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CHAPTER 1: SEWER UTILITY

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§ 5-1-1 SEWER SERVICE CHARGE.

(A) Effective January 1, 2012, the quarterly sewer service charges of the Almond village sewer utility are to be billed according to the following designations.

(B) The changes in rates are set forth as follows under the following classifications:

<i>Classification</i>	<i>Present Rate</i>	<i>New Rate</i>
Each residence	\$47.00	\$49.35
Low income housing (each unit)	\$47.00	\$49.35
Village maintenance building	\$47.00	\$49.35
The Apartment at the Restaurant	\$47.00	\$49.35
Apartment buildings or duplexes (each unit)	\$47.00	\$49.35
Each of the above is considered 1 unit		
Each church	\$56.40	\$59.22
American Legion Hall	\$56.40	\$59.22
Funeral home	\$56.40	\$59.22
Post office	\$56.40	\$59.22
Village office and library	\$56.40	\$59.22
Johnson's warehouses (each)	\$56.40	\$59.22
Swan Oil Co.	\$56.40	\$59.22
Hardware store (Overhead Doors)	\$56.40	\$59.22
Auction house	\$56.40	\$59.22

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<i>Classification</i>	<i>Present Rate</i>	<i>New Rate</i>
Burn's shop (2nd Street)	\$56.40	\$59.22
Burn's office (2nd Street)	\$56.40	\$59.22
Bait shop	\$56.40	\$59.22
Fire station	\$56.40	\$59.22
Beauty shop (no residence)	\$56.40	\$59.22
Each of the above is considered 1.2 units		
Motel's 3 rooms and small apartment (each)	\$103.40	\$108.57
Grocery store	\$103.40	\$108.57
Taverns (each)	\$103.40	\$108.57
Telephone co.	\$103.40	\$108.57
Burn's warehouse and office	\$103.40	\$108.57
Each of the above is considered 2.2 units, 1 commercial and 1 residence		
Restaurant	\$117.50	\$123.38
Bank	\$117.50	\$123.38
Each of the above is considered 2.5 units		
School (70 units)	\$3,291.00	\$3,455.55

(C) This section shall take effect on the January 1, 2012.

(Am. Ord. passed 2-6-1992; Am. Ord. passed 4-8-2002; Am. Ord. passed 5-9-11)

Statutory reference:

Authority, see Wis. Stats. § 200.59(4)

§ 5-1-2 SEWER UTILITY COMMISSION.

(A) The Village of Almond Sewer Utility Commission shall consist of the Village Board serving as a committee of the whole.

(B) The Sewer Utility Commission shall have the power to manage and operate the sewer utility system, determine user rates, and levy special assessments to finance public improvements as permitted by law.

(C) The funds of the Village of Almond sewer utility shall be kept in a separate account.

(D) The Village Treasurer shall serve as the Treasurer of the Village of Almond sewer utility.

(E) The Village Clerk shall maintain the records of the Village of Almond sewer utility.

§ 5-1-3 SEWER POLICY.

(A) *Present hookups.* Anytime there is a problem with the sewer, and it's on the village property, the village will be responsible for the expenses incurred. Whenever there is a question about where the problems are, a representative of the village shall be there. Land owner shall be reimbursed for expenses that are determined were in village lines, and the village will go back one year on these specific circumstances. The village shall also be responsible for fixing up any lawn areas where it is determined to be its responsibility. Whenever the problem is determined to be on the property owners' land, he or she shall be responsible for the expenses incurred.

(B) *New hookups.* Anytime a new hookup is installed, whether there is a lateral there or not, a representative of the village shall be there to inspect the installation into the main line and back to the property line to see that it's properly done. The village representative shall be there when the excavation begins.

(C) *Sewer billings.* Leave the sewer billings the same for now, to be reviewed again when the sewer clerk runs out of present bills.
(Ord. passed 5-2-1988)

CHAPTER 2: RECYCLING CENTER AND GARBAGE DISPOSAL SITE

Section

- 5-2-1 Recycling center and garbage disposal site regulations
- 5-2-2 Mandatory recycling

§ 5-2-1 RECYCLING CENTER AND GARBAGE DISPOSAL SITE REGULATIONS.

(A) *Use restricted.* The recycling center and garbage disposal site is open only to legal residents of the Village of Almond and the Township of Almond.

(B) *Permit required.*

(1) Resident users of the recycling center and garbage disposal site shall obtain a permit from the recycling center and garbage disposal site superintendent for proof of residency purposes.

(2) There shall be no fee for the permit.

(C) *Hours.*

(1) The garbage disposal site is open from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. during the summer months on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

(2) The winter months hours are from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

(D) *Miscellaneous restrictions.*

(1) Toxic, hazardous, poisonous, recyclable materials, tires, inner tubes, leaves, branches or grass clippings shall not be deposited in the garbage disposal container.

