

ORDINANCE NO. 23-03

INTRODUCED BY: _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN ADOPTING A GENERAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024 AND ESTABLISHING A CONSTANT YIELD TAX RATE OF \$.2312 PER \$100 OF ASSESSED REAL PROPERTY VALUE, A TAX RATE OF \$.58 PER \$100 OF ALL ASSESSED COMMERCIAL OR BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY, AND A TAX RATE OF \$2.00 PER \$100 OF ASSESSED PUBLIC UTILITIES; AND ALSO ADOPTING AN ENTERPRISE BUDGET FOR THE TOWN'S WATER AND SEWER OPERATIONS, WