COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD

ORDINANCE NUMBER: 1221

INTRODUCED BY: Peter Dunbar

DATE OF INTRODUCTION: April 23, 2013

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NUMBER 1204 AND TO SET NEW WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE TOWN OF OXFORD, COMMENCING JULY 1, 2013

WHEREAS, the Town of Oxford maintains public water and sewer systems for the benefit of the citizens of the Town of Oxford; and,

WHEREAS, the costs and expenses necessary to provide water and sewer services within the Town of Oxford have been analyzed by the Town's administrative staff and the Commissioners of Oxford; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Oxford anticipate major maintenance cost to the Water Tower in the next two years and intend to prepare for the required upgrade to the Wastewater Treatment System in the next three years, including related architectural, financial, legal, planning and engineering expenses; and,

WHEREAS, the terms of the Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration's Drinking Water Loan Agreement requires that the Town of Oxford enact water and sewer rates sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the financing instrument; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners have determined that the following classifications and related water and sewer rates are necessary to continue to provide for the costs and expenses related to the maintenance, improvement and operation of the water and sewer utilities of the Town of Oxford, and to meet Oxford's responsibilities under the Bay Restoration Fund legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD,

<u>Section 1.:</u> Effective July 1, 2013, the existing water and sewer rates for Oxford water and sewer service set forth in Oxford Ordinance 1204 are repealed.

Section 2: Effective July 1, 2013, the following water and sewer rates shall become effective.

2013 Water/Sewer Rates – Per Quarter

Residential Fixed Water	19.26	20.00
Residential Fixed Sewer	32.10	35.00
First 9000 Gallons Water Usage	51.36	53.00
First 9000 Gallons Sewer Usage	77.04	82.00
Each 1000 Gallons over 9000 Water	2.57	2.65
Each 1000 Gallons over 9000 Sewer	4 .81	5.15
Bay Restoration Fee	15.00	15.00

Vacant Lot – Per Quarter

Fixed Water	14.30	15.00
Fixed Sewer	19.26	21.00

Residential Water Only Account - Per Quarter

Fixed Water First 9000 Gallons Per 1000 Gallons over 9000	19.26 64.20 2.57	20.00 66.00 2.65		
Commercial Water and Sewer –	Per Quarter			
Fixed Water Fixed Sewer First 9000 Gallons Water First 9000 Gallons Sewer Each 1000 Gallons over 9000 Water Each 1000 Gallons over 9000 Sewer Bay Restoration Fee	26.97 39.81 51.36 77.04 -2.57 4.81 15.00	$28.00 \\ 43.00 \\ 53.00 \\ 82.00 \\ 2.65 \\ 5.15 \\ 15.00$		
Commercial Water Only – Per Quarter				
Fixed Water First 9000 Gallons Per 1000 Gallons over 9000 <u>Commercial Sewer Only – Pe</u>	26.97 64.20 -2.57 r Quarter	28.00 66.00 2.65		

Fixed Sewer	39.81	43.00
First 9000 Gallons	64.20	66.00
Per 1000 Gallons over 9000	-4.81	5.15
Bay Restoration Fee	15.00	15.00

<u>Note:</u> The first 9000 gallon charge is a service availability charge which applies even if there is a "0" usage.

<u>Section 3:</u> This Ordinance shall govern water and sewer rates for the quarter ending in September, 2013 and thereafter until amended.

ENACTED THIS 28TH DAY OF MAY, 2013.

COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD:

Peter Dunbar, President

Gordon Graves, Commissioner

Carole Abruzzese, Commissioner

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance Number 1221 of the Town of Oxford was duly read, advertised, and enacted with the applicable provisions of the Charter of the Town of Oxford on this _____ day of _____, 2013.

Attest:

Cheryl Lewis, Clerk/Treasurer Town of Oxford