(2) Materials for disposal shall be contained in sturdy bags and tied.

(3) Wood, branches, shrubs and Christmas trees not exceeding three inches in diameter shall be placed only in specially designated areas.

(4) No animal carcass of any kind shall be placed in the garbage disposal container.

(5) No person shall place explosive or highly combustible materials in the garbage disposal container, including, but not limited to, firearm cartridges and shells, gun powder, gasoline, blasting caps and wet paint.

§ 5-2-2 MANDATORY RECYCLING.

(A) All residents shall be required to recycle newsprint cardboard; aluminum containers; glass bottles and jars; plastic containers and used motor oil.

(1) Newsprint shall include newspapers, advertising circulars printed on newsprint without staples and thin cardboard such as cereal boxes, cake mix boxes, soda boxes and all white or office paper.

(2) Cardboard shall include boxes and similar materials of a corrugated nature.

(3) Aluminum containers shall include cans, pans and foil, pie tins, cooking utensils, siding and aluminum portions of lawn furniture.

(4) Plastic bottles shall include all types (1) and (2) plastics that have seams on the bottom, such as soda, fabric softeners, laundry soaps, dish and dishwasher soaps, household cleaners and shampoo/conditioners.

(B) Disposal of newsprint and other items enumerated under division (A) above:

(1) No newsprint, aluminum, glass or plastic containers, waste oil, cardboard or batteries shall be disposed of with regular village or township refuse except those items rendered useless for recycling;

(2) All recyclables shall be taken to the recycling center and placed in the specified containers or shall be recycled by the residents in any other lawful manner;

(3) Newsprint shall be tied or in paper grocery bags;

(4) Aluminum as described in (A)(3) shall be placed in the specified containers;

(5) Milk jugs and other plastic containers shall be rinsed, crushed and placed in the specified containers;

(6) Cardboard shall be flattened, bundled and placed in the specified area;

(7) Batteries shall be placed in the specified area;

(8) Tin and steel food cans shall be washed, ends cut out, labels removed, flattened and placed in the specified container;

(9) Colored and clear glass bottles and jars shall be rinsed and placed in the specified containers; and

(10) Waste oil shall be placed in the specified container.

Statutory reference:

Authority, see Wis. Stats. §§ 6.345, 287.11, 287.13

CHAPTER 3: MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS

Section

- 5-3-1 Disposal of grass clippings and leaves
- 5-3-2 Dumping; building materials

§ 5-3-1 DISPOSAL OF GRASS CLIPPINGS AND LEAVES.

All grass clippings and leaves may be garden composted, or bagged and taken to the specified area.

(Ord. passed 5-6-1992)

§ 5-3-2 DUMPING; BUILDING MATERIALS.

(A) Building material waste allowed to be disposed of at the Village of Almond landfill-recycling location will be: building waste must be in a 55-gallon container, equal to, but not more than two 55 gallon containers; or equal to 1/4 of a pick-up truck per dump day.

(B) Anyone in non-compliance of this section can be refused further disposal of building material waste.

(C) Any major building project: taxpayer is required to obtain your own dumpster for building material waste.

(Ord. passed 6-11-2001)

CHAPTER 4: SEWERS

Section

- 5-4-1 Introduction and general provisions
- 5-4-2 Residential and commercial waste
- 5-4-3 Industrial waste (in addition to residential and commercial)

§ 5-4-1 INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL PROVISIONS.

As owner and operator of the village wastewater system, the Village of Almond has adopted this chapter which sets forth the uniform requirements for discharging waters and wastes into the public sewer system within the village. This chapter enables the village to protect public health in conformity with administrative provisions, water quality requirements and other discharge criteria which are required or authorized by local, state and federal law.

(Ord. passed 6-13-2016)

§ 5-4-2 RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL WASTE.

(A) *Prohibitions against discharge.* No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any of the following described liquids or solid wastes to any sanitary sewer or wastewater treatment facility.

(1) Any storm water, surface water, groundwater, roof run-off, sump pumps, or surface drainage or any other connections from inflow sources to the wastewater collection sewer. Such waters may be discharged to a storm sewer or other waterway with permission of the village.

(2) Any gasoline, benzene, naphtha, fuel oil, lubricating oil or other flammable or explosive liquid, solid or gas or other substances which by themselves or by interaction with other substances may cause fire or explosion hazards, or in any other way be injurious to persons, property, or the operation of the wastewater facilities.

(3) Any waters or waste containing toxic or poisonous substances in sufficient quantity, either singly or by interaction with other wastes, which will injure or interfere with any wastewater treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans or animals, create a public nuisance in the receiving waters of the wastewater treatment facility, or interfere with the disposal of effluent.

