## **ORDINANCE NO. 2003-8**

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WALKERTO AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF CHARGES COLLECTED BY THE TOWN OF WALKERTON FOR CONNECTION TO THE WALKERTON MUNICIPAL SEWAGE WORKS AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 2003-5

**WHEREAS,** the Town of Walkerton owns and operates a Municipal Sewage Works providing for the collection of and treatment wastewater; and,

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to establish a schedule of rates and charges for individuals and entities connecting to the Municipal Sewage Works; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Town commissioned a study which study has recommended an increase in the charges for said connections; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Town of Walkerton adopted Ordinance Number 2003-5 on June 16, 2003, and now wishes to repeal Ordinance Number 2003-5 and substitute this Ordinance in its place.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of Walkerton, St. Joseph County, Indiana:

### Section 1. Connection Charge

The owner of any lot, parcel of real estate or building who wishes to connect to the Walkerton Sewage Works shall, prior to being permitted to make such connection, pay a tap fee in the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for each single family dwelling unit or business entity to be served by said connection, or the actual cost of such physical connection including excavation, backfill, and labor, whichever cost is greater. The property owner will be responsible for the cost of construction of a local or lateral sewer adequate to serve said property.

#### Section 2. Connection Capacity Fees

New users that connect to the wastewater utility for sewage collection and treatment shall pay, in addition to the tap fee provided for herein, a connection capacity fee as follows:

	<u>5/8" - 3/4"</u>	1 "	1 1/2"	2"		4"
Ratio:	1.0	2.5	5.7	10.0	23.0	40.0

#### **CONNECTION CAPACITY FEES**

2003	\$180\$458		\$1,026	\$1,800	\$4,140	\$7.200	
2004	228	570		1,300	2,280	5,244	9,120
2005	276	690		1,573	2,760	6,348	11,040

Section 3. A connection capacity fee or tap fee as provided in this Ordinance is only valid for three months after said tap fee and/or connection capacity fee is paid. If the connection is not made within said three month period of time then the tap fee and/or connection capacity fee paid is forfeited to the Town of Walkerton and a new tap fee and/or connection capacity fee shall be paid whenever the work is to be done.

Section 4. Ordinance 2003-5 is hereby repealed and replaced by this Ordinance.

### Section 5.

Effective Date. This Amendment shall be in full force and effect from and after August 15, 2003.

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

# PASSED THIS <u>4TH</u> DAY OF August, 2003.

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