

ORDINANCE NO. 08-21

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROCKAWAY
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AMENDING CHAPTER A263, FEES,
OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROCKAWAY**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rockaway have determined that a need exists for certain fees charged under Chapter A263, Fees, Section A263-1, Fees established, of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Rockaway to be added or amended in order to reflect the actual costs of the relevant services; and

WHEREAS, the water rates were last amended in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are authorized to charge and collect said water service charges pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14B-21.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rockaway, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the following amendments be made to Chapter A263, Fees, Section A263-1, Fees established, as follows:

Section I

1. Subsections N (1) (c) is hereby repealed in entirety and modified to read as follows:

"N. Chapter 247, Water.

(1) Article I, General Regulations

(c) Fee for turning off water service so that property owner may make repairs and then turning service back on: \$54 during normal business hours when scheduled with 48 hours' notice. If the request to turn off water service during normal business hours is made with less than 48 hours' notice, the fee increases to \$110. If the water service must be turned off and/or on outside of normal business hours and an emergency call-out is required, there will be a charge of \$80 per hour per employee with a minimum charge of three hours per employee.

2. Subsections N (1) (d) [1] [a], [1] [b], and [4] are hereby repealed in entirety and modified to read as follows:

"N. Chapter 247, Water.

(1) Article I, General Regulations

(d) Rates.

[1] The following minimum charges and rates per quarter-annually based upon the cubic feet used for all customers of the water utility system of the Borough of Rockaway shall be:

[a] For the first 1,300 cubic feet: minimum charge of \$83.

[b] All water consumed over and above 1,300 cubic feet, in addition to the minimum fee of \$83 for the first 1,300 cubic feet, shall be charged at the rate and according to the amount consumed as follows:

Amount (cubic feet)	Fee
Next 1,300 in excess of the first 1,300	\$8.95 per 130 cubic feet per quarter
Next 1,300 in excess	\$9.40 per

of the first 2,600	130 cubic feet per quarter
Next 1,300 in excess of the first 3,900	\$10.20 per 130 cubic feet per quarter
Next 1,300 in excess of the first 5,200	\$10.75 per 130 cubic feet per quarter
In excess of the first 6,500	\$11.30 per 130 cubic feet per quarter.

[4] Multiple units on a single meter. The owner of the building shall be charged a minimum quarterly charge of \$83, multiplied by the number of units serviced by that one meter."

3. Subsection N (1) is hereby amended to add the following:

"N. Chapter 247, Water.

(1) Article I, General Regulations

(h) Final readings/change of ownership or tenancy. The fee for a final/special reading shall be \$60 for each reading when scheduled with 72 hours' notice. If the request for a final/special reading is made with less than 72 hours' notice, the fee increases to \$95.

(i) Minimum charge for any service call: \$35."

Section II

1. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.
2. All Ordinances of the Borough of Rockaway which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
4. This Ordinance shall take effect April 1, 2021.

Acting Borough Clerk DATE: February 25, 2021

BOROUGH OF ROCKAWAY

ATTEST: Kimberly Cuspilich, Acting Borough Clerk

BY: Thomas Mulligan, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Kimberly Cuspilich, Acting Borough Clerk of the Borough of Rockaway, in the County of Morris, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the Mayor and Council at a meeting held on February 25, 2021.

Kimberly Cuspilich
Acting Borough Clerk