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In order to safeguard the water supply system of the Village of Rockville Centre and in order to set standards in compliance with all applicable laws, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rockville Centre in accordance with Chapter 48 of the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre and Article 11 of the Village Law of the State of New York, does herein adopt the following Rules and Regulations of the Water Department of the Village of Rockville Centre.

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SECTION I – Application for Water

- 1. An application for the introduction of water to any premises must be filled out by the property owner on a form provided for such purposes and properly submitted before any application for tap permit will be accepted.
- 2. In the event of transfer of ownership of any property, the new owner must file a new application for water service.

SECTION II – Tap or Cut-in Permits

- Before any tap or cut-in permit will be issued, a permit must be obtained from the
 Department of Buildings for the opening of any road owned by the Village of Rockville
 Centre (Village), or from the State of New York for any State owned road, from the
 County of Nassau for any County owned road, from the Town of Hempstead for any
 Town owned road or any other municipality that owns the road.
- An application for tap or cut-in permit and/or permit for the destruction of same must be made on approved forms at the offices of the Rockville Centre Water Department (RVCWD).
- 3. A tap application must be accompanied by standard tapping fee as set forth in Fee Schedule "A".
- 4. Cut-in applications need not be accompanied by any fee. The actual Water Department cost of labor, material and overheads associated with the inspection of said cut-in will be billed to the property owner and said bill must be paid prior to the furnishing of water to said premises. The cut-in is to remain the property of the Water Department.

SECTION III – Plumbing

- 1. All plumbing work of any nature within the Village must be done under a plumbing permit issued by the Village Building Department.
- 2. All plumbing work of any nature within the Village or to any building serviced by the Village is required to be done by a plumber duly licensed by the Village.
- 3. The plumbing permit shall show the nature of all work to be done. Any additional work completed at the time of inspection but not shown on the original permit is deemed to be an addendum to the original permit. Work done without permit or addendum shall be considered unauthorized and shall be treated as described in Section XXX. A plumbing permit will be required for all unauthorized work at the time of discovery.
- 4. The Village Code covers the requirements of obtaining a plumbing license.

SECTION IV – Water Meters, (Services Requiring)

Water meters are required for usages as listed in Metered Rate Schedules as follows:

- a. Service Classification M-1 (Residential Service) within the Village franchise area;
- b. Service Classification M-2 (all services outside the Village franchise area);
- c. Service Classification M-3 (Religious and Educational);

d. Service Classification FP-1 (Fire Protection).

SECTION V – Tap and Service Installation

- 1. The trench over and about the pipe for the accommodation of the tapper must be dug under the supervision of the plumber taking out the permit and must be a minimum of four (4') feet square and not less than six (6") inches below the pipe and kept clear for the tapper.
- 2. The Water Department will furnish the required tap(s) and will install same.
- 3. The entire water service, including but not limited to valves, from water main tap to building must be installed by a licensed plumber at the expense of the property owner. Such expenses include but are not limited to necessary permits for street opening, excavation, material and labor of service installation, temporary and permanent repavement of street.
- 4. Services are to be laid at a minimum depth of four (4') feet in relation to established or proposed grades.
- 5. Services are to be an unbroken, continuous line from water main tap to curb stop and from curb stop to premises, unless the distance is so great as to make such impracticable. In such cases a connection approved by the Water Department must be used.
- 6. The pipe installed must be connected to the curb stop, be provided with a ball or gate valve inside the foundation wall and be properly placed in an open trench before the Water Department will install the tap.
- 7. Proper provisions for pipe expansion must be provided for in all service pipes.
- 8. All service pipes shall be disinfected with a minimum of 200 Mg/l chlorine, or its equivalent, at the time of installation. Large size services (2" and larger) shall require bacteriological sampling after pressure testing and flushing. Two consecutive samples 24 hours apart shall be taken and analyzed by the New York State approved laboratory. Two sets of negative test results must be submitted to the Water Department before water will be permitted to flow into new piping.
- 9. Immediately following the tapping of the main, the plumber will connect the service to the tap and in the presence of an authorized representative of the Water Department; he will make a pressure test of a minimum duration of ten minutes so as to check for leaks
- 10. Newly installed or replaced services shall be flushed for whatever period of time it takes to clear the pipe of all sand, stone or other debris. This is to be done prior to any connections within the premises and under the observation of a Water Department representative.
- 11. The trench must be back-filled and the road repaired in accordance with the terms of the street opening permit as issued.

