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ORDINANCE NO. 74-2

AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE VILLAGE LAW FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC ENERGY AND REVISING AND FIXING THE RATES AND CHARGES THEREFOR.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1. There be and there are hereby established rates and charges for the use and service of electric current for light and power based upon electricity consumed as recorded by electric meters based upon the type of premises served as follows:

(1) (a) RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE

RATE: (Monthly)	Net Per KWH
First 35 KWH	\$0.06
Next 25 KWH	0.05
Next 140 KWH	0.03
All over 200 KWH	0.02

MINIMUM charge for residential electric service shall be as follows:

- Inside Village limits - \$3.00 per month
- Rural Service - \$5.00 per month

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

(1) (b) RESIDENTIAL SERVICE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS RATE

Available to those residents residing within the Village limits where the recognized head of the family is over 62 years of age and is qualified for and is receiving Social Security or other equivalent pension. Each individual desiring this rate shall make application to the Board which shall approve or reject the application.

RATE: (Monthly) Senior citizens shall be billed at 80% of the charge under (1) (a) Residential Service Rate.

MINIMUM \$1.00 per month for senior citizens.

(2) (a) RESIDENTIAL SERVICE - TOTAL ELECTRIC HOME RATE

Available to all residential customers for all domestic use taken through a single meter when single phase electric power is the only source of energy used on the premises.

RATE: (Monthly) Net Per KWH

First 35 KWH	\$0.06
Next 25 KWH	0.05
Next 140 KWH	0.03
Next 800 KWH	0.02
All over 1000 KWH	0.0185

MINIMUM charge for residential all electric service shall be \$3.00 per month.

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

(2) (b) RESIDENTIAL SERVICE - TOTAL ELECTRIC HOME FOR SENIOR CITIZENS RATE

Available to those residents residing within the Village limits where the recognized head of the family is over 62 years of age and is qualified for and is receiving Social Security or other equivalent pension. Each individual desiring this rate shall make application to the Board which shall approve or reject the application.

RATE: (Monthly) Senior citizens shall be billed at 80% of the charge under (2) (a) Residential Service - Total Electric Home Rate.

MINIMUM \$1.00 per month for senior citizens.

(3) COMMERCIAL SERVICE RATE

RATE: (Monthly)	Net Per KWH
First 35 KWH	\$0.07
Next 25 KWH	0.05
Next 140 KWH	0.03
All over 200 KWH	0.025

MINIMUM charge for commercial electric service shall be \$5.00 per month.

The maximum connected load for customers served under this rate shall be 10 KVA of which not more than 7 KVA shall be non-lighting load.

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

(4) POWER SERVICE RATE

RATE: (Monthly)	Net Per KWH
<u>Energy Charge:</u>	
First 35 KWH	\$0.07

Next 25 KWH	0.05
Next 140 KWH	0.03
All over 200 KWH	0.025

Demand Charge:

\$2.00 per KWH of monthly demand. The demand will be determined by the use of a demand meter or by inventory of customer's connected load.

MINIMUM charge per month shall be \$10.00 or \$1.00 per KVA of connected non-lighting load whichever is greater.

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

(5) INDUSTRIAL POWER SERVICE RATE

Available to a manufacturing plant where goods are fabricated by an industrial process.

RATE: (Monthly) Net Per KWH

Energy Charge:

First 1000 KWH	\$0.03
All over 1000 KWH	0.02

Demand Charge:

\$2.00 per KWH of monthly demand. When the load factor exceeds 50% the demand charge will be reduced to \$1.50 per KWH. The demand will be determined by the use of a demand meter or by inventory of customer's connected load.

MINIMUM monthly bill will be \$1.00 per KWH of connected non-lighting load.

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: The fuel cost adjustment charged to the Village will be charged on all KWH sold under this rate.

TAX: The Village will add a 5% tax, or other rate as determined by law, on the net amount and gross amount of the cash bill as calculated according to the applicable Industrial Power Service rate contained herein as an additional charge pursuant to Sections 1 and 2 of "The Public Utilities Revenue Act" as amended.

(6) SECURITY LIGHT SERVICE RATE

A 175 watt automatic light - \$5.00 per month.

