ordinance no. <u>2013</u>-2

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING SEWER RATES

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LOCKESBURG

This division shall be known as the "Sewer Increase Ordinance" and sets forth a uniform sewer rate increase for the City of Lockesburg, Arkansas. The objectives of this Ordinance are:

- (a) To uniformly increase the sewer rates within the jurisdiction of the City of Lockesburg, Arkansas;
- (b) To repeal all existing ordinances in conflict therewith.

Sec. 5.04.01 General Increase of Sewer Rates.

- (a) The sewer rate structure shall herein be changed from an unmetered flat rate to a metered single block rate based on sewer consumption.
- (b) The flat sewer rate shall herein be changed to thirteen dollars and sixty cents (\$13.60) per month with a zero (0) gallon allowance. The usage rate shall herein be four dollars and forty-one cents (\$4.41) per one thousand (1,000.00) gallons for all water used.
- (c) Sewer Usage Rates shall hereafter be increased annually by 5% or the Consumer Price Index, whichever is greater.
- (d) The flat sewer rate shall be adjusted annually according to the recommendation by debt service.
- (e) The City of Lockesburg, Arkansas shall fund a Sewer Operation and Maintenance Reserve fund at a rate of 12.5% of operation and maintenance expenses monthly.

PASSED this 13th day of August 2013.

MAYOR DANNY **X**UTH

Attest:

Becky Jegstrup, Recorder/Treasurer

6.0 Recommendations

- Change rate structure from an unmetered flat rate to a metered single block rate based on water consumption
- Set flat rate to \$13.60 per month with a zero (0) gallon allowance. Set usage rate to \$4.41 / 1,000 gallons for all water used.
- Increase usage rates annually by 5% or Consumer Price Index, whichever is greater
- Annually adjust flat rate according to debt service
- Fund Operation and Maintenance reserve at a rate of 12.5% of O & M expenses