



Town of Century, Florida

Council Meeting Agenda

March 17, 2026 at 6:15 PM

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Call Meeting to Order

1. Roll Call
2. Open Meeting with Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approval of Minutes of March 02, 2026 and Public Meeting on 03/10/2026
 - B. Approval of Bill List
4. Public Forum #1
5. Action Items
 - A. Ordinance 002-2026-Utility Rate Ordinance
 - B. Appoint New CRA Board Members
6. Mayor's Report
7. Council Comments
8. Staff Comments/ Report
9. Public Forum #2
10. Adjourn

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Town of Century Council Meeting Minutes March 02, 2026, at 6:15 PM

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Call Meeting to Order

6:15PM

1. Roll Call

PRESENT

- Mayor Ben Boutwell
- President Dynette Lewis
- Henry Cunningham
- John Bass
- Sparkie Harrison

ABSENT

- Shelisa Abraham

2. Open Meeting with Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer was done by a Denise Gomez.

3. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes for February 17, 2026

Motion made by Cunningham, Seconded by Bass.

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Bass, Harrison

B. Approval of Bill List

Motion made by Cunningham, Seconded by Harrison.

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Bass, Harrison

Questions was asked by Council President Lewis on the budget items for the Natural Gas and the Software and that we were over budget on those items.

Public Forum #1

N/A

4. Action Items

A. Rate Study by Dyana Stewart

President Lewis wanted to state that the garbage rates had just increased.

Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 6:15pm public meeting.

Motion made by Harrison, Seconded by Cunningham. For public meeting.

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Bass, Harrison

B. Travel for Washington DC FAST total \$2,636.40

Tabled

C. FLC Leadership total cost \$2,180.00

Tabled

D. Travel to FPL Symposium D Lewis

Total \$641.25

Motion made by Harrison, Seconded by Cunningham.

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Bass, Harrison

5. Mayor's Report

N/A

6. Council Comments

Councilmember Bass- Would like to know what all people learn at Training.

Councilmember Lewis-Janitorial and if the RFQ has been placed. It has been placed in the paper.

7. Staff Comments/ Report

A. Audit Update

8. Public Forum #2

Vanessa Savage stated that she has been getting her bills late.

Mr. Peacock stated that he wanted to know if the profit from the water could be used to pay debt.

9. Adjourn

Adjourn at 7:23pm

Motion made by Cunningham, Seconded by Harrison.

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Bass, Harrison

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Town of Century

Attest:

Benjamin Boutwell, Mayor

Carrie Moore, Town Clerk

Town of Century Public Meeting Minutes March 10, 2026, at 6:15 PM

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Council President Dynette Lewis lead in prayer.

Public Forum Addressing Rate Increase

Emma Fletcher asked about the figures in Option 2 for rate increase. She believes that Option 1 would be a good idea.

3. Council Comments

Councilmember John Bass stated that he understands the need for a increase and that he wishes to look after the citizens. He has been explaining to citizens that something has to happen. He wants citizens to voice which scenario they want.

Councilmember Henry Cunningham either way things are going to be hard. He stated that scenario 2 is his opinion.

Councilmember Sparkie Harrison stated that she believes that scenario 1 would be the best thing to do. This would keep from getting hit around Christmas.

Councilmember Lewis stated that she believes that scenario 1 would work better for the citizens and the Town.

Councilmember Abraham stated that scenario 1 would be the best option.

4. Adjourn

Meeting 7:27pm meeting is adjourned.

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Town of Century
March 17, 2026
Bill List

Section 3, Item B.

