ORDINANCE NO. 81

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR METER REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESSES OF THE LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT, JACKSON AND WILLIAMSON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS.

WHEREAS, the District currently has ordinances pertaining to meter requirements for residential and business properties; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) allows each district to adopt and enforce its own ordinances as it pertains to meter requirements for property within its District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Lakeside Water District has determined that it is in the best interest of the District and its customers that one ordinance be adopted setting forth the meter requirement and penalty and enforcement provisions for failure to comply.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: METER REQUIREMENTS

- 1. One meter shall be required for each single-family individually owned residence. Single-family residence is defined as follows: For purposes of this Ordinance, individually owned structures or residences that share a common wall or ownership right and have ground floor access, such as townhouses, duplexes, or rowhouses, shall be treated as separate buildings and shall have separate connections to the District's water system. However, such individually owned structures or residences established as part of a condominium association may use a single water supply service line from the District's water main to a centralized location, such as an exterior manifold or meter room with independent shutoff valves to each unit. There shall be a main shutoff valve at the property line. Such arrangements shall comply with the Ordinances of the Lakeside Water District.
- 2. One meter shall be required for business structures if water use is needed. Business structure is defined as follows: Any structure with public access used for the purposes of operating a business. In the event there is more than one business under a common roof or a residence with one or more businesses, each unit residence/business shall be considered a separate structure and required to have a separate meter, if water is needed in said unit.

Section 2: VIOLATION REPORTING AND RESOLUTION:

- 1. Upon discovery of a nonconforming residence or business structure, the District shall inform the party accountable under the contract for service to the property, in writing, of the violation.
- 2. The accountable party shall have thirty (30) days from the date of notification of the violation in which to submit to the Board of Trustees of Lakeside Water District a plan to remedy the violation. Customers shall complete the remedial action within ninety (90) days of the notification, or such other time as may be deemed appropriate by said Board if an extension beyond ninety (90) days is warranted.
- 3. Failure of the accountable party to provide written remedial action to the Board or complete the remedial action within ninety (90) days, or such other time as extended by the Board, will result in the termination of water service to the property. Lakeside Water District will reconnect service, within a reasonable period of time as allowed, to the accountable party at such time as the accountable party complies with District Ordinances.

Section 3: REMEDIATION OF VIOLATIONS

In the event there is a master meter serving more than one structure (violation of Section 2(1) or Section 2(2)), the owner of the property shall have the following three (3) options:

- 1. Have a separate meter installed for each individual structure; or
- 2. In the event an owner decides to replace or install additional meters and after it has been determined by Lakeside Water District that an owner should be allowed to delay the replacement of meters or the installation of additional meters, owners shall sign an agreement with the District that provides that owner will either:
 - a. Establish a payment plan with the District that will allow the owner to pay for replacement/addition of meters to correct the deficiency. These payments shall be segregated by the District and restricted to use by the District exclusively for replacement/addition of meters; or

- b. Agree to the recording of a memorandum of agreement in the County Recorder's office agreeing that at the time of transfer of ownership from owner to a third party that third party shall have the obligation to replace or install meters as required by the District within six months of transfer; or
- 3. If it has been determined by Lakeside Water District that the existing master meter is of sufficient size to supply water in adequate amounts at pressure required by Illinois Environmental Protection Agency rules and regulations to each individual structure, the owner may continue to use the master meter so long as the owner accepts, in writing;
 - a. The responsibility of complying with Illinois Environmental Protection Agency rules and regulations and releases Lakeside Water District from all compliance responsibility with Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.
 - b. The owner also agrees to allow Lakeside Water District access to the master meter for the purpose of reading the master meter and shutting off service for failure to comply with District Ordinances or Illinois Environmental Protection Agency rules and regulations. The point of demarcation being the meter pit.
 - c. Agree to the recording of a memorandum of agreement in the County Recorder's office agreeing that at the time of transfer of ownership from owner to a third party that third party shall have the obligation to contact the District within 30 days and either:
 - i. Bring property into compliance with District Ordinances that are in effect at the time of ownership change; or
 - ii. Apply to the board for a new master meter agreement.

Passed, adopted and filed in the office of the Secretary, this 12th day of August, 2025.

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Secretary, Board of Trustees