## **ORDINANCE NO. 310**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 70-195 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE PERTAINING TO DUE DATE; DELINQUENCY CHARGE; DELINQUENCY CUTOFF DATE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA:

Section 70-195 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Port St. Joe is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the following:

- (a) All accounts or bills which are not paid before the expiration of the tenth day of the month succeeding the month for which such accounts or bills were rendered, an additional amount of \$5.00 delinquency fee shall be charged and collected. If such accounts or bills, including the additional charge of \$5.00 are not paid before the expiration of the 20<sup>th</sup> day of such month, such service shall be discontinued until such account or bill, including the additional charge of \$5.00 is paid unless the consumer contacts the city regarding such outstanding bill as stated on the bill.
- (b) In addition to the amount of the bill and the additional charge of \$5.00, there shall be an additional charge of \$15.00 to reconnect any consumer disconnected for failure to pay a bill.
- (c) The city auditor and clerk is authorized to vacate the additional charge of \$15.00 when it shall appear to him/her that justice to the consumer demands such action.

## And inserting:

- (a) All accounts or bills which are not paid before the expiration of the tenth day of the month succeeding the month for which such accounts or bills were rendered, an additional amount of \$10.00 delinquency fee shall be charged and collected. If such accounts or bills, including the additional charge of \$10.00 are not paid before the expiration of the 20<sup>th</sup> day of such month, such service shall be discontinued until such account or bill, including the additional charge of \$10.00 is paid unless the consumer contacts the city regarding such outstanding bill as stated on the bill.
- (b) In addition to the amount of the bill and the additional charge of \$10.00, there shall be an additional charge of \$35.00 to reconnect any consumer disconnected for failure to pay a bill.
- (c) The city auditor and clerk is authorized to vacate the additional charge of \$35.00 when it shall appear to him/her that justice to the consumer demands such action.

**REPEAL:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

THIS ORDINANCE ADOPTED this 17th day of August , 2004.

BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

Mayor-Commissioner

City Clerk