Account Number	Account Name	Fund	Payee	Amount	Inv #	Month	Date Paid	YTD Spent	Annual Budget
			Garbage Fund						
403-34-4-33004	Contract Residential Fee	Garbage Fund	Waste Pro (monthly invoice)	\$17,773.50	3976477	February		\$70,725.30	\$125,000.00
			Total	\$17,773.50					
			Gas Fund						
401-32-4-67000	Equipment Maintenance	Gas Fund	Ad Comp Systems (billing system)	\$840.00	29316	March		\$4,517.93	\$3,000.00
Prepaid Insurance	Prepaid Insurance	Gas Fund	FMIT (25/26 Fund Year 2526-0088-Q3-2 Quarterly Invoice)	\$5,499.91	2526-0088-Q3-2	March			
401-32-5-20000	Fuel Expense Gas	Gas Fund	Southern Pit Stop (fuel)	\$85.85	3734 03/11/26	March		\$4,074.39	\$8,000.00
			Total	\$6,425.76					
			General Fund						
100-72-6-50000	Capital Outlay Park	General Fund	A 1 Small Engines (lawnmower)	\$10,747.62	2/10/2026	February		\$14,687.61	\$25,000.00
100-72-4-60004	Building Maintenance Park	General Fund	Bondurant Lumber & Hardware (pop up plug two pack)	\$19.99	3691 476896	March		\$6,848.74	\$750.00
100-72-4-60004	Building Maintenance Park	General Fund	Bondurant Lumber & Hardware (single cut key, 90 amp pole breaker)	\$123.93	3690 476825	March		\$6,848.74	\$750.00
100-72-4-60004	Building Maintenance Park	General Fund	Bondurant Lumber & Hardware (trap pvc bag)	\$10.99	3691 476883	March		\$6,848.74	\$750.00
100-72-4-60004	Building Maintenance Park	General Fund	Bondurant Lumber & Hardware (Trapp pvc)	\$5.99	3691 476884	March		\$6,848.74	\$750.00
100-72-4-60004	Building Maintenance Park	General Fund	Trane (air conditioner unit)	\$6,082.00	J9-125042-18808-1	March		\$6,848.74	\$750.00
100-72-4-66000	Vehicle Maintenance Park	General Fund	Butler Auto Recycling (tailgate for Truck #19 Dodge-Park)	\$475.00	1573434/2	March		\$900.50	\$800.00
Prepaid Insurance	Prepaid Insurance	General Fund	FMIT (25/26 Fund Year 2526-0088-Q3-2 Quarterly Invoice)	\$21,999.63	2526-0088-Q3-2	March			
100-12-8-12000	Legal Fees	General Fund	Matt Dannheisser (Routine Legal Advice)	\$2,223.25	1006-002M	February		\$7,542.25	\$15,000.00
100-41-5-20001	Fuel Expense Street	General Fund	Southern Pit Stop (fuel)	\$90.46	3/6/2026	March		\$3,782.91	\$12,000.00
100-72-5-20002	Fuel Expense Park	General Fund	Southern Pit Stop (fuel)	\$50.00	3689 03/06/26	March		\$590.98	\$6,000.00
100-41-4-67003	Equipment Maintenance Small	General Fund	Thomas Radiator & Welding (12-oil, hose)	\$101.83	3381 19186	March		\$822.20	\$6,000.00
			Total	\$41,930.69					
			Water Fund						
402-36-4-67000	Equipment Maintenance	Water Fund	Ad Comp Systems (billing system)	\$2,520.00	29316	March		\$15,405.99	\$12,000.00
402-36-3-63005	Water Rental Cooler	Water Fund	Culligan (water cooler rental)	\$13.22	797489	March		\$149.17	\$200.00
Prepaid Insurance	Prepaid Insurance	Water Fund	FMIT (25/26 Fund Year 2526-0088-Q3-2 Quarterly Invoice)	\$16,499.72	2526-0088-Q3-2	March			
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			Grand Total	\$85,162.89					

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100-72-4-66000	Vehicle Maintenance Park	\$475.00
Prepaid Insurance	Prepaid Insurance	\$21,999.63
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100-72-5-20002	Fuel Expense Park	\$50.00
100-41-4-67003	Equipment Maintenance Small	\$101.83
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	Water Fund	
402-36-4-67000	Equipment Maintenance	\$2,520.00
402-36-3-63005	Water Rental Cooler	\$13.22
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March 17, 2026

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Butler Auto Recycling	\$475.00
Culligan	\$13.22
FMIT	\$43,999.26
Matt Dannheisser	\$2,223.25
Southern Pit Stop	\$226.31
Thomas Radiator & Welding	\$101.83
Trane	\$6,082.00
Waste Pro	\$17,773.50
Grand Total	\$85,162.89

ORDINANCE NO. 002-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CENTURY, FLORIDA ESTABLISHING RATES FOR WATER SERVICES, WASTEWATER SERVICES, NATURAL GAS SERVICES, AND GARBAGE SERVICES; ESTABLISHING UTILITY DEPOSITS AND SERVICE FEES; PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS BASED ON THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI); PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS the Town of Century owns and operates municipal water, wastewater, natural gas, and garbage utility systems that provide essential services to residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS the Town Council must establish rates sufficient to operate, maintain, repair, and improve the Town’s utility systems; and

WHEREAS the Town of Century procured a utility rate study through the Florida Rural Water Association to evaluate the financial sustainability of the water and wastewater utility systems; and

WHEREAS the Consumer Price Index (CPI) published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics provides a reasonable method for adjusting utility rates in future years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Century, Florida:

SECTION 1. IMPLEMENTATION

The rates established in this ordinance shall become effective beginning with the billing cycle effective April 1, 2026.