SECTION VI – Service Specifications

- 1. A service as described herein refers to the service pipe from water main tap to the valve within the owner's premises.
- 2. Services from ¾" (min.) diameter must be copper as specified below.
- 3. Services of 2" and larger in diameter are classified as special and the property owner should contact the Superintendent with regards to such special services.
- 4. Copper Service Specifications

34" Seamless "K" copper tubing

1" Seamless "K" copper tubing

1 1/4" Seamless "K" copper tubing

1 1/2" Seamless "K" copper tubing

2" Seamless "K" copper tubing

5. Tap requirements

a.	<u>Size Service</u>	No. & Size of Taps
	3/″	1 – ¾" Tap
	1"	1 – 1" Tap
	1 ¼"	2 – 1" Taps
	1 ½"	3 – 1" Taps
	2" and over	Cut-in only

- b. A separate tap and service is required for each individual building. Multioccupancy buildings may be furnished water through one or more taps at the discretion of the Superintendent.
- c. Fee Schedule "A" shows the charges for tapping.

6. Service Connections

Service connections shall be flared type, brass or bronze of a type as approved by the Water Department. No threaded connections shall be permitted.

7. Curb Stops

- a. Curb stops, for services up to and including 2" must be permanently lubricated, inverted, ground key, round way type as specified by AWWA C800 current version (Oriseal or equal) and must be the same size as the service pipe. A flare connection must be used for all copper services.
- b. Gate valves, of a design approved by the RVCWD must be used as curb stops for services larger than 2" diameter.
- c. All curb stops or gates are to be located approximately two (2') feet inside of the curb line.
- d. Each curb stop shall be properly enclosed by a gate box and cover of a type as approved by the RVCWD which shall be a minimum of 3" diameter with a bolted cap. No operating rod shall be permitted.

8. Service Valve

A valve, of a design approved by the RVCWD must be located just inside of the basement wall on the incoming service. The service valve shall be fitted with flared type connection on the main (street) side. Other types of connection must have written approval by the RVCWD.

- 9. Provision for Meter and/or Backflow Prevention Device
 - a. On all new and all replacement water services entering the foundation of any structure, provision shall be made for the possible future installation of a backflow prevention device. A horizontal 24" length of pipe shall be provided 30" vertically above the floor and 12" horizontally from wall or obstruction. This pipe is to be located immediately before the test tee (9b). For requirements of specific backflow protection, refer to Section XXXV "Control of Backflow and Cross Connections."
 - b. A test tee with hose bib and an approved type valve must be located on the premises side of the fill-in piece as described below and in Section VII.
 - c. In all premises, not having or requiring a water meter, a horizontal fill-in piece of a minimum length of 24" shall be provided immediately following the service valve to accommodate future water meter installations.
 - d. Meters and/or backflow prevention device must be installed by a licensed plumber at the expense of the property owner as per Section VII.

SECTION VII – Procurement of and Setting of Meters

- Unless otherwise specified, all water meters are furnished to the consumer at no charge. The Superintendent reserves the right to specify the maximum size meter required for any purpose.
- 2. The original installation of a water meter must be made by a duly licensed plumber at the expense of the property owner. Installation is to be made within 24 hours of receiving the meter from the Village.
- 3. Meters shall be located with approximately six (6") inches clearance to the building wall and near the point where the water service enters the building, not less than thirty (30") inches and not more than (4') feet above the floor.
- 4. Clear access of a minimum of three (3') feet horizontally and six (6') feet vertically (headroom) must be maintained around the meter and a clear lane maintained from the stairway or entry to such meter.
- 5. The meter shall be installed at a level slightly higher than the service valve.
- 6. A test tee with hose bib shall be installed between the meter, backflow assembly and the premises side valve, as described in "7" below, on all services.
- 7. An approved type valve shall be located on the premises side of the meter and not more than one (1') foot from the meter and backflow assembly.
- 8. The meter shall be suitably supported and protected so as to prevent vibration or damage from external causes.
- 9. On residential accounts the meter shall be provided with a remote reading device. The remote reader shall be provided by Rockville Centre at no charge and shall be installed by the plumber on new metered accounts, at the expense of the property owner. On existing metered accounts the Village will make the required installation.

