, determines otherwise.

 All apartment projects or housing projects located within the city shall be charged $30.00 for the first 3,000 gallons used in any one billing month per rented unit; any excess usage over 3,000 gallons per rented unit shall be charged at the rate of $1.50 per thousand gallons. A minimum monthly rate of $30.00 will be charged per rental unit occupied for water service for apartments or housing projects. All apartment projects or housing projects within the city of Gaylord that have sewer and/or solid waste service provided shall be charged a minimum monthly fee of $10.00 per rental unit occupied. Automatic modification of water, sewer and/or solid waste rates, for all users, for water, sewer and/or solid wastes services shall be modified by increasing each rate 3% of the rate then existing, rounded up to the nearest one-tenth of a whole cent, effective for the utility billing on January 1st of each calendar year beginning on January 1st, 2015 unless the governing body, by resolution, determines otherwise.

 The rates to be charged for raw/bulk water from the meter maid shall be as follows: $3.00 per 1,000 gallons

 **Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication in the Smith County Pioneer.

Adopted and passed by the Governing Body of the City of Gaylord, Kansas, this 12th day of November 2014.

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Delpha Godsey, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Aubrey Neussendorfer

City Clerk

**ORDINACE NO. 358 SUMMARY**

On November 12th, 2014, the City of Gaylord, Kansas, adopted Ordinance No. 358, amending Ordinance 350, in order to increase water services by $10.00, and sewer and/or solid waste services by $5.00 for all users and an annual 3% increase to all water, sewer and/or solid waste services beginning on January 1st, 2015. Metermaid bulk water charges will increase to $3.00 per 1,000 gallons. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at [www.GaylordKansas.com](http://www.GaylordKansas.com) or at the city office, 509 Main Street. This summary is certified by Michael-Shannon McDowell, City Attorney.