

ORDINANCE NO. 75-6

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE THE VILLAGE LAW FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC ENERGY AND TO REVISE AND FIX 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		0.022

MINIMUM charge for residential electric service shall be as follows:

Inside Village limits - \$3.00 per month

Rural Service - \$5.00 per month

*Water 7.25 2,000 gal  
1.30 every 1,000*

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

TAX: As per Section 3.

(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)	Net Per KWH
First 35 KWH		\$0.048
Next 25 KWH		0.04
Next 140 KWH		0.024
All over 200 KWH		0.016

MINIMUM \$1.00 per month for senior citizens.

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

TAX: As per Section 3.

(2) 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 1,000 KWH	0.0185

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

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

TAX: As per Section 3.

(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.

This rate is for single phase service to any commercial customer whose metered demand for the billing month is less than 15KW. Included in this rate will be home occupations, such as beauty shops. The term "commercial service" when used in this ordinance shall mean electric service to any place where any goods, materials, products, commodities, beverages, substances or things are purchased, sold, bartered, or traded in or where any service of any kind is rendered or performed for which a charge is made.

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

TAX: As per Section 3.

(4) POWER SERVICE RATE

RATE: (Monthly) Net Per KWH

Energy Charge:

First 35 KWH	\$0.07
Next 25 KWH	0.05
Next 140 KWH	0.03
All over 200 KWH	0.025

This rate is for all 3-phase service and for single-phase service to any commercial customer whose metered demand for the billing month exceeds 15 KW.

Demand Charge:

\$2.00 per KW of monthly demand. The demand will be determined by the use of a demand meter or by inventory of customer's connected load. For customers who use electric power as the only source of space heating energy, the demand rate will not be charged during the months of October, November, December, January, February, March, and April.

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.

TAX: As per Section 3.

(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 1,000 KWH	\$0.03
All over 1,000 KWH	0.02

Demand Charge:

\$2.00 per KW of monthly demand. When the load factor exceeds 50% the demand charge will be reduced to \$1.50 per KW. 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 KVA of connected non-lighting load.

FUEL ADJUSTMENT: As per Section 2.

TAX: As per Section 3.

(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.

TAX: As per Section 3.

SECTION 2. In addition to the rates and charges in Section 1, the fuel adjustment cost charged to the Village by its electric supplier will be charged on all KWH sold.

SECTION 3. 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 calculated according to the applicable rate and on other charges herein as an additional charge pursuant to Sections 1 and 2 of "The Public Utilities Revenue Act" as amended.

SECTION 4. Charges for electric service shall be made monthly. 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 (15th) 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 5. 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 may 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 6. 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 7. 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 plus the tax pursuant to Section 3 hereof. When it is necessary to extend lines of 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 8. New residential customers, both home owners and renters, will be required to make a deposit of \$20.00. This deposit will be refunded at the end of one year upon request of the customer 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 upon request of the customer if the

customer has established credit by paying all utility bills prior to the 15th day of due date. The Village will not pay interest on the utility deposits.

The Village may require any customer to make sufficient deposit at any time to guarantee payment of electric utility bills. The maximum deposit required will be two and one half (2-1/2) times the estimated largest one (1) month's bill.

SECTION 9. 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 10. (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 11. Whoever violates any provision of Section 10 shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$500 for each offense.

SECTION 12. 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 13. 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, breakdown, or injury to machinery or distributing lines, or other accidents or causes not reasonably within its control.

SECTION 14. Customer's electrical wiring shall be constructed in accordance with the National Electric Code, "NFPA 70", Current Edition.

SECTION 15. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this ordinance are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 16. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect 10 days after its passage, approval and due publication.

PASSED June 10, 1975

APPROVED June 10, 1975

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President, Board of Trustees  
Village of Chatham, Illinois

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