

RESOLUTION NO. 2009- 85

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING ST. JOHNS COUNTY ORDINANCE 2006-73, SCHEDULE G – WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE CHARGES, ITEM # 2, WHICH CONCERNS FEES FOR A METER BEING REPLACED BECAUSE OF NON-PAYMENT; TEMPORARILY REDUCING THE FEE FROM FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS TO TWENTY DOLLARS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING A DATE FOR THE FEE TO REVERT BACK TO FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS.

WHEREAS, the St. Johns County Utility Department recognizes that its customers are facing difficult economic times; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Department is seeing an increase in disconnections for non-payment; and

WHEREAS, citizens not having potable water available is of great public health, safety, welfare and environmental concern; and

WHEREAS, the fee that is required when a meter is replaced due to non-payment of the bill may cause an additional economic hardship; and

WHEREAS, temporarily reducing the reconnection fee, Schedule G, Item 2, from forty-five dollars to twenty dollars for the remainder of the calendar year will benefit the customers of the Utility department; and

WHEREAS, Section 30 (D) of St. Johns County Ordinance No. 2006-73 gives the Board of County Commissioners the authority to change service charges and schedules F & G from time to time by Resolution of the Board.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, that:

- Section 1. The above Recitals are incorporated by reference and made a part hereof.
- Section 2. Schedule G, Item 2 be amended to temporarily reduce the fee from forty-five dollars to twenty dollars.
- Section 3. This Resolution shall not relieve any account holder from paying their bill in full as required by Ordinance 2006-73.

Section 4. It is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, and it is hereby provided, that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provisions of this Resolution is held to be invalid, or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity, or unconstitutionality shall not be construed as to render invalid or unconstitutional the remaining provisions, sections, subsections, clauses, phrases, or provisions of this Resolution.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage by the Board of County Commissioners.

Section 6. The reduced fee will revert back to forty-five dollars effective January 1, 2010.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, State of Florida, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Cyndi Stevenson  
Cyndi Stevenson, Chair

ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

By: Pam Halteman  
Deputy Clerk

RENDITION DATE 4/9/09