SECTION VIII – Meter Pits

Outdoor meter pits may be installed in special cases on written approval of the Superintendent. Such meter pits must be constructed in accordance with specifications approved by the Water Department and at the expense of the property owner.

SECTION IX – Water for Construction Purposes

- 1. Water for construction purposes shall be metered and regular metered rates will apply, unless in the judgment of the Superintendent such is not practicable. In such cases flat rate charges may be established for the particular job by the Superintendent.
- 2. A reduced pressure backflow prevention device is to be installed and maintained by the contractor for duration of temporary construction connection to public water supply.

SECTION X - Interconnections

- Water will not be introduced to any premises having a private water supply or being supplied water by any other water utility. If the property owner has an alternative source of water (i.e., other than that obtained from the Village), the Village shall require a backflow prevention device or devices to be installed and maintained by the property owner.
- No direct connection shall be made between the public water supply and any engine, generator, condenser or other type of apparatus, unless specifically authorized by the Superintendent.
- 3. Connections to low pressure domestic type heating boilers are permitted providing proper safety devices are installed so as to prevent damage from collapse or explosion, in the event of water shut off or any other reason.
- 4. No connection of either a permanent or temporary nature shall be made between the public water supply and any other water supply (i.e., private well).
- 5. Private wells are permitted provided they are registered with the RVCWD, installed under regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and are not interconnected with the public water supply system.

SECTION XI - Water Motors

The use of water for production of power, in any type of apparatus, is strictly forbidden.

SECTION XII – Pavement Renewals (Service Pipe Installations or Replacements)

On all streets where it is proposed to construct new pavement or reconstruct, but not including the overlaying of, existing pavement, all iron, steel or lead service pipes shall be replaced with new approved pipe under such pavement at the expense of the property owner. Prior to such construction or re-construction of pavement, the Village will notify the property owner of the need for replacement of service pipes, and if the property owner does not replace such service

pipes prior to the beginning of the construction or re-construction, the Village will have the right to do so at the property owners' expense. If a property owner fails to do so within the specified in such notice, the Water Department shall have the right to replace such service pipes and the actual cost, plus overheads shall be billed separately to the property owner (subject to penalties as specified in Section XXIX). Any unpaid balance as of April 15 following billing shall be added to the tax rolls as per Section XXXIII.

SECTION XIII – Maintenance of Services

- 1. All services from the building to the water main must properly maintained by the property owner, at their expense.
- 2. Curb stops must be kept in proper working condition and must be kept free of dirt, refuse, snow, ice, etc. at all times by the property owner. In the event of the failure to do so, the Water Department shall have the right to make usable the curb gates at the expense of the property owner. The Village reserves the right to use the curb gates to terminate water supply to any structure. The Village shall not be responsible for any malfunction or damage to connected pipes caused by such action; rather the responsibility for the repair or cost of repair thereof shall be on the property owner.
- 3. If a property owner fails to make the necessary repairs to a leaking service pipe after due notice has been given to such property owner by the Superintendent, the Water Department reserves the right to discontinue service at the tap or make such repairs required. The actual cost of such discontinuance of service or repairs plus overhead shall be billed separately to the property owner (subject to the same penalties as specified in Section XXIX). Any unpaid balance, as of April 15 following the billing shall be added to the tax rolls as per Section XXXIII.
- 4. The thawing and/or repairing of frozen water services is the responsibility of the property owner.

SECTION XIV – Maintenance of Water Meters

- 1. Normal repair, maintenance and replacement of water meters, remote reading device or data transmission wires will be done by the Water Department at its expense.
- 2. Damage to water meters or remote reading device or data transmission wires due to freezing, slush, ice, fire, hot water and such other damage which cannot be attributed to normal operation and wear, will be billed to the property owner at charges established by the Superintendent (subject to penalties as specified in Section XXIX). Any unpaid balance as of April 15 following billing shall be added to the tax rolls as per Section XXXIII.

SECTION XV – Testing of Water Meters

1. All meters will be tested periodically. Test scheduling will be determined by the Water Department.

- 2. Special tests of meters may be made by the Water Department at the request of the property owner or on its own initiative if indications of inaccurate readings are evident.
- 3. Verification of Village test results by a private testing laboratory shall be paid for by the property owner requesting such verification.

SECTION XVI – Inaccurate Registration of Water Meters

- 1. In the event of the failure of a water meter to register accurately, water consumption will be billed in accordance with previous usage, as determined by prior bills to the premises in question.
- 2. If prior bills are not available, the average water consumption of comparable premises will be used as a basis for estimated usage.

SECTION XVII – Water Meter Seals

- 1. In the event that seals on water meters are found to be broken from any cause whatsoever, unless prior permission has been obtained from the Superintendent, the property owner will be billed in the amount of three (3) times the average bill of the last two (2) highest billing periods. Service may be discontinued if such is deemed advisable by the Superintendent.
- 2. Unauthorized tampering with water meter seals is a **Misdemeanor** and offenders will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

SECTION XVIII – Wastage of Water

- 1. Water is a natural resource and must be conserved.
- 2. If in the judgment of the Superintendent a consumer is either negligently or willfully wasting water:
 - a. water meter may be required at any premises receiving water;
 - b. the water supply to such premises may be discontinued.

SECTION XIX – Sprinkling

- 1. Lawn sprinkling is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM as per the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre wherein penalties for violations are specifically provided.
- 2. When conditions require additional conservation of water, odd houses numbered properties may be required to water on odd numbered days and even house numbered properties on even numbered days all within the above time schedule. No water will be permitted on the 31st of any month during additional conservation times.
- 3. Excess sprinkling (i.e. sprinkling patterns which permit an estimated 25% of the water to fall on paved areas) shall be considered wastage of water and shall be subject to provisions in Section XVIII.

4. Consumers with registered private wells for watering lawns are not subject to these sprinkling regulations but are subject to the provisions of Section X.

SECTION XX – Transfer of Water

- 1. Water shall not be resold by any consumer, to tenants or to any other person. All billing by the Water Department shall be made only to the property owner.
- 2. Water may not be transferred for use off the premises for which such water is supplied, for any reason whatsoever.

SECTION XXI – Fire Hydrants

- 1. Fire hydrants are provided for fire protection only.
- Under exceptional circumstances, the Superintendent is authorized to issue permits for the use of specific hydrants, for specific purposes, at such fees as to be determined by the Superintendent.
- 3. Tampering with or obstructing fire hydrants is specifically prohibited by Code of the Village. Violators will be issued a summons and are subject to such penalties as may be imposed by the Village Justice.

SECTION XXII – Entrance to Premises

The Superintendent or his authorized agent shall have the full power to enter the premises of any consumer at all reasonable hours within scheduled work days, to verify number of fixtures, test and change meters inspect and test backflow devices and any other such condition which could be deemed required by the water supply. If after two visits to the premises, a Water Department authorized employee has been unable to gain access to the premises during regular working hours, the Water Department shall have the right to notify the property owner of the date and time on which a third attempt will be made and if such employee is unable to gain access to the premises, the Water Department shall have the right to discontinue the supply of water at such time as the Superintendent may deem proper.

SECTION XXIII – Emergencies and Water Supply Protection

In the event that the Board of Trustees, the New York State Department of Health, the State or Federal Department of Environmental Conservation or any other responsible governmental agency shall deem it advisable or mandate an action, the Superintendent is herewith authorized to take such measures as may be deemed necessary to protect the Public Water Supply.

SECTION XXIV – Change of Pressure

The Water Department shall not be liable for any damage or loss of any name or kind, to property or persons, or business or loss of use of property, which may arise from or because by any change in the water pressure from any cause whatsoever.

SECTION XXV – Shutting off Water

The Water Department shall not be liable for any injury or damage which may result to any persons or premises, from the shutting off of the water from any main or service for any purpose whatever, even in cases where no notice is given. (Also see Section XXXII – Discontinuance of Water)

SECTION XXVI – Newly Constructed Buildings

All newly constructed buildings will require the installation of a water meter and backflow prevention device and billing will be initiated upon the setting of same provided. However, that private one- and two-family residences not otherwise required to have a backflow prevention device shall only be required to have a meter installed. All meters will be set on the date the water tap(s) is installed.

A regular bill for metered water consumption will be issued at the end of the next regular metered billing period.