(4) Any waters or wastes having a pH lower than 5 or having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment, and personnel or the wastewater treatment system.

(5) Any waters or wastes having a pH in excess of 10.

(6) Solid or viscous substances in quantities or of such size capable of causing obstruction to the flow in sewers, or other interference with the proper operation of the wastewater facilities such as, but not limited to, ashes, cinders, sand, rocks, mud, straw, shavings, metal, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, unground garbage, whole blood, paunch manure, hair or fleshings, entrails, and paper dishes, cups, milk containers, etc. Personal hygiene products composed of paper fiber or plastic, either whole or ground by garbage grinders.

(7) Wastewater having a temperature higher than 150° F or that causes the wastewater at the treatment facility to exceed 104° F.

(8) (a) Any water or wastes which may contain more than 100 parts per million by weight of oils, fat or grease (FOG). Furthermore, all restaurants, non-residential developments and multi-family residential developments are required to install and maintain grease interceptors as defined division (8)(b) below:

(b) *Grease interceptors (grease traps).*

1. The following developments shall have grease interceptors installed downstream of all kitchen drains, at their own cost and expense:

a. All non-residential developments involved in the preparation, processing and service of food or food products.

b. Multi-family residential developments if, in the opinion of the Village Inspector, discharges to the sanitary sewer will cause an obstruction or nuisance.

2. The grease interceptors shall be installed in a location readily accessible for cleaning and inspection purposes. The grease interceptors shall be sized in accordance with Wisconsin Department of Commerce code.

3. No person, business or development shall discharge any water or wastewater into the sanitary sewer collection system that contains more than 100 parts per million (by weight) of the combination of fats, oil and grease (FOG).

4. All persons, businesses and developments (dischargers) with grease interceptors shall be responsible for the proper removal and disposal, by appropriate means, of the captured material in the interceptors and shall maintain records of the dates and means of disposal. At a minimum, removal

and disposal shall occur on an annual basis. If deemed necessary, the village may require removal and disposal on a quarterly basis. Dischargers shall provide the village with copies of documentation for removal and disposal of the captured materials, indicating the date of service and means of disposal after each maintenance event. Dischargers found to be responsible for the illegal discharging of fats, oils and greases shall be charged for the cost of rectifying any and all issues created by the illegal discharge, in addition to the charges associated with the violations of these ordinances.

(9) Any garbage that has not been properly shredded. Garbage grinders may be connected to sanitary sewers from homes, hotels, institutions, restaurants, hospitals, catering establishments or similar places where garbage originates from the preparation of food in kitchens for the purpose of consumption on the premises or when served by caterers.

(10) (a) Any waters or waste containing objectionable or toxic substances to such degree that any such material received in the composite wastewater at the treatment facility exceeds the limits that may be established by the village, state or federal government for such materials.

(b) Pollutants containing any toxic substances, including, but not limited to, arsenic, cadmium, chromium, copper, lead, mercury, nickel, silver, zinc, phenol, polychlorinated biphenyls, and all other toxic pollutants listed in Chapter NR 215 of the *Wisconsin Administrative Code*, in concentrations that exceed levels specified under all applicable state and federal regulations.

(11) Any waters or wastes containing odor-producing substances exceeding limits which may be established by the village.

(12) Incompatible pollutants containing substances which are not amenable to treatment or reduction by the wastewater treatment processes employed or are amenable to treatment only to such degree that the wastewater treatment facility effluent cannot meet the requirements of other agencies having jurisdiction over discharge to the receiving waters.

(13) Any water or wastes which, by interaction with other water or wastes in the public sewer system, release obnoxious gases, form suspended solids which interfere with the collection system, or create a condition deleterious to structures and treatment processes.

(14) Materials, which exert or cause:

(a) Unusually high BODs, chemical oxygen demand or chlorine requirements in such quantities as to constitute a significant load on the wastewater treatment facility;

(b) Unusual flow or concentrated wastes constituting a slug load as defined in this chapter;

(c) Unusual concentrations of inert suspended solids (such as, but not limited to, fuller's earth, lime slurries, and lime residues) or of dissolved solids (such as, but not limited to, sodium sulfate);

(d) Excessive discoloration (such as, but not limited to, dye wastes and vegetable tanning solutions).

(B) *Septate disposal.* No person or licensed disposer shall dispose of septate (holding tank or septic tank waste) into any sewer manhole located within the village.

(C) *Special agreements.* No statement contained in this chapter shall be construed as prohibiting any special agreement between the village and any person whereby a residential or commercial waste of unusual strength or character may be admitted to the wastewater collection system, either before or after pretreatment, provided that there is no impairment of the functioning of the collection system or subsequent wastewater treatment by reason of the admission of such wastes and no extra costs are incurred by the village.

