

**CITY OF DIAMOND CITY, ARKANSAS  
ORDINANCE NUMBER 06-2015**

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF DIAMOND CITY, BOONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS TO AMEND ORDINANCE 03-11 TO INCREASE THE DEPOSIT REQUIRED FOR RENTERS/LESSORS/CONTRACT ACCOUNTS, REDUCE THE NUMBER OF YEARS THAT A DEPOSIT WILL BE HELD AND REDUCE THE CONNECTION FEE FOR DOWNSTREAM METERS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Diamond City has entered into a signed contract with the citizens of Diamond City to provide water, sewer, and sanitation services for a monthly fee; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the City must utilize all means available to collect final bills when accounts are closed;

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

Amend **SECTION IV.**, Para. 1., as follows:

1. The following will be the meter deposit rates paid to the water system before a master meter will be installed or unlocked for an account. The City will retain the deposit for (3) three years unless the resident moves before the (3) three years expires at which time the deposit will be used to pay the final bill and any remaining monies will be refunded to the customer.

Amend **SECTION IV.**, para. 1. C as follows:

- c. Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for Renters/Lessors/Contracts

Amend **SECTION IV.**, para. 2 as follows:

Replace "five (5) year period" with "three (3) year period"

Replace "twenty dollars (\$20)" with "ten dollars (\$10)"

**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.

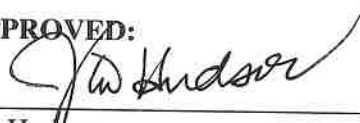
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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Amendment, 06-2015 to Ordinance 03-11 was duly adopted by the City Council of Diamond City, Arkansas.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Cheryl Guthrie  
Recorder/Treasurer

**APPROVED:**

  
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Jan Hudson  
Mayor