

TOWN OF MAGNOLIA

ARTICLE IV WATER

401. Water Usage

The Town of Magnolia shall restrict the excessive use of water in drought conditions, by notice to the public by placing such notice within five locations of public or frequent attendance within the town limits. Such water restrictions shall be made only in times of drought conditions where there may be a shortage of water and/or a need to conserve water resources as determined by the Town Council. Any violation of water restrictions would include, but not be limited to: Car washing, filling pools, excessive running of water hoses for sprinklers, children playing, etc. The fine for violating such water restrictions would be a minimum of \$75.00 and a maximum of \$250.00 plus legal fees for each offense accordingly. Anyone who tampers with and/or attempts to operate any part of the Town of Magnolia water system will be fined no less than \$500.00 for the first offense and for each subsequent offense plus legal fees.

402. Water Bills

Owners shall be billed quarterly according to the number of dwelling units registered on the property. Any resident not paying their water bills within 15 days following the delinquency date as stipulated on their water usage utility bill, shall be sent a notice of intent to disconnect within 5 days. Should said water bill not be paid within the specified period of time, the water will be disconnected or at the Town Council's discretion reduced to a trickle for health and safety reasons. Any resident unable to pay the required water bill may contact Town Council to make arrangements should such person be indigent and make a forthright attempt to meet such financial obligation. The discretion to accept payment arrangements shall be that of Town Council. Should the water be disconnected for non-payment, a reconnection fee of \$50.00 will be assessed.

The water bill responsibility for rental properties or vacant properties shall be that of the property owner. [See also Article VII, Sections 702 and 703.] Should such property owner elect to charge the tenant for water, such arrangement will be the responsibility of the landlord. The property owner will at all times be billed for water usage of any and all properties within the Town of Magnolia. Should the landlord not respond to a certified letter from Town Council regarding such, a lien shall be placed upon the rental property accordingly. Water bill delinquencies shall be posted on the Town Hall bulletin board on a monthly basis.

403. Trash Removal [Moved to Article VII]

404. Mowing of Grass
[Moved to Article VII]

405. Maintenance of Residential or Commercial Property
[Moved to Article VII]

406. Business Licenses
[DELETED]

407. Construction / Building Permits
[Moved to Article VII]

408. Condemned Property
[Moved to Article VII]

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