

## ORDINANCE NO. 352

### AN ORDINANCE RAISING WATER AND SEWER RATES IN THE CITY OF FOREMAN, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

The Foreman City Council at its regular meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024 adopted the following Ordinance:

**WHEREAS**, Based on an analysis by its rate consultant, the City of Foreman sewer and water rates are insufficient to support the City water and sewer system; and,

**WHEREAS**, Based thereon, the City Council deems it prudent to raise the water and sewer rates, for residents of the City of Foreman, Arkansas:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City of Foreman, Arkansas:

**SECTION I:** That water rates are raised to the following:

For the first 1,000 gallons of water consumption  
(or portion thereof) per month \$32.64 (minimum)

For each 1,000 gallons of water consumption (or portion thereof) per month after 1,000  
gallons \$ 7.75

**SECTION II:** That sewer rates are raised to the following:

For the first 1,000 gallons of water consumption  
(or portion thereof) per month \$13.00 (minimum)

For each 1,000 gallons of water consumption  
(or portion thereof) per month after 1,000 gallons \$ 4.25

**SECTION III:** That all sections of said ordinance not otherwise amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

**EMERGENCY CLAUSE:** Inasmuch as the present sewer and water rates are insufficient to support the City of Foreman water and sewer departments, and the financial security of the system is in a precarious state. In order to comply with existing laws and provide for public health and welfare, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on the June 2024 Billing Cycle.

This Ordinance was adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.

  
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William B. Harp, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Roger Quilty, Recorder

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