

TITLE 19

ELECTRICITY AND GAS

CHAPTER

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CHAPTER 1

ELECTRICITY¹

SECTION

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¹Municipal code reference
Electrical code: title 12.

²The agreements are of record in the office of the city recorder.

CHAPTER 2

GAS¹

SECTION

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19-201. Monthly charges. The following, except as hereinafter provided, shall be the schedule of monthly charges for natural gas and services furnished by the natural gas system of the City of Waynesboro, Tennessee, to wit:

GAS RATES -- EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 2001 BILLING

RESIDENTIAL AND GENERAL GAS SERVICE

AVAILABILITY:

At points on company's existing facilities of adequate capacity and suitable pressure when natural gas is obtained in sufficient quantities for all requirements of distribution by city.

APPLICATION:

To gas service for domestic uses by a residential customer and for general service for which no other schedule applies.

NET MONTHLY BASE RATE:

	Inside City Classes 22/35	Outside City Classes 01/14
For the First 500 cf or Less	\$ 5.91	\$ 8.07
All additional Usage	\$ 5.33/Mcf	\$ 6.18/Mcf
Monthly Minimum	\$ 5.91	\$ 8.07

¹Municipal code reference
Gas code: title 12.

INDUSTRIAL GAS SERVICE

AVAILABILITY:

At points on company's existing facilities of adequate capacity and suitable pressure when natural gas is obtained in sufficient quantities for all requirements of distribution by city.

APPLICATION:

To gas service to industrial customers.

NET MONTHLY RATE:

For the First 5,000 cf	\$ 6.01/Mcf
All additional Usage	\$ 5.25/Mcf
Monthly Minimum	\$ 30.05

Adjustments. (1) Purchased gas adjustment. To assure that the City of Waynesboro recovers the purchase, storage cost, capacity reservation cost, and long term supply reservation cost of all gas injected into its distribution system for delivery to its sales, any increase in the cost of any of the above will result in automatic and immediate increase in the retail rates of an equal and like amount.

The rates per MCF (1,000 cubic feet) of gas set forth in section two of this resolution shall be increased by an amount hereinafter described, which amount is called the "Purchase Gas Adjustment." The Purchase Gas Adjustment (PGA) shall become effective in any billing cycle when there is an increase in the base cost of supply. An increase in the cost of supply will result in an automatic and immediate increase in the customer rates of an equal and like amount for the billing cycle in which the increase occurred. The (PGA) shall be calculated and established by the city manager.

(2) B.T.U. adjustment. The amount computed above any of the above stated rate schedules may be adjusted by multiplying such amount by the average of the B.T.U. content per cubic foot of the gas delivered to the city. For purposes of determining such average heating value, city may rely on reports furnished by city's supplier.

(3) Charges levied by governmental authority. The amount computed under any of the city's natural gas sales rates may be increased to reflect any applicable proportionate part of any directly allocable tax, impost or assessment imposed or levied by any governmental authority, which is assessed or levied against the city or directly affects the city's cost of operation and which the city is legally obligated to pay on the basis of meters, customers, or rates of, or revenues from gas or service sold, or on any other basis where direct allocation is possible. (1973 Code, § 13-401, as amended by Ord. #632, June 1977; Ord. #678, July 1993; Ord. #681, Oct. 1993; Ord. 703A, Sept. 1996; and Ord. #720, Feb. 2001)

19-202. Monthly bills. All gas meters shall be read monthly and bills rendered monthly based on such reading. All bills shall be due and payable from and after the date on which such bills are rendered. (1973 Code, § 13-401)

19-203. Billing when meter is inoperative. In the event any meter shall be found to be inoperative at the end of any billing period or to be faulty or inaccurate for any reason, the meter will be replaced or repaired as soon as possible and the bill for natural gas used during the current period shall be the average of the last three monthly bills. (1973 Code, § 13-403)

19-204. Delinquent bills. If any bill for gas service shall be and remain due and unpaid for as long as fifteen days after rendition, there shall be an additional charge of ten per centum (10%) added thereto.

If any bill for gas service shall be and remain past due and unpaid for as long as thirty (30) days, gas service to such delinquent customer shall be disconnected and shall not be reconnected until all past due bills shall have been paid in full, together with a reconnection charge of five dollars (\$5.00). It shall be the duty of the gas inspector of the system to notify the operator of the natural gas system of such delinquency, who shall proceed immediately to the premises of the customer so in arrears and disconnect service. (1973 Code, § 13-404)

19-205. 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 city, or to reconnect service, when it shall have been disconnected for non-payment of a bill for service, until such bill shall have been paid in full, including the reconnection fee. (1973 Code, § 13-405)

19-206. Cash deposits for service. Each customer shall, before connecting with the system, obtain a permit therefor from the city and shall deposit ten dollars (\$10.00) as security for the prompt payment of all accounts of the subscriber with the system, which deposit shall be returned to the subscriber upon termination of the services if all charges due the city shall have been paid, but in the event that the subscriber shall become in arrears in such charges, then such deposit shall be used in whole or in part, in liquidation of same, and the deposit by the subscriber shall be his consent to such use in such an event. All such deposits shall be retained in a separate account to be accounted for at the termination of service, except in the case of a subscriber becoming in arrears in charges, in which event the deposit may be withdrawn from the special account and applied to the payment of the delinquent charge. (1973 Code, § 13-406)

19-207. Installation policy. The city shall provide the meter, meter box, regulators and the service pipe from the gas main to the consumer's property line, and such installation shall remain the property of the city. The gas service pipe shall be installed by the city from the property line of the consumer which is nearest the main to the initial junction with the consumer's pipe. From the initial junction with the service pipe, the consumer pipe shall be installed by the city at a cost determined by the Gas Department. The consumer shall pay a minimum of \$125.00 plus cost of installation on consumer's property and said expenses may be payable in five monthly installments in lieu of a one time payment in full. All installation of consumer pipe shall be installed in conformity with provisions of §§ 12-401 through 12-412

of this code. In the event that service is discontinued for any reason, the gas inspector is authorized to remove the meter, regulator, meter box and gas service line which was installed by the city. Further if gas service is discontinued prior to the payment in full of the installation cost under the payment plan, said balance of said payment plan shall remain a lien on the property of the consumer, the same as delinquent property taxes. Reinstallation of service shall be subject to the payment of the installation cost in full plus any delinquent charges on service. (Ord. #660, Aug. 1987)