SECTION 2. WATER RATES

Residential Single Family – Inside City

Volume	Rate	Increment
Base Charge (0–2,000 gallons)	\$26.64	Monthly
2,001 – 5,000 gallons	\$5.08	per 1,000 gallons
5,001 – 8,000 gallons	\$5.33	per 1,000 gallons
8,001 – 12,000 gallons	\$5.61	per 1,000 gallons
12,001 gallons and above	\$5.88	per 1,000 gallons

SECTION 3. WASTEWATER RATES

Residential Single Family – Inside City

Volume	Rate	Increment
Base Charge	\$17.79	Monthly
2,001 – 5,000 gallons	\$3.73	per 1,000 gallons
5,001 – 8,000 gallons	\$3.91	per 1,000 gallons
8,001 – 12,000 gallons	\$4.11	per 1,000 gallons
12,001 gallons and above	\$4.32	per 1,000 gallons

SECTION 4. NATURAL GAS RATES

Natural gas services shall be billed based upon consumption.

Base Natural Gas Availability Charge

\$10.00 per month

Cost of Gas

Customers shall pay the actual cost incurred by the Town for purchasing natural gas.

Operating Charge

Range in Therms	Rate per Therm
1 – 20	\$1.4700
21 – 60	\$1.4175
61 – 120	\$1.2600
121 – 180	\$1.1550
181 and above	\$1.0500

Natural Gas Reconnection Fee (after service has been disconnected for any reason)

\$30.00

SECTION 5. WATER DEPOSITS

Homeowners — \$100.00

Renters — \$150.00

Business — \$100.00

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SECTION 8. GARBAGE SERVICE DEPOSIT

Garbage Service Deposit — \$10.00

SECTION 9. PENALTIES AND DISCONNECTION

A penalty shall be assessed on the 25th day of each month on any utility account with an unpaid balance.

Water and Wastewater Customers — \$25.00

Natural Gas Customers — \$30.00

Accounts remaining unpaid on the 25th day of the month shall be subject to the disconnection of service.

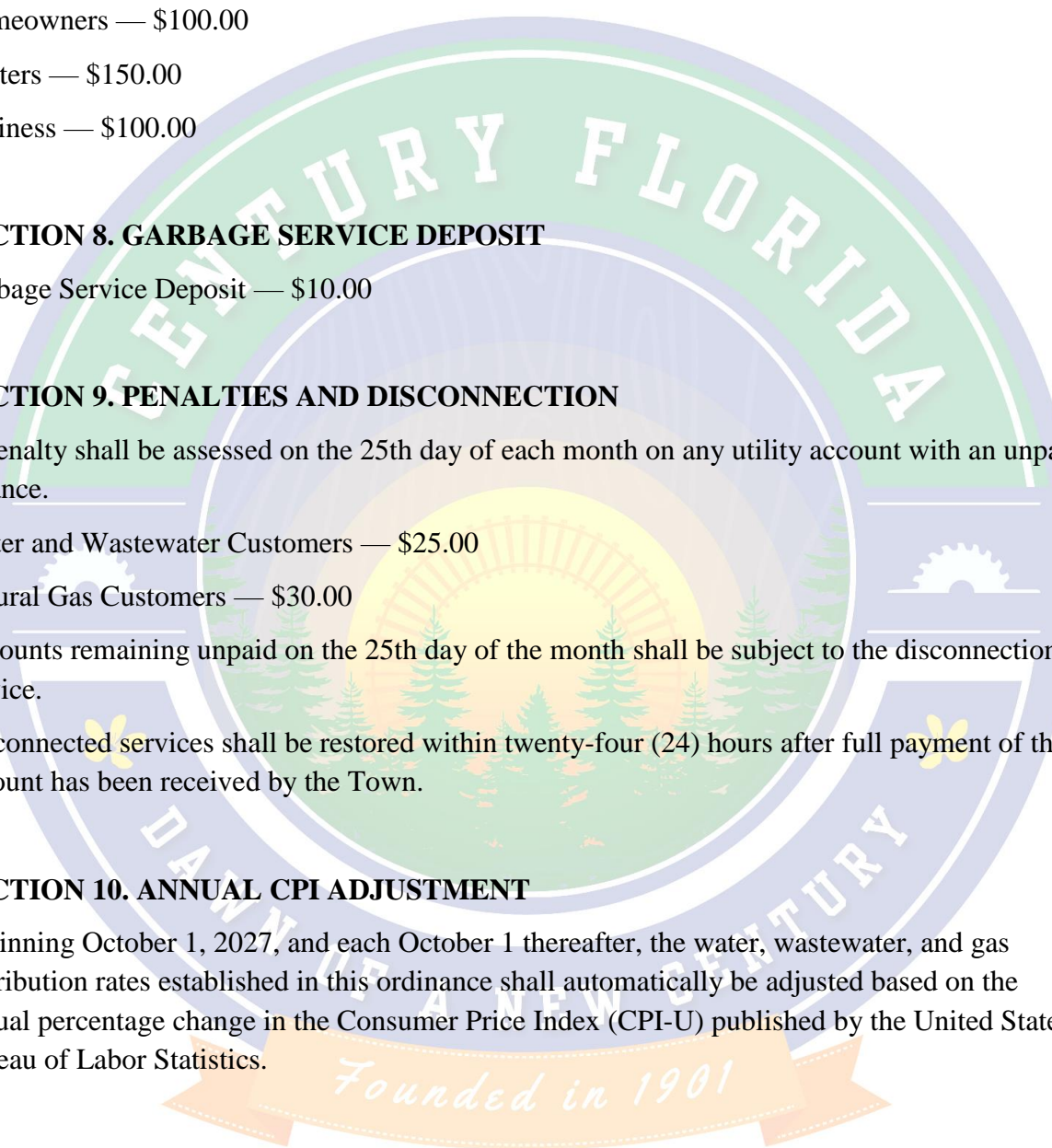
Disconnected services shall be restored within twenty-four (24) hours after full payment of the account has been received by the Town.

SECTION 10. ANNUAL CPI ADJUSTMENT

Beginning October 1, 2027, and each October 1 thereafter, the water, wastewater, and gas distribution rates established in this ordinance shall automatically be adjusted based on the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics.

SECTION 11. SEVERABILITY

It is not the intent of this Ordinance to supersede or conflict with any law, rule, or regulation that has been reserved to or is preempted by laws, rules and regulations of the State of Florida. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the



remaining portions of this Ordinance. Further, in the event that any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Town of Century Town Council that this Ordinance be construed to the fullest extent possible in a manner that is valid and constitutional and excepting only such portions of this Ordinance that are necessary in order for the remaining portions hereof to be valid and lawful.

SECTION 12. CONFLICT

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to control and prevail over any ordinance or portion thereof in conflict with the terms hereof.

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

FIRST READING: _____

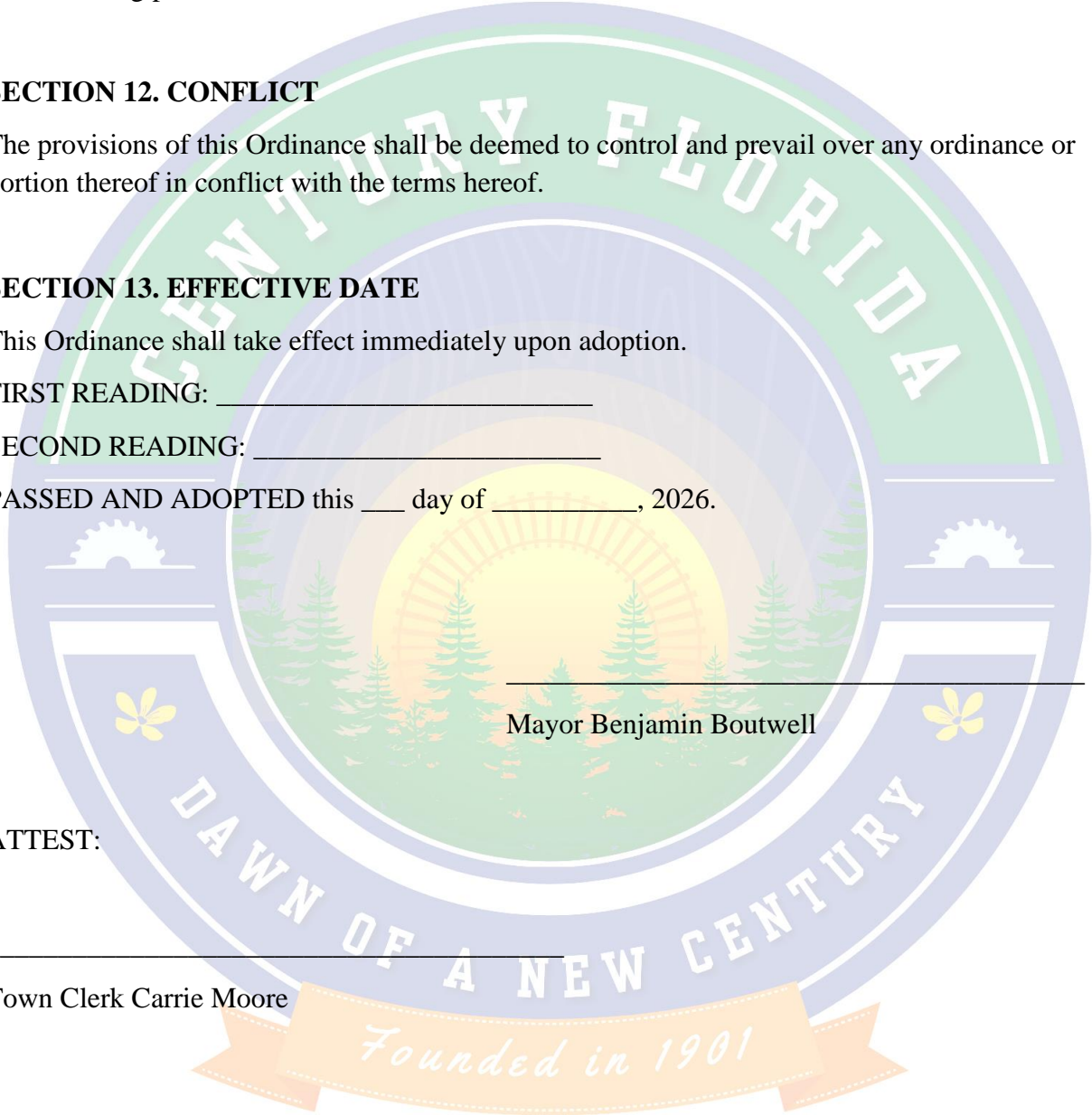
SECOND READING: _____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Mayor Benjamin Boutwell

ATTEST:

Town Clerk Carrie Moore



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Residential / Commercial

Effective April 1, 2026

Volume	Rate	Increment
Base Charge (0–2,000 gallons)	\$20.39	Monthly
2,001 – 5,000 gallons	\$5.08	per 1,000 gallons
5,001 – 8,000 gallons	\$5.33	per 1,000 gallons
8,001 – 12,000 gallons	\$5.61	per 1,000 gallons
12,001 gallons and above	\$5.88	per 1,000 gallons

Effective October 1, 2026

Volume	Rate	Increment
Base Charge (0–2,000 gallons)	\$25.48	Monthly
2,001 – 5,000 gallons	\$5.23	per 1,000 gallons
5,001 – 8,000 gallons	\$5.49	per 1,000 gallons
8,001 – 12,000 gallons	\$5.78	per 1,000 gallons
12,001 gallons and above	\$6.07	per 1,000 gallons

Effective October 1, 2027

Volume	Rate	Increment
Base Charge (0–2,000 gallons)	\$28.03	Monthly
2,001 – 5,000 gallons	\$5.39	per 1,000 gallons
5,001 – 8,000 gallons	\$5.66	per 1,000 gallons
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Volume	Rate	Increment
Base Charge	\$18.69	Monthly
2,001 – 5,000 gallons	\$3.84	per 1,000 gallons
5,001 – 8,000 gallons	\$4.03	per 1,000 gallons
8,001 – 12,000 gallons	\$4.23	per 1,000 gallons
12,001 gallons and above	\$4.44	per 1,000 gallons

Effective October 1, 2027

Volume	Rate	Increment
Base Charge	\$19.61	Monthly
2,001 – 5,000 gallons	\$3.96	per 1,000 gallons
5,001 – 8,000 gallons	\$4.15	per 1,000 gallons
8,001 – 12,000 gallons	\$4.36	per 1,000 gallons
12,001 gallons and above	\$4.58	per 1,000 gallons

SECTION 4. NATURAL GAS RATES

Are the Current Rates in Effect as Seen Below

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\$10.00 per month

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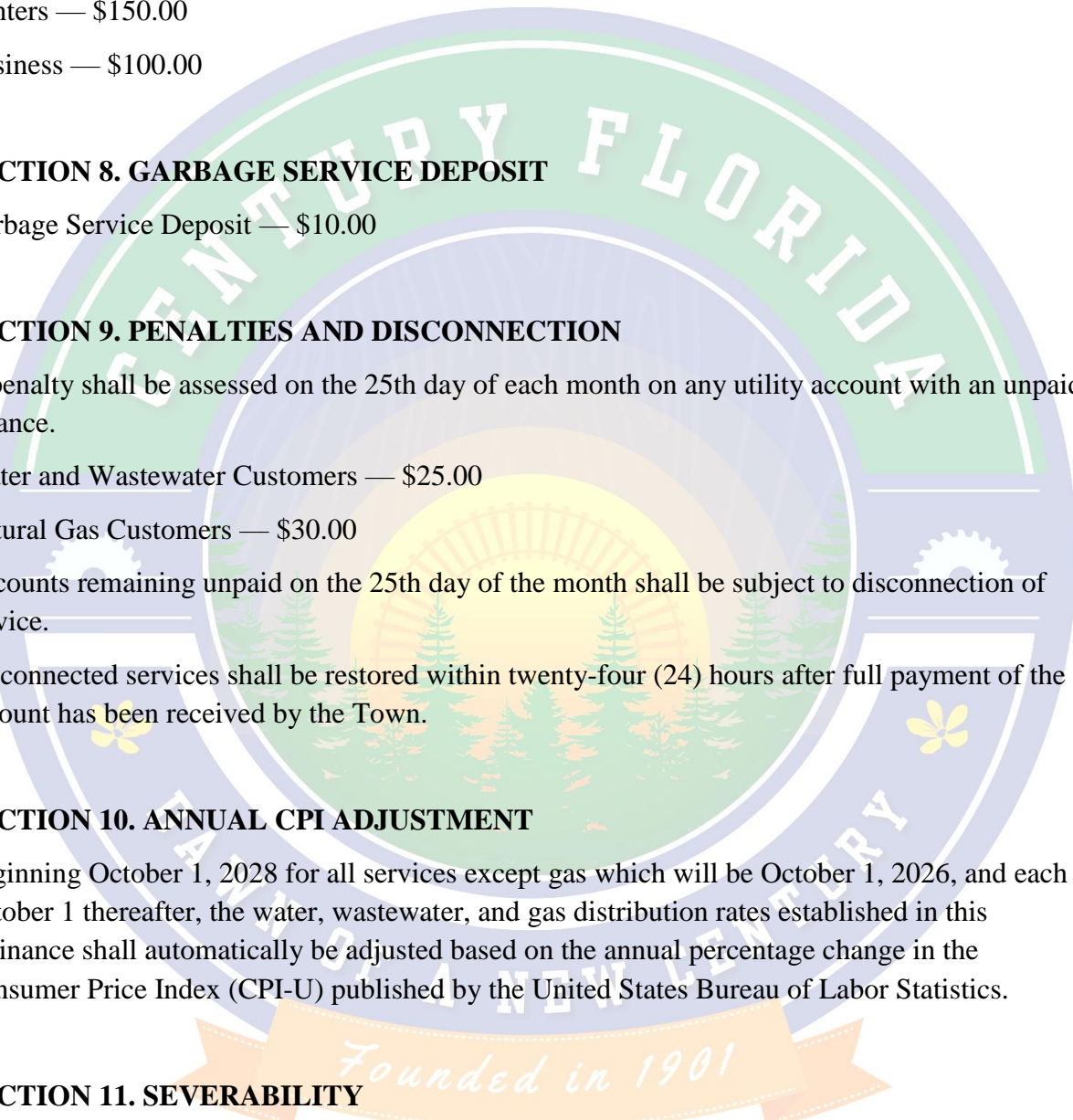
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Mayor Benjamin Boutwell

ATTEST:

Town Clerk Carrie Moore

