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PETITION FOR WATER SERVICE AND EXTENSION OF WATERLINES

TO: Board of County Commissioners
County Administration Building
Medina, OH

I, the undersigned, owner of land described below, hereby petition the Board of County Commissioners of Medina County, Ohio, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 6103.11 to provide for the construction, maintenance and operation of local waterlines and appurtenances thereto along the public highways adjacent to my property as part of the Medina County water system.

I acknowledge and agree to connect to the waterline within two (2) years of it's installation and to pay Medina County for the cost of the waterline associated with my property and as further outlined in this petition. **In the event I fail to pay to Medina County the costs agreed to herein within two years, I consent to my land being assessed to pay the cost of acquisition or construction of the improvement, and of its maintenance and operation as provided in Chapter 6103 O.R.C., and waive all legal notices otherwise required. I understand that the cost to be paid to Medina County will be $4,000.00 for each equivalent residential unit. In addition, I will also be responsible to pay the County for the cost of a curb connection, water meter and permit.** The installation of a private water service from the waterline to my house will be my responsibility and will be completed according to Medina County specifications.

With the signing of this petition I also tender the sum of **$100.00** as a deposit toward the cost of the waterline. It is understood that if after reviewing this petition and other petitions, that the County will proceed with construction of a waterline to service my property if it is economically feasible. I further understand that my deposit hereby tendered will be applied to the construction charge for my property and is no longer refundable. It is also understood that if, after six (6) months of review, the Sanitary Engineers Office decides not to proceed with the project, that my deposit will be returned upon my submission of a written request for a refund.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY TO BE SERVED (ADDRESS): _____

PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER: _____

PROPERTY OWNER (PRINT): _____

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PROPERTY OWNER'S SIGNATURE: _____

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DATE: _____

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MEDINA COUNTY WATER SUPPLY CONNECTION COSTS

FEE FOR INSIDE CONNECTION

CONNECTION FEE	$4,000.00
PERMIT FEE	$50.00
1" CURB CONNECTION	$645.00
METER FEE (INSIDE BUILDING)	$493.00
TOTAL COST	$5,188.00

FEE FOR OUTSIDE CONNECTION

CONNECTION FEE	$4,000.00
PERMIT FEE	$50.00
1" CURB CONNECTION	$645.00
METER & METER VAULT FEE (OUTSIDE BUILDING)	$865.00
TOTAL COST	$5,505.00

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MEDINA COUNTY WATER SERVICE

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Where does Medina County get their water?
A: Water from Lake Erie is treated by the City of Avon Lake and transported through Lorain Rural Water Authority's lines to Medina County.

Q: What does the County charge for the water?
A: The current rate if $6.30 per 1000 gallons of water. A typical family of four uses about 7000 gallons of water a month. That equates to a water bill of about $44.10 per month.

Q: When do I need an outside meter and vault?
A: Outside meters are required when a home has nowhere within the house to set a meter of the house is set more than 150 feet back from the street, or when a pond, lake or creek is located within 50 feet of the water service.

Q: Do I have to pay these costs if I don't connect? Will the price go up in the future?
A: If you are one of the property owners along the waterline route that petitions for the waterline, you will be required to pay the fees and connect to the waterline within two (2) years of the line becoming operational. If you choose not to connect to the line within two (2) years, the County will assess your property for the $4,000.00 construction fee.

If you are a property owner along a waterline route that did not petition for water service, you are under no obligation to connect or to pay the associated fees.

Construction costs continually rise, therefore, the cost charged for connections will also rise. The construction charge recently increased to $4,000.00 from $3,500.00. The $3,500.00 rate had not changed since 1995.

Q: Is there a penalty if we do not hook up?
A: No, there are no penalties for not connecting. There is a delayed tap-in charge of $4.00 per month that accumulates until the time of connection. The charge was established to assist in paying for the water towers, pump stations, over sized lines and hydrants installed for fire protection that is available to every home whether connected to the waterline or not. The fee is only collected when a home connects to the waterline. Otherwise these charges are included in the $6.30/1000 gallons collected in the monthly water bill.

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Q: Does the County offer financing?
A: Yes, the County will finance the $4,000.00 construction fee for a period of 5 years at the same rate that the county receives.

Q: Who pays for the connection from the street to my home?
A: The homeowner will need to hire a contractor registered with the County to install the connection. Past estimates for the cost of this type of construction have ranged from $5 to $10 per foot.

Q: What type and size of pipe will I need to run to my house?
A: A minimum one inch (1") diameter water service. Our water department will confirm your line size based on the water pressure in your location and your distance from the street. Service connections must be type K copper when the meter is installed in the house. Type K copper is required to an outside meter but 200 psi plastic pipe is acceptable after the meter vault.

Q: Who bores under the street if the waterline is on the opposite side of the road?
A: Your contractor will need to dig access pits for the County's bore machine to bore under the road.

Q: Can I keep my well or cistern?
A: A well or cistern can be kept in service as long as it is not physically connected to any plumbing that is connected to the Medina County's water system.

Q: Will the central water bring more development to our area?
A: In areas not served with public sewers, lot sizes must remain large to accommodate septic systems. Central water will make an area more desirable, but will not increase the density of development.