

**VILLAGE OF BROWNSVILLE – VILLAGE BOARD
RESOLUTION #2023-03**

**Resolution Authorizing the Village of Brownsville to Direct Charge Public
Fire Protection**

WHEREAS, the Village of Brownsville, Dodge County, Wisconsin (the “Village”) owns and operates the Brownsville Waterworks (the “Utility”) as a public utility; and

WHEREAS, the Village provides fire protection for the benefit of the public health, safety and well-being of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Utility is authorized by the Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC) to recover the cost of production, storage, transmission, sale and delivery of water for public fire protection; and

WHEREAS, the Village has included the annual public fire protection charge due to the utility on the Village’s property tax levy; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute Section 196.03(3)(b) allow the Village Board to collect the public fire protection charge through the tax levy or as a direct charge on the water utility bills or a combination of both; and


WHEREAS, the Village Board desires to place the entire public fire protection charge on the utility bills as a direct charge for all users; and

WHEREAS, to provide greater equity throughout the Village, the Board desires to use the equivalent meter method for the calculating the direct charge;

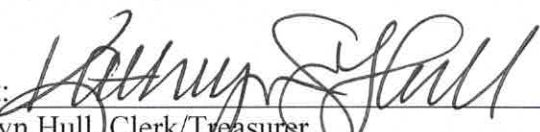
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board does request PSC approval to place the entire public fire protection charge on the utility bill using the equivalent meter method; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Village staff are authorized to work with PSC staff in implementing this request and that this change shall be effective only upon review and approval by the Public Service Commission of the State of Wisconsin.

Passed by the Village Board of the Village of Brownsville this 19th day of July 2023.



Timothy Kemmel, President

Attest: 

Kathryn Hull, Clerk/Treasurer