Light will be installed and maintained on an existing pole. If additional facilities are required customer will pay cost of material and labor to install required facilities.

SECTION 2. The rate schedules stated in Section 1 are based on current wholesale electric costs to the Village which

are subject to fuel adjustment cost of \$0.0025 per KWH. As the fuel cost increases or decreases a total of \$0.0005 per KWH Rates (1), (2), (3) and (4) will be increased or decreased in the last step of the respective rate schedule by increasing or decreasing the net per KWH \$0.0005.

SECTION 3. Charges for electric service shall be made monthly. All bills for such service shall be rendered as of the first day of each month following the month for which service is rendered and electric meters read. All bills shall be payable within fifteen (15) days after date of the bill. All bills not paid within fifteen (15) days from date of billing shall have a penalty of ten per cent (10%) added. When the fifteenth day of any month shall be a Sunday or legal holiday, then such bills for service shall be paid on the next succeeding secular day without the penalty added.

SECTION 4. In the event charges for electric service are not paid within thirty (30) days after the rendition of the bill for such services, such charges shall be deemed and are hereby declared to be delinquent and the Superintendent <sup>MAY</sup> ~~shall~~ disconnect such delinquent user from the electric light system without further notice. A connect charge for reconnecting the service will be as follows:

Weekdays during business hours	\$ 4.00
Nights, weekends and holidays	15.00

The owner of real estate shall be responsible for the payment of all electric service charges on his property whether incurred by him or others. Service will not be reconnected to property where there are outstanding delinquent electric service charges.

SECTION 5. No free service of the electric light plant and system of the Village of Chatham shall be furnished to any person, firm, organization or corporation, public or private.

Every user of the electric light plant and system of the Village shall have a metered connection to said system.

SECTION 6. Where no line extension or pole setting is required the installation charge for furnishing temporary service for home building or small commercial construction shall be \$10.00 plus cost of meter base if a meter base is required. When it is necessary to extend lines or poles, the customer shall pay the cost of labor, equipment, and material to install the line, and the cost of labor and equipment required to remove such lines.

SECTION 7. New residential customers will be required to make a deposit of \$20.00. This deposit will be refunded at the end of one year if the customer has established credit by paying all utility bills prior to the 15th day due date. New commercial and industrial customers may be required to make a deposit equal to the estimated amount of one month's bill. This deposit will be refunded at the end of one year if the customer has established credit by paying all utility bills prior to the 15th day of due date.

The Village may require any customer to make sufficient <sup>AT ANY TIME</sup> deposit to guarantee payment of electric utility bills.

SECTION 8. If it is determined that a commercial or industrial customer has a power factor of less than 85%, the customer's bill shall be adjusted to an 85% power factor. The customer shall be responsible for installing the necessary equipment to correct to an 85% power factor. The customer shall be responsible for installing the necessary protective equipment to protect the electric system from interference caused by customer's equipment.

SECTION 9. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to interfere in any manner, or in any way deface, injure, remove or destroy any wires, wiring, poles, transformers or meters,

including seals, or other property of the Village electric distribution system.

(b) Any person damaging any facilities of the Village electric system as described in this ordinance is liable to the Village for all damages which the Village may sustain. The measure of liability is the cost of repairing or replacing the facilities so damaged and including material and labor. Where an electric meter has been bypassed the measure of liability for damages shall also include estimated charges for unmetered electric service.

SECTION 10. Whoever violates any provision of Section 9 shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$500 for each offense.

SECTION 11. The Village shall have the right to remove any trees, branches or vegetation on any street, alley, or utility easement that in any way interfere with the installation, operation or maintenance of the electric distribution system.

SECTION 12. The Village will endeavor to maintain adequate and continuous electric service to its customers, but does not guarantee that the supply of energy will, at all times, be constant; and the Village shall not be liable to customer for any damages resulting from temporary cessation of service occasioned by fire, explosion, flood, strike, insurrection, mob violence, governmental interference, break-down, or injury to machinery or distributing lines, or other accidents or causes not reasonably within its control.

SECTION 13. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this ordinance are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 14. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect 10 days after its passage, approval and due publication.

PASSED March 21, 1974.

APPROVED March 21, 1974.

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