

**BOROUGH OF TRAPPE**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 430**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 326, SECTIONS 326-4 AND 326-18A OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF TRAPPE TO REVISE AND RESTATE A TAPPING FEE, CONNECTION FEE AND CUSTOMER FACILITIES FEE FOR CONNECTION TO THE WATER SYSTEM LOCATED IN TRAPPE BOROUGH OPERATED AND MAINTAINED BY THE COLLEGEVILLE-TRAPPE JOINT PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Trappe Borough currently charges a tapping fee, connection fee and customer facilities fee for connection by any property located in Trappe Borough to the water system operated and maintained by the Collegeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Committee ("the Committee"), said fees being described and authorized at Chapter 326, Sections 326-4 and 326-18A of the Code of the Borough of Trappe ("the Code"); and

WHEREAS, the Committee has authorized and directed its engineer Entech Engineering, Inc. to undertake a recalculation of said tapping fee, connection fee and customer facilities fee pursuant to the provisions of the Municipality Authorities Act, 53 Pa. C.S.A. Section 5607 and the Municipalities Planning Code, 53 P.S. Section 10507-A; and

WHEREAS, the said Entech Engineering, Inc. has undertaken a recalculation of said fees which is embodied in a certain report dated March 20, 2015 entitled "Calculation of the Tapping Fee for the Water System in Accordance with Pa. Act 57 of 2003".

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Trappe, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania as follows:

**SECTION 1.** – Chapter 326, Section 326-4 of the Code is hereby revised to read as follows:

"Charges For Connection and Customer Facilities"

- A. There is hereby fixed and imposed upon the owner of each property located in Trappe Borough making any connection to the water system operated and maintained by the Collegeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Committee a connection fee equal to the actual cost of installation of water service facilities from the water main to the curb stop, including, but not limited to opening the street, installing a service line and curb stop and restoring the roadway, curbing, sidewalk and any other disturbed area to PennDOT and Borough specifications.
- B. There is hereby fixed and imposed upon the owner of each property located in Trappe Borough making any connection to the water system operated and maintained by the Collegeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Committee a customer facilities fee equal to the actual cost of installation of a water meter and backflow preventer and inspection of facilities installed by the owner.
- C. The lateral shall not be covered until the tap on the main is made and the lateral is connected and tested.
- D. In cases of state highways, the Collegeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Committee will, at the request of the owner, make an application for the opening of the street, the cost of the application to be at the expense of the owner."

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 326, Section 326-18A is hereby revised to read as follows:

"Imposition of Tapping Fee"

- A. Any person, firm or corporation applying for water service shall pay the following tapping fee with respect to any residential, commercial, industrial, institutional or other construction which is to be connected to the Collegeville-Trappe Joint Water System, for

each equivalent dwelling unit ("EDU") of use (defined as 167.7 gallons per day) relating thereto:

(1)	Capacity part	\$1,770.00
(2)	Distribution part	\$1,010.00
	Total Capital Contribution Charge or Tapping Fee	\$2,780.00

Said payment shall be made to the Collegeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Committee at such time as the final subdivision and development Agreement is approved or a building permit is requested, whichever first occurs."

**SECTION 3. – Severability**

The provisions of this Ordinance are intended to be severable, and if any section, sentence, clause, part or provision hereof shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, parts or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Borough Council that this Ordinance would have been adopted even if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause, part or provision had not been included herein.

**SECTION 4. – Repealer**

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances and any resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 5. – Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as required by the law.

**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Trappe,  
Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, this 7th of April, 2015.

Attest:

**TRAPPE BOROUGH COUNCIL:**

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Robert Layman, Municipal Secretary

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Nevin H. Scholl, President

APPROVED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015

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Connie Peck, Mayor