SECTION XXVII – Flat Rate Water Billing

- Flat rate water billing is available only for those premises presently having such billing. Newly constructed or reconstructed buildings on any such premises shall be subject to the metered rate.
- 2. Billing for flat rate water is for the period beginning on May 1 and ending on the following April 30, payable one (1) year in advance. Bills must be paid by the due date as indicated on the bill; otherwise the bills will be subject to penalties. At the option of the Superintendent, flat rate service may be terminated for, but not limited to, failure to pay the annual water charges on the due date or authorized extensions. All cost for changing to a metered account shall be the responsibility of the property owner.
- 3. Service Classification No. F-1 shows the charges for flat rate service.
- 4. Disputed bills must be paid as rendered to avoid penalties.
- 5. Partial payments of water billing will not be accepted.
- 6. Overpayment, for whatever reason shall be applied to future billing as a credit.

 Overpayment shall not accrue interest but will be considered prepayment of future bills.

SECTION XXVIII – Metered Water Billing

- Billing for metered water (semi-annual or monthly billing basis) will be issued for water consumed during prior period. Bills must be paid by due date as indicated on the bill; otherwise the bill(s) will be subject to penalties.
- 2. Disputed bills must be paid as rendered to avoid penalties.
- 3. Partial payments of water billing will not be accepted.
- 4. Overpayments, for whatever reason shall be applied to future billing as credit. Overpayment shall not accrue interest but twill be considered prepayment of future bills.

SECTION XXIX – Provisions for Non-Payment

- 1. All bills or charges for repairs, damages caused by carelessness or neglect and for other work done or materials supplied by the Water Department on behalf of the property owner (not limited to charges for water) paid after the date as indicated on the bill(s) will incur an additional charge of ten (10%) percent of the current billing charges.
- 2. All bills or other charges will incur a further additional charge of five (5%) percent per month of the original billing charge if not paid within sixty (60) days of original billing date.
- 3. Such bills or charges, if not paid, shall become a lien on the property benefited. (See Section XXXIII Transfer to Tax Rolls)
- 4. All bills or charges unpaid as of April 15 following billing shall be transferred to the tax rolls of the next tax period.
- 5. All charges on all accounts transferred to the tax rolls shall be computed to the first day of the month following the month in which the fiscal year commences.
- 6. Further, a service charge of ten (10%) percent shall be added on to the billed amount to be transferred to the tax rolls. All outside village and tax exempt accounts shall be included in the ten (10%) percent service charge if delinquent on transfer date.
- 7. The Water Department reserves the right to discontinue water service at the curb b ox in the event bills are not paid within a period of two (2) months immediately following original bill date. In the event that such action is deemed advisable, the Superintendent shall so advise the owner of record of this contemplated action by registered mail. If payment in full is not received within fifteen (15) days of the mailing of such notice, the water may be terminated at the curb stop. For service outside the Village, see Section XXXVI.

SECTION XXX – Changes in Billing

- 1. Changes in flat rate billing:
 - a. Due to authorized (i.e., pursuant to plumbing permit) changes in plumbing, which become effective as of the May $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ following the date of fixture analysis, such changes will be in the form of an increase or decrease on the next subsequent billing.

- b. If there is an unauthorized change in plumbing, additional charges will be made retroactive to the date, as may best be determined by the Superintendent, when the unauthorized changes were made; if such date cannot be reasonably ascertained, then the date of the last flat rate inspection and such retroactive charges will be added to the billing for the next subsequent billing period.
- c. Additional charges incurred due to unauthorized or unreported tenancy, (i.e., tenancy by more than one family) will be made retroactive to the date as may best be determined by the Superintendent; if such date cannot be reasonably ascertained, then the date of the last flat rate inspection and such retroactive charges will be added to the billing for the next subsequent billing period.

2. Changes in Metered Billing

- a. Changes in metered billing, (i.e., new occupancy) analysis shall become effective that next billing period following analysis.
- b. Unauthorized changes, requiring occupancy analysis increases, for whatever reason, shall be charged rates as determined by the current occupancy analysis and be made retroactive to the last meter change and/or occupancy analysis for the property.

The property owner is responsible for reporting all changes in plumbing that will affect flat rate or metered billing.

SECTION XXXI – Transfer from One Type of Account to Another

- 1. Transfer from metered to flat rate account is not permitted.
- 2. Transfer from flat rate to metered account must be made for the following reasons:
 - a. Any residence at their option.
 - b. Any residence with, but not limited to, the following types of apparatus as herein defined; swimming or wading pools, lawn sprinkling systems, fountains, water cooled air conditioning apparatus and/or any other type of apparatus using a continuous or intermittent continuous supply of water.
 - c. Use of premises as a rooming house.
 - d. Use of premises as an apartment house (three or more families).
 - e. Any residence not used exclusively for residential purposes.

SECTION XXXII – Discontinuance of Water

- Violation and/or Noncompliance The Superintendent shall have the right to discontinue the water service for violation of or for noncompliance with any of these Rules and Regulations. See Fee Schedule "B" for restoration of service charges.
- 2. Demolition of Structures Billing will terminate in such cases on the day of demolition of the tap. It is required that the water tap be destroyed prior to issuance of demolition permit by any authority.
- 3. The property owner is responsible for the return of water meters to the Water Department. The value of the meter, as determined by the Superintendent, shall be

- billed to the current property owner in all cases where return of the meter cannot be verified.
- 4. Full Water Bills will be rendered according to regular rate schedule unless such service is disconnected at the water main.

SECTION XXXIII – Transfer to Tax Rolls

All unpaid water bill or charges described in Section XXIX shall be added to the next Village Tax against property.

SECTION XXXIV – Meter Requirements for Combined Occupancy Buildings

The words "combined occupancy" shall include occupancy in any building have more than one distinctive use and/or business and shall include but not be limited to all commercial establishments used for or usable by different commercial enterprises. To the extent that any building is occupied as both a commercial establishment and for residential purposes that portion or portions of the building occupied as a commercial establishment or commercial establishments shall be treated as though it is separate entities and that portion of the building occupied for residential purposes shall be treated as separate entities. The minimum charge for such premises shall be calculated as follows:

- 1. Each commercial establishment shall be considered equivalent to the minimum charge for all ¾ inch meters;
- 2. Residential occupancies shall be charged one full minimum charge for a ¾ inch meter for the first apartment and approximately 85% (round to the nearest hundredth of a dollar) of the minimum charge for one ¾ inch meter for each additional apartment.
- 3. Each dwelling or building, or parts thereof having unrelated occupancy or distinctive use, shall, at the option of the Superintendent have a separate meter. Where water is supplied through a single meter for more than one such occupancy or distinctive use, the minimum charge shall be the minimum charge for a ¾" meter multiplied by the number of such occupancies or distinctive uses, and in order to determine the charge to be made for water used where there is more than once such occupancy or use served by a single meter, the total amount of water delivered as registered by the meter shall be divided by the number of such occupancies or distinctive uses, and the result shall be deemed to be the amount of water delivered for each such occupancy or distinctive use and shall be charged for as if the quality of water furnished each such occupancy or use was through a separate meter.

SECTION XXXV – Control of Backflow and Cross Connections

1. The Superintendent shall inspect or cause to be inspected the plumbing in every building or premises using the Village Water Supply as frequently as in his judgment may be necessary or as required by the New York State Health Department to determine whether the plumbing has been installed and maintained in such a manner as to

prevent the possibility of contamination by backflow or back pressure into the Public Water Supply. The Superintendent shall notify or cause to be notified in writing the owner or authorized agent of the owner of any such building or premises, to correct, within a reasonable time set by the Superintendent, any plumbing installed or existing, contrary to or in violation of this regulation, and which, in his judgment may, therefore, permit the pollution of the village Water Supply, or otherwise adversely affect the public health or water quality.

- 2. The specific requirements shall be those of the State of New York Health Department, State Sanitary Code, any guidelines set forth by New York State Health Department or any regulating agency having jurisdiction as well as the Village.
- 3. All devices for backflow control shall be as approved by the New York State Health Department.
- 4. Installation, inspections and maintenance of all devices shall be at the expense of the property owner. Inspections and maintenance are available from the Village and will be billed in accordance with the Fee Schedule "C" and will be billed separately (subject to penalties as specified in Section XXIX). Any unpaid balance as of April 15 following billing shall be added to the tax rolls as per Section XXXIII.
- 5. Notification of Violation The Superintendent shall notify the owner, or authorized agent of the owner, of the building or premises in which there is found a violation of this regulation. The Superintendent shall set a reasonable time for the owner to have the violation removed or protected by installation of an approved backflow prevention device. Upon failure of the owner to have the defect corrected by the end of the specified time interval, the Superintendent may cause the water service to the building or premises to be terminated or recommend such additional action as he may deem appropriate.
- 6. Violation Remedies The Water Department, under the direction of the Superintendent, reserves the right to discontinue water service at the main or at the customer-owned curb stop in event the property owner fails to make required adjustments in plumbing to comply with these regulations.
- 7. Where the Water Department may be required to supply water, although protective measures are not taken by the property owner, for whatever reason, the Water Department under the direction of the Superintendent shall have the right to install a backflow preventer in a pit at the property line and over the water services of the subject property, and the cost thereof shall be billed to the owner of record with all penalty provisions applicable as specified in Section XXIX and may be added to the tax rolls as provided in Section XXXIII.
- 8. Actual cost incurred, which should include but not to be limited to the disconnection of the water service, or damage caused by the operating of privately owned valves, will be charged against the property owner and will be subject to application of Section XXIX and Section XXXIII.
- 9. Re-connection to the public water supply will not be allowed until proper adjustments have been made and all bills and penalties have been paid.
- 10. Fire Sprinkler Systems The Superintendent shall determine, after inspection, the extent of backflow prevention required on all fire sprinkling systems.

- 11. Fire Sprinkler systems in areas that are subject to freezing temperatures and which utilize any type of antifreeze solution shall be fitted with a reduced pressure backflow prevention device.
- 12. Water serviced lines to any structure shall not be subject to back pressure of any type, including but not limited to the adding pressure by compressor, pump or kinetic energy device to clear the service pipe of residue, debris or other blockage.
- 13. Private one or two family residences are not required to install backflow protection devices if on inspection there is found no potential sources of water contamination on the property. Potential sources of water contamination include but are not limited to: lawn sprinkler systems, swimming or wading pools, fountains or private wells. Private one-or two-family residences with swimming pools or wading pools which are wholly above ground may substitute, for a backflow prevention device installed at the incoming water service, a permanent air gap piping system from the house to 2" above the rim of the pool with no provision for a hose connection. In addition, each exterior hose bib on the property is to be fitted with an approved vacuum breaker or non return flow device such as Watts Model 8A or equal.

SECTION XXXVI – Services outside Village Franchise

- 1. All customers serviced outside the Village franchise area shall render a deposit for service of a minimum of \$100 for residential accounts and an amount to be determined by the Superintendent for non-residential accounts. Deposits are considered advance payments for water bills due and will not bear interest.
- 2. If bills are not paid by the due date or any authorized extension thereof by the Superintendent, water will thereupon be terminated and the deposit will be forfeited in payment of the bill.
- 3. Customers who are situated outside the corporated limits of the Village must take immediate action to conform to the requirements of these Rules and Regulations. The failure to do so will result in a discontinuance of water supplied by the Village. The property owner will be required to make arrangements for the supply of water with the franchise holder of the area in which the property is situated. Unpaid bill will be subject to whatever means of collection are appropriate.
- 4. Those customers of Rockville Centre Water Department who are located in other water franchise areas will be required to transfer their accounts to the franchise holder on demand of that franchise holder. Negotiations for such transfer are to be made between the water consumer and the franchised water purveyor. The Rockville Centre Water Department or its representatives have no authority to alter the requirements in this matter.

SECTION XXXVII – Definitions

As utilized in these Rules and Regulations, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

LAWN SPRINKLER SYSTEM

- 1. Any installation of piping or sprinkler heads which is buried or below the surface of the earth.
- 2. Any installation of surface piping controlled by a single hose bib or water pipe which is connected to more than one sprinkler head provided, however, that one (1) wye (y) connection device per hose bib with individual manual shut off valves on each leg of the wye shall be permitted.
- Any installation of piping or sprinkler heads, whether surface or subsurface, which is controlled by an electrical time clock or other automatic timing device provided. However, that spring or water driven single time cycle control devices shall be permitted.

SWIMMING AND WADING POOL

Any installation, either permanent or temporary, that has a water depth and which is designed to be utilized for swimming or wading, regardless of dimensional sizes, that is in ground or wholly or partially above ground, have a water filling pipe or hose, either directly or indirectly, permanently or temporarily, connected to the potable water system. This definition includes indoor and outdoor pools and pools commonly considered portable but excludes one piece plastic tubs less than six (6') feet in diameter and less than twelve (12") inches in depth.

FOUNTAIN

Any installation providing a decorative function or wild life watering facility that has a direct water filling device, manual or automatic, that is connected permanently to the potable water system.