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City of Eagleville Tennessee  
City Council  
108 South Main Street  
Eagleville, Tennessee 37060

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Honorable Mayor and City Council:

An item for your meeting agenda of June 26, 2014 is first reading of an ordinance adopting wastewater regulations.

As drafted, the sewer use ordinance establishes regulations guiding the use of your new sanitary sewer system in the following chapter areas:

- o Chapter 1 – In General
- o Chapter 2 – General Wastewater Regulations
- o Chapter 3 – Fat, Oil, and Grease Regulations
- o Chapter 4 – Enforcement and Abatement

Key provisions contained in the 20-page ordinance include:

2014 USDA customers – The following exceptions apply to customers receiving service funded by the city with the 2014 USDA-Rural Development grant:

- o The application fee and other fees set forth in Section 1-3(b) are waived.
- o The connection fee set forth in Section 1-4 is waived.
- o The city, at its expense, will install the STEP system including up to 150 lineal feet of force main to serve the customer.

Section 1-5. Connection to public sewer. The city (or its contractor) shall make all physical connections to the public sanitary sewer system and shall inspect the customers STEP system installation.

Section 1-6. Sewer system extension, private cost. A customer desiring sewer service at a location where a public sewer main has not been installed shall, at the customer expense, pay all related costs for the extension of the public sewer to serve his property. The city, in its sole discretion, controls whether or not the public sanitary sewer system will be extended.

Section 1-7. Sewer system extension, public cost. Notwithstanding the former section, the city may participate in the extension of a public sewer main as it determines to be in the best interest of the city.

Section 1-17. Failure to connect. To maintain environmental quality and accomplish the objective of universal sanitary service, an owner failing to connect to the public sewer when it becomes available will be billed for sewer as if the property was connected and served.

Section 2-3. Proper waste disposal required. Where a public sewer is available, a property owner shall connect the structure to the sewer within 60 days of notice to do so.

Section 2-5. STEP ownership and installation. All STEP equipment, except for the check valve/valve box near the public sewer main, will be installed and remain the property of the owner.

Section 2-6. Maintenance. The owner shall be responsible for the proper care, maintenance, repair, and replacement of STEP equipment, including the periodic removal of solids from the tank.

Section 2-9. Discharge regulations. Numerous regulations are set forth to minimize damage to the public sanitary sewer system from the discharge of wastes by customers.

Chapter 3. Fat, oil, and grease regulations. Numerous regulations are set forth for food service establishments to minimize the discharge of fat, oil, and grease into the public sanitary sewer system.

Chapter 4. Enforcement and abatement. Authorities to protect the public sanitary sewer system are set forth to ensure the integrity of the sewer utility and the public investment in the same.

This is the first of several actions required by the council prior to initiation of sanitary sewer service. Soon to follow for formal consideration are the following:

- an ordinance establishing rates and charges;
- a management agreement with Consolidated Utility District; and
- STEP system design guidelines.

The ordinance was drafted in consultation with MTAS technical consultants and is recommended for adoption.

Very truly yours,



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