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19-101. Monthly charges. The following, except as hereinafter provided, shall be the scheduled monthly charges for the natural gas and services furnished by the natural gas system of the City of Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee, to wit:

All gas users inside the corporate limits:

Residential rates:

\$5.00 minimum per month.

Charges per cu. ft. - The city's actual cost for the natural gas plus \$4.40 per M.C.F.

Commercial rates:

\$10.00 minimum per month.

Charge per cu. ft. - The city's actual cost for the natural gas plus \$4.40 per M.C.F.

Industrial rates:

\$20.00 minimum per month.

Charge per cu. ft. - The city's actual costs for the natural gas plus \$2.75 per M.C.F.

All gas users outside the corporate limits:

Residential:

\$10.00 minimum per month

Charge per cu. ft. - The city's actual cost for the natural gas plus \$5.40 per M.C.F.

Commercial rates:

\$10.00 minimum per month

Charges per cu. ft. - The city's actual cost for the natural gas plus \$6.00 per M.C.F.

Industrial rates:

\$25.00 minimum per month

Charges per cu. ft. - The city's actual cost for the natural gas plus \$3.75 per M.C.F. (as added by Ord. #07-3, March 2007)

19-102. Billing. Bills for residential service will be rendered monthly. Bills for commercial and industrial service may be rendered weekly, semimonthly, or monthly, at the option of the utility department. Gas bills must be paid on or before the date shown thereon in order to obtain the net rate, otherwise the gross rate shall apply. All bills shall be due and payable from and after the date on which such bills are rendered. (as added by Ord. #07-3, March 2007)

19-103. Delinquent bills. Delinquent bills of all gas customers shall be governed by the provisions of § 18-113 in this code. (as added by Ord. #07-3, March 2007)

19-104. Tampering with meters, reconnecting service, etc. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to tamper with or change any gas meter, or to make any connection to the system without permission from the municipality, or to reconnect service when it shall have been disconnected for nonpayment of a bill for service, until such bill shall have been paid in full, including the reconnection fee. (as added by Ord. #07-3, March 2007)

19-105. Gas meter deposits. All applicants for gas connections shall deposit with the municipality, prior to such connection, a non-refundable connection fee. For property owner users inside the city limits, the non-refundable connection fee shall be thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) and for renters and lessees inside the city limits, the non-refundable connection fee shall be sixty dollars (\$60.00). For property owner users outside the city limits, the non-refundable connection shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00). For renters and lessees outside the city limits, the non-refundable connection fee shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00). The non-refundable connection fee for commercial and industrial gas customers shall be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) inside the city limits and two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) outside the city limits. (as added by Ord. #07-3, March 2007)

19-106. Curtailment of gas. (1) The gas department for the City of Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee is hereby authorized to curtail the delivery of gas through its city system to its customers when required.

(2) The gas department is further authorized to discontinue supplying the curtailed customers, when in the opinion of said department, the continued use of gas by any of the said curtailed customers would endanger its ability to service customers and maintain its gas system in a safe and economical condition. (as added by Ord. #07-3, March 2007)

19-107. Fees. All gas service lines from gas lines to service meter shall be laid by the municipality at a cost to the customer of seventy-five cents (.75) per foot. The location of such lines and meters shall be determined by the municipality.

Before any service lines are laid or any service lines installed, a connection fee shall be paid in addition to the monthly charges set out in § 19-101 or elsewhere in this chapter to the municipality in accordance with the following:

All gas tap fees shall be \$100.00.

In addition to the connection fees, there shall be an additional charge for the gas service line measured from the center of the road to the building as follows:

for a 3/4" line	\$0.75 per foot
for a 2" line	\$1.25 per foot

The cost of boring under a road shall be an additional charge to the customer where boring is required.

There shall also be charged a service charge for setting a gas meter. Such a charge shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00). This service charge shall also apply when the gas customer is turned off due to non-payment of gas bill. There shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00) service charge for turning off a customer for the summer. There shall be a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) service charge for turning a customer's gas back on for the winter and for each new gas service inside the city limits. There shall be a thirty-five dollar (\$35.00) service charge for turning a customer's gas back on for the winter and each new gas service outside the city limits. These service charges will be increased to fifty dollars (\$50.00) when performed after regular working hours.

In the event a customer requests the city to check a gas meter for accuracy, leak, or misreading, a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) service shall apply for customers inside the city limits and a thirty-five dollar (\$35.00) service shall apply for customers outside the city limits in all cases except when it is determined by the city that the problem was a leak or was due to the city's error or mistake. (as added by Ord. #07-3, March 2007)

19-108. Extensions. No extensions of the municipal gas system outside the corporate limits shall be made without the approval of the governing body.

The governing body may authorize the mayor to approve extensions of less than one thousand feet (1,000'). Upon receiving said approval, the customer shall pay in addition to the fees as set out in §§ 19-101 and 19-107 of this chapter, one dollar (\$1.00) per foot for the two inch (2") gas main which shall be installed by the municipality. The costs shall automatically be increased as the cost of gas pipe increases.

The governing body may authorize the extensions of more than one thousand feet (1,000') with the option that the city will pay as opposed to only the customer paying. The governing body shall also determine if the planned extension will be feasible before authorizing the extension. (as added by Ord. #07-3, March 2007, and amended by Ord. #14-10, Oct. 2014)