(D) *Permit required.* It is unlawful to discharge to any natural waterway within the village or in any area under the jurisdiction of the village any wastewater or other polluted waters, without first obtaining a Wisconsin pollutant discharge elimination system (WPDES) permit.

(E) *Fines for prohibited discharges.* If any prohibited discharge, as defined in this chapter, shall occur and result in an increased loading, inhibit treatment, or result in exceeding the treatment system discharge permit, the responsible person or party causing such discharge shall be responsible for all costs incurred by the village. Prohibited discharges shall be subject to a minimum fine of \$100 per day as determined by the village for each calendar day the prohibited discharge occurs.

(F) *Clear water prohibited.* No person shall connect any roof drain, cistern overflow, sump pump, area drain, surface drain, cooling waterline or any other type of drain line that would allow surface water, groundwater, rainwater or any other type of unpolluted water to enter the wastewater collection system. Existing prohibited clear water connections must be removed from the building sewer before connection to the wastewater collection system. Any person in violation of this requirement shall be subject to the immediate imposition of a fine as set forth in this section and shall disconnect all sources of clear water from the wastewater collection sewer system within 10 days from the date of written notice by the village. If any person fails to comply after the expiration of the time provided, the village may cause disconnection to be made and charge the costs thereof as a special charge against the property. The costs of disconnection shall be charged in addition to any fines imposed for the violation of this chapter. A fine of \$100 per day shall be imposed upon any person in violation of this section. All costs of prosecution shall be added to all fines imposed.

(Ord. passed 6-13-2016)

§ 5-4-3 INDUSTRIAL WASTE (In addition to residential and commercial).

Industrial and septate wastes prohibited.

(A) *Industrial discharges.* The discharge of any waters or wastes, which waters, wastes or septage contain substances or possess the characteristics prohibited by state and federal law, which may have deleterious effects upon the wastewater treatment facility, processes, equipment or receiving waters, or which otherwise create a hazard to life, health or constitute a public nuisance are prohibited to be discharged to the village sanitary sewer system.

(B) *Grease and/or sand interceptors.* The village has the authority to require grease, oil and sand interceptors when deemed necessary. Grease, oil and sand interceptors shall be provided by the discharger and shall be located as to be readily and easily accessible for cleaning and inspection. In the maintaining of these interceptors, the discharger shall be responsible for the proper removal and disposal of the captured material and shall maintain records of the dates and means of disposal, which are subject to review by the village. Properly licensed disposal firms must perform any removal and hauling of the collected materials not performed by the discharger's personnel.

(C) *Analyses.*

(1) All measurements, tests and analyses of the characteristics of a wastewater to which reference is made in this chapter shall be determined in accordance with "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" published by the American Public Health Association and "Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures and Analysis of Pollutants" (1978, 40 CFR 136). Sampling methods, locations, times, durations and frequencies are to be determined on an individual basis subject to approval by the village.

(2) Determination of the character and concentration of a wastewater shall be made by the person discharging them or his or her agent, as designated and required by the village. The village may also make its own analyses of the wastes and these determinations shall be used as a basis for charges. If the person discharging the waste contests the determination, the village may elect to have an independent laboratory determine the character and concentration of the waste. Such independent laboratory shall be acceptable to both the village and the person discharging the waste. The discharger shall assume all costs incurred by the independent laboratory in making the determination.

(D) *Submission of information.* Plans, specifications, and any other pertinent information relating to any proposed pretreatment, grease trap, or sand interceptor shall be submitted for review of the village prior to the start of construction if the effluent from such facilities is to be discharged into the public sewers.

(E) *Submission of basic data.* Commercial users desiring to make a new connection to a public sewer for discharging wastes shall prepare and file with the village a report that shall include actual or predicted data relating to the quantity and characteristics of the waste to be discharged.

(F) *Time schedule.* For a new hook-up to the wastewater collection system which requires a grease trap or sand interceptor, such grease trap or sand interceptor shall be installed by the owner and inspected and approved by the village prior to initiating wastewater flow to the village.

(1) For an existing discharger, such grease trap or sand interceptor shall be installed by the owner and inspected and approved by the village within 90 days of notification of such requirement.

(2) When it can be demonstrated that circumstances exist which would create an unreasonable burden on the person proposing to discharge a waste, to comply with the time schedule imposed in this chapter, a request for extension of the time may be presented for consideration by the Village Board.

(G) *Cost.* The village shall have the authority to install any pretreatment system if the owner does not comply with these requirements within 90 days of notification and charge the owner for all costs incurred or at its option place this cost as a lien on the owner's property taxes.

(Ord. passed 6-13-2016)