

UTILITY SERVICES

All hook-up charges for utilities will be paid with the issuance of a building permit. **Hook-up charges will not be billed, and must be paid in advance.**

General Information

All service hook-ups must be coordinated through Wahoo Utilities at 605 North Broadway. **The point of service and meter location at the structure are determined by the Utility. This will be from the closest appropriate utility-owned facilities to the closest part of the structure.** If the owner objects to the point of service (location of service and meter on the house), the Utility will consider, but not guarantee, relocating the point of service and meters. The owner shall pay all additional costs for change of location. The electric and gas meters and remote water reader shall be accessible to Wahoo Utilities at all times.

Concrete removal. The hook-up fees listed for electric, water, sewer and natural gas service do not include concrete removal or replacement. If pavement removal is required for service hook-up, the Utilities will cut and remove concrete. The City Street Department will repour the section removed. Actual cost is charged for this service.

If the homeowner is the General Contractor, a service deposit will need to be paid by the homeowner and an application for utilities completed. The homeowner will

receive monthly utility bills and will be responsible for the payment of those bills.

If the homeowner is not the General Contractor, the General Contractor will need to provide billing information to Wahoo Utilities. The General Contractor will then receive the monthly bill and be responsible for paying that bill until the final occupancy inspection is made. After all final inspections are completed, Occupancy Certificate is issued, and the service deposit is received from the homeowner, final readings will be taken and service will be put in the homeowner's name.

Service Deposit for Gas: \$ 75.00 Service Deposit for Electric Service: \$100.00

Service Deposit for Water and Sewer/Wastewater: \$25.00

Letters of good credit from previous utilities will be considered in lieu of cash deposit.

Electric Service

120/240V, 100, 125, 200, 320, and 400 amp services are available from Wahoo Utilities. The cost of 100, 125 and 200 amp service is \$500.00; 320 amp service is \$600.00; and 400 amp service is \$800.00. This fee includes: service drop to the building, **meter socket**, and permanent meter. Any fees charged by an electrician for the installation of the meter socket are not included in the utility department fee. A commercial rate will be

charged until a final inspection is done and the Building Inspector has issued the Occupancy Certificate, even if the homeowner is the General Contractor. The residential rate will not be charged until the Occupancy Certificate is issued and the utility service deposit has been paid.

Commercial Services – Wahoo Utilities does not provide or install commercial underground secondary. The owner is responsible for providing underground secondary wiring from meter to transformer.

Water Service (where available)

The Utility taps the water main and installs service to the curb stop and sets the curb stop and box. It will be the builder's responsibility to install the service from the stop box to the structure, stabilize the water meter inside the structure, and protect it from freezing.

The monthly meter charge and water usage will be billed at regular rates. The monthly meter charge for ¾" service is \$3.47; the monthly meter charge for 1" service is \$7.32; plus consumption.

Curb stop.

Under no circumstances will the builder or plumber be allowed to operate the curb stop. Non-authorized turn-on of service is considered theft. The Utility reserves the right to deny water service to the builder or plumber if this occurs.

Failure to follow this policy will result in the Utility shutting off water to the site. There may also be fees charged to turn the water back on after it has been shut off.

Fees

Wahoo Utilities strongly suggests a 1" water service for new home construction. The following hook-up fees are charged for water service:

¾" water service \$525.00

1" water service \$575.00

1 ½" water service \$825.00

(All water services larger than 1 1/2" will be installed on a time and material basis. Contractors may install services as long as material meets Wahoo Utilities specifications.)

This fee includes the following: one ball valve, one plumbhorn, and one water meter. The ball valve supplied by Wahoo Utilities is to be installed behind the plumbhorn. The plumber is responsible for installation of a ball valve ahead of the plumbhorn. Pits are not the preferred service, but will be considered if circumstances warrant. The owner will pay for time and materials to install a pit and touch reader.

When any service is installed, the meter will immediately be installed and billing started.

Wahoo Utilities must install a remote reader wire from the water meter to the exterior before the

homeowner finishes the basement. Please contact Wahoo Utilities to coordinate this.

Sewer Service (where available)

A sewer tap fee will be charged according to the following schedule (effective 5/1/01). This fee does not include the sewer saddle which can be purchased from Wahoo Utilities, or the Contractor can install their own as long as it is approved by the Building Inspector and/or Water/Wastewater Superintendent. Individual property owners shall not share the sewer line connection to mains. Wahoo Municipal Code requires installation of a backwater valve.

Single Family Residential: \$750 per lot

Multi-Family Units: \$500 for unit plus \$350 for each additional unit

Mobile Home Lot: \$500 per lot

Industrial or Commercial Lots: \$3,500 per acre, but not less than \$750 per acre

Natural Gas Service (where available)

A hook-up fee of \$500.00 is charged for natural gas service. The natural gas service lines will not be installed until the final grading is complete and location of electric service lines, air conditioners, windows or other openings, and any other ignition sources are indicated by the builder, as natural gas lines must be placed at least three feet away from these.

Cost of moving gas

service lines after initial installation due to location of an ignition source will be charged to the builder.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

Tampering with meters, seals, bypassing the meter, or any attempt to avoid charges as described could result in immediate disconnection of all services.

Services will not be reconnected until the applicable fees, the fine as described in Wahoo Municipal Code, and the reconnection fee have been paid.

Telephone, Garbage, and Cable TV Services

The City of Wahoo is not affiliated with cable TV, garbage, or telephone companies. The owner or General Contractor is responsible for contacting these services.

Phone service is provided by Windstream – for new or changed residential service call 800-501-1757. (for new business service, call 888-284-7135)

Cable TV service is provided by Charter Communications – 888-438-2427.

Residential garbage service is provided by Waste Connections: 1-800-279-7511 and Quality Disposal at 402-443-6013 or 402-642-9200.