

**BOROUGH OF ALBURTIS
LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 323

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE TAX RATES AND SEWER AND WATER CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1996, MAKING NO INCREASE IN THE TAX, WATER, AND SEWER RATES APPLICABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1995, INCLUDING THE REAL ESTATE TAX RATE OF 6.4 MILLS, AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR LATE PAYMENTS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ALBURTIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: An annual per capita tax of \$10.00 for the year 1995 is hereby levied and assessed on each resident of the Borough of Alburttis, eighteen (18) years of age and over. The provisions of Ordinance 224, Sections I, II and III are hereby ratified and affirmed.

SECTION II: The annual earned income tax of 1% on salaries, wages, commissions, other compensation and earned income established under Sections 117-38 through 117-49 of the Code of the Borough of Alburttis is hereby confirmed for the year 1996.

SECTION III: The annual occupational privilege tax of \$10.00 established under Sections 117-14 through 117-25 of the Code of the Borough of Alburttis is hereby confirmed for the year 1996.

SECTION IV: The realty transfer tax of 1% established under Sections 117-26 through 117-37.5 of the Code of the Borough of Alburttis is hereby confirmed for the year 1996.

SECTION V: A tax is hereby levied on all assessed property within the Borough of Alburttis subject to taxation, for the fiscal year 1996 as follows:

- (a) For the general borough purposes, the sum of 6.4 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.
- (b) The total tax rate for general borough purposes amounts to 6.4 mills.

SECTION VI: Sewer rentals or charges are imposed upon and shall be collected from the owner of each improved property which shall be connected with the sewer system, for use of the sewer system, whether such use shall be direct or indirect, which sewer rentals or charges shall commence and shall be effective as of the date of connection of each improved property to the sewer system and shall be payable as follows:

Flat rate for each dwelling unit: \$120.00/year
 Flat rate for each commercial/business: 170.00/year

Temporary surcharge for each dwelling unit and each commercial/business unit to be added as Council deems necessary: 120.00/year

All other sewer rentals or charges shall remain unchanged.

Sewer rentals or charges shall continue to be payable per quarter.

SECTION VII: The rent or charge for use and consumption of water by all metered users drawing from the water system of the Borough of Alburtis shall be as follows:

(1) **METER CHARGES.** A minimum meter charge for the drawing of one (1) gallon to three thousand (3,000) gallons, quarterly, based upon meter size, shall be as follows:

Size of Meter (inches)	Minimum Charge per Quarter
5/8	\$ 12.09
3/4	12.09
1	36.27
1-1/4	48.35
1-1/2	72.51
2	120.86
3	193.37
4	314.21
6	660.07

- (2) **VOLUME CHARGE.** In addition to the minimum meter charge described in paragraph (1), all users who draw over three thousand gallons of water in any calendar quarter shall be charged a volume based on total quarterly consumption as follows:

Water Consumption (gallons)	Rate
3,001-8,000	\$2.43 per 1,000 gal. (or fraction) over 3,000 gal.
8,001-13,000	\$12.15 + \$2.66 per 1,000 gal. (or fraction) over 8,000 gal.
13,001-18,000	\$25.45 + \$2.90 per 1,000 gal. (or fraction) over 13,000 gal.
over 18,000	\$39.95 + \$3.15 per 1,000 gal. (or fraction) over 18,000 gal.

- (3) **SPRINKLER SYSTEM CHARGE.** A charge of forty three dollars and ninety-five cents (\$43.95) per quarter shall be paid by all resident users of water service maintaining a fire line independently or in connection with the installation of an automatic sprinkler device system.

- (4) **NEW UNIT/FUTURE FACILITIES CHARGE.** Every consumer of water served by Alburtis water system hereafter obtaining a permit for the installation of a water meter of the conversion of service from a single unit to multiple-unit service shall be subject to a surcharge of three hundred seventy-eight dollars and twenty-five cents (\$378.25) per unit service. Such surcharge shall be due and payable at the time of installation of a water meter or unit conversion. The proceeds of this surcharge are to be separately maintained in a fund to be used for future water service facilities improvements.

SECTION VIII: A penalty of ten percent (10%) shall be charged for all tax bills not paid within sixty (60) days from the date of billing. An additional penalty of one percent (1%) per month shall be chargeable after the expiration of ninety (90) days with payment, provided that total penalty charges shall not exceed thirteen percent (13%).

SECTION IX: Any ordinance or any part of any ordinance conflicting with this ordinance is repealed to the extent of the conflict with this ordinance.

DULY ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 27th day of December, 1995, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alburtis, in lawful session duly assembled.

BOROUGH COUNCIL
BOROUGH OF ALBURTIS

BY: Carlton R. Raines
Carlton R. Raines
President of Council

ATTEST:

Louise Stahley
Louise Stahley, Secretary

APPROVED this 27th day of December, 1995.

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