

929.08 STORMWATER RATES.

- (a) "Stormwater rates" are established by considering factors, including the customer base, the amount billed, and anticipated to be billed in the future, the operational costs and anticipated to be sustained in the future, the maintenance and repair costs in the past and anticipated to be sustained in the future, and past and future debt service.
- (b) Stormwater utility fees provide a comprehensive stormwater management program that includes a capital improvement program to address neighborhood and street flooding, maintenance of existing stormwater infrastructure and programs to water quality protection programs to ensure compliance with Ohio EPA regulations. The rates are based on a property's contribution to stormwater runoff and are categorized by residential and non-residential land use. Customers are charged based on the impervious (non-penetrable) area a property is known to have, such as pavement and rooftops. A billing unit, called an Equivalent Residential Unit (or ERU) is equal to 2000 square feet of impervious area. Even properties that do not have a storm sewer, or water or sanitary sewer service, will receive a stormwater bill. This is because all properties with impervious surface contribution to an area's stormwater runoff. The entire community benefits from proper stormwater management.

Stormwater charges for single-family residential properties:

All single-family residential properties are calculated at 1 ERU and are billed the same flat daily rate. An example of how the 2006 residential rate is calculated:

$$\$0.0987 \text{ per day} \times 30 \text{ days} = \$2.961 \times 1 \text{ ERU} = \$2.961$$

Stormwater charges for non-residential properties:

Non-residential properties are calculated by how much impervious area the property is known to have, which was compiled from the Village's Geographical Information System (GIS) and other records. A property with 10,000 square feet of impervious area would be billed at 5 ERUs (10,000 divided by 2000). For example: $\$.0987 \times 30 \text{ days} = \$2.9618.883 \times 10 \text{ ERUs} = \29.61 . The stormwater fee for non-residential properties varies by the number of days in the billing period and the number of ERUs calculated for the property.

For questions about stormwater charges for a particular Asheville property, please call our office at 740/983-6367. (Ord. 2006-14. Passed 11-20-06.)

**CHAPTER 940
Stormwater Utility**

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CROSS REFERENCES

Stormwater rates - see S.U. & P.S. 929.08

940.01 PURPOSE.

It is hereby declared necessary for the protection of the public health, safety, welfare and convenience of the Village and its inhabitants to codify the establishment of the storm drainage utility and to codify just and equitable rates or charges to be paid to the Village for the use of such services. (Ord. 2006-14. Passed 11-20-06.)

940.02 UTILIZATION OF MONEY COLLECTED.

Money collected for the Stormwater Utility will be used for the payment of cost of the management, operations, maintenance, repair, construction, reconstruction, enlargement, replacement, improvement, extension and related costs of the storm drainage system of the Utility. This will provide for the safe and efficient capture and conveyance of stormwater; to mitigate the damaging effects of stormwater runoff and the correction of stormwater problems; to fund activities of stormwater management, including, but not limited to, design, approved planning, regulation, education, coordination, inspection and enforcement activities.

(Ord. 2006-14. Passed 11-20-06.)

(ee) Stormwater fee: A fee authorized by ordinance(s) established to pay operations and maintenance, extension and replacement and debt service.

940.06 IMPOSITION OF CHARGES.

The Stormwater Utility service charges provided for in this chapter are imposed on each and every lot and parcel of land within the Village, and the owner thereof, and are deemed reasonable and necessary to pay for the repair, replacement, planning, improvement, operation, regulation and maintenance of the existing and future stormwater system. The Stormwater Utility service charges shall be established so as to maintain adequate fund reserves to provide for reasonable expected variations in the collection of Stormwater Utility service charges, in the cost of providing services, and in the demand for services.

(Ord. 2006-14. Passed 11-20-06.)

940.07 EQUIVALENT RESIDENTIAL UNIT ASSIGNMENT.

For the purpose stated in this chapter there is hereby charged to each Utility user and property, lot, parcel of land, building or premises (collectively, "properties") situated within the corporate limits of the Village, that is tributary directly or indirectly to the stormwater system, Utility service charges determined as provided in this section.

All properties having impervious area within the Village shall be assigned an Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU), or a multiple thereof, which will be at a minimum one ERU.

All improved single-family residential properties are assigned one ERU. A flat rate will apply to all single-family residential properties. All improved single-family residential properties are determined to include impervious area typical of a single-family residence.

All properties having an impervious area which are not improved single-family residential properties are to be assigned by the Village Administrator an ERU multiple based upon the properties' estimated impervious area (in square feet) divided by 2,530 square feet (one ERU). This division will be calculated to the second decimal place and rounded according to mathematical convention to the nearest whole ERU.

The Stormwater Utility service charge will be found in Title Three Chapter 929 Water and Sewer Rates now Water, Sewer and Stormwater Rates. (Ord. 2006-14. Passed 11-20-06.)

ORDINANCE 2006 - 14

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A STORMWATER UTILITY WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ASHVILLE.

Whereas, the Council of the Village of Ashville, Ohio whom is responsible for the health, safety, and welfare of the Village of Ashville, and

Whereas, it is desirable to maintain a stormwater system.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by Council of the Village of Ashville, Pickaway County, and State of Ohio:

SECTION ONE:

That the department of stormwater is created and the laws governing the stormwater department will be found in the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Ashville Part Nine – Streets, Utilities, and Public Services Code, specifically Title Three Chapter 940 (Attachment A) and Chapter 929 (Attachment B).

SECTION TWO:

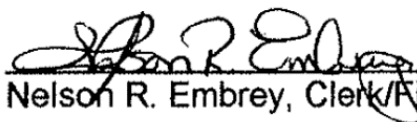
With the passage of this Ordinance the Clerk/Fiscal Officer is authorized to assign a fund number and appropriate revenue and expense account codes.

SECTION THREE:

That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto which are made a part hereof, this Ordinance will take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED THIS 20th DAY OF Nov, 2006

ATTEST:


Nelson R. Embrey, Clerk/Fiscal Officer

11/20/06
Date

APPROVED:


Charles K. Wise, Mayor

20 Nov 06
Date

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