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Resolution No. 370

Chester Public Utility District

Establishing Interest Charges and Penalties on Past Due Water and Wastewater Billings and Revising the Chester Public Utility District Code Fee Schedule

WHEREAS, the Chester Public Utility District is a public agency located in the County of Plumas, State of California, and it is the Chester Public Utility District's responsibility to provide freshwater delivery and wastewater treatment to its customers; and

WHEREAS, section 54348 of the Government Code states: "The local agency may provide for a basic penalty for nonpayment of the charges within the time and in the manner prescribed by it. Said basic penalty shall not be more than 10 percent of each month's charges for the first month delinquent. In addition to the basic penalty it may provide for a penalty of not exceeding one-half of 1 percent per month for nonpayment of the charges and basic penalty. On the first day of the calendar month following the date of payment specified in the bill the charge shall become delinquent if the bill or that portion thereof which is not in bona fide dispute remains unpaid. It may provide for collection of the penalties herein provided for."

WHEREAS, the Chester Public Utility District wishes to encourage its customers to promptly pay in full their billings received from the District; and

WHEREAS, the Chester Public Utility District desires to revise the fee schedule for certain services as stated in the Chester Public Utility District Code,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chester Public Utility District will assess a late penalty of 10% of the past due balance of their utility bill. A bill is considered past due 45 days after being presented to the customer. Any past due accounts of 6 months or more may be forwarded to a collections agency for settlement. The attached fee schedule revising certain fees and late charges will be in effect upon signature of this resolution.

Fee Schedule

Fee	Amount
Late Fee (after 45 days)	10% of unpaid balance
Letter Fee	\$5.00
Tag Fee	\$20.00
Winterization (+ pro rating)	Shutoff \$35.00 / Reconnect \$50.00
New Service	Meter cost plus materials/time + 10%
Shutoff Fee	\$35.00
Reconnect Fee	\$50.00
Returned Check Fee	Bank charge (currently \$29.50)
Transfer Fee	\$20.00

The District will apply the customer's deposit toward unpaid balances of the account as service is discontinued due to nonpayment. The deposit must be re-established before service is reactivated. Shutoff or reconnect services provided after normal business hours or on holidays will incur twice the listed rate (\$70.00 shutoff and \$100.00 reconnect).

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of March, 2015.

Signed by the Chairman. Attested by Cheryl Johnson, Board Secretary/Clerk, who certified that the resolution was duly passed at a regular meeting of the Board held on March 30, 2015, by the following vote:

Ayes: Wes Scott, Barbara Montandon, John Knopp and Ben Thompson.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None recorded.

Absent: Garn Pringle.