

ORDINANCE 02-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE SCOFIELD TOWN CODE MODIFYING WATER USER FEES AND CHARGES FOR CULINARY WATER SERVICE AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

THIS ORDINANCE REPEALS ANY PREVIOUS RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE REGARDING CULINARY WATER RATES FOR THE TOWN OF SCOFIELD. (REFERENCE RESOLUTION 02-2022, A RESOLUTION INCREASING THE MONTHLY WATER RATE AND ESTABLISHING A TIERED RATE FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL WATER AND RESOLUTION 01-2024 A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 02-2022 TO INCLUDE AGRICULTURAL WATER RATES)

WHEREAS, the Scofield Town Council recognizes the need to modify culinary water user fees from time to time in order to cover the costs of the operation and maintenance of the culinary water system and other expenses related to providing safe and adequate drinking water services, including financing the replacement and upgrading of the system's infrastructure and equipment needed to operate the system, and to promote wise water use by Scofield Town's culinary water customers; and

WHEREAS, the Scofield Town Council has determined that changes to the culinary water rate schedule are necessary in order to provide sufficient revenue to meet debt service costs for infrastructure improvements, as well as establishing renewal and replacement funds to provide for replacement of facilities and equipment as necessary, as well as funding adequate savings for future needs; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the sustainability of the system for years to come, the Scofield Town Council recognizes the need to keep up with the increased yearly inflation costs of sustaining a viable culinary water system and the importance of maintaining that continuity throughout administrative changes that may occur, and hereby implement an **annual 2.5% fee increase** on all base and tier usage levels throughout the next five years **effective March 1st, 2027-2034**, in order to maintain and improve sufficient revenue to meet not only basic operations and maintenance costs of the system, but to meet debt service, future infrastructure improvements, renewal and replacement needs, and emergency funding that is vital to protect and preserve this system; and

WHEREAS, the Scofield Town Council will review the culinary water system budget annually to ensure revenues are meeting budget demands, debt service, repairs and improvements and savings needs wherein occasional adjustments may be needed and addressed accordingly to Utah State Code; and

WHEREAS, as of 1/01/2021, Utah State Code section 10-8-22(4) requires that water rates be established by ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Scofield Town Council that the following culinary water rates are put into place as follows and shall be reflected as such in the Scofield Town Municipal Code:

SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF WATER RATES. The following water rates are hereby adopted and shall hereafter be charged to customers of the Town of Scofield culinary water system:

Residential Customers

The water rate to be charged to residential customers shall be as follows:

The minimum water rate shall be \$35.00 per month per connection

From 0 to 6,000 gallons \$35.00 Base Rate

From 6,001 to 13,000 gallons \$1.75 per 1,000 gallons

From 13,001 to 23,000 gallons \$2.75 per 1,000 gallons

From 23,001 to 33,000 gallons \$3.25 per 1,000 gallons

Over 33,000 gallons \$3.75 per 1,000 gallons

Commercial Customers

The water rate to be charged to commercial customers shall be as follows:

The minimum rate shall be \$35.00 per month

From 0 to 6,000 gallons \$35.00 Base Rate

Over 6,001 gallons \$1.35 per 1,000 gallons

Agricultural Customers

The water rate to be charged to commercial customers shall be as follows:

The minimum rate shall be \$35.00 per month

From 0 to 6,000 gallons \$35.00 Base Rate

Over 6,001 gallons \$1.35 per 1,000 gallons

SECTION 2. REPEALER

All residents of the Town of Scofield or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed. Resolution 02-2022 and Resolution 01-2024 are hereby specifically repealed.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance will be effective upon publishing and posting. Culinary water rates and fees will be effective March 1, 2026, and increase 2.5% March 1st annually from 2027 to 2031.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE SCOFIELD TOWN COUNCIL this 9th day of February, 2026.