Town of Jefferson Resolution # 08-17 Imposing Special Charges on Town Property for (City of) Jefferson Utilities

STATE OF WISCONSIN

Town of Jefferson Jefferson County

Whereas, Town of Jefferson properties and residents in portions of the Town are served by Jefferson Utilities, which is a municipal utility of the City of Jefferson, and,

WHEREAS, Jefferson Utilities is operated on a not for profit basis, and has been instructed by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Department of Revenue to recover all delinquent utility bills from customers on the property tax roll according to the provisions set out in Wis. Stats. § 66.0809; and

Whereas, Jefferson Utilities and the City of Jefferson request assistance from the Town to collect arrears from Town of Jefferson properties related to utility bills from Jefferson Utilities, and,

Whereas; under s. 66.0707 Wis. Stats. a city, village, or town may impose a special charge under s. 66.0627 against real property in an adjacent city, village or town that is served by current services rendered by the municipality imposing the special charge if the municipality in which the property is located approves the imposition by resolution and the owner of the property is entitled to the use and enjoyment of the service for which the special charge is imposed on the same conditions as the owner of property within the city, village or town, and,

Whereas, the Town Board of the Town of Jefferson believes it is in the public interest to assist the City of Jefferson to collect payment in an appropriate manner from properties located in the Town that are in arrears in their utility bills, and,

Whereas, the Town of Jefferson delegates the Jefferson Utilities Office Manager to send out required notices for Town residents involved in the collection process for properties located in the Town that are in arrears for current year utility bills, and,

Whereas, Jefferson Utilities will make all legal and appropriate collection attempts in advance of referring a property to the Town for the imposition of a special charge, and,

WHEREAS, Jefferson Utilities has agreed to properly notify on October 15 of each year its customers located in the Town of Jefferson who have delinquent utility bills and to certify to the Town of Jefferson Clerk on November 16 of each year the arrears and penalties of its customers that are located in the Town of Jefferson, and,

Whereas, the Town of Jefferson will not be held liable for any monies not collected for these special charges on the tax roll

Therefore, The Town of Jefferson will make a special charge under this section as a lien against the benefited property and it shall be collected by the treasurer in the same manner as the taxes of the Town and paid over by the Town treasurer to the treasurer of the City of Jefferson for payment to Jefferson Utilities, as the levying agent.

And, the City of Jefferson will make notice under (s. 60.80 Wis. Stats.) of the procedures for delinquency notices and actions, hearing rights before the Jefferson Utility Commission, and any other appeal and statutory rights available to those Town residents who are subject to special charges imposed on behalf of Jefferson Utilities, as an attachment to this resolution, and will make notice of any changes that may take place under City of Jefferson ordinances that guide Jefferson Utilities.

The town clerk shall properly post or publish this resolution as required under s. 60.80, Wis. stats.

Adopted this 7 th day of August, 2017.	
Tina Barnes Clerk, Town of Jefferson	
ATTEST TO:	
Tina Barnes, Clerk	Donna Hollinger, Chair
Tyson Barnes, Supervisor	Gregg Hill, Supervisor
Jim Mode, Supervisor	Tracie Stammer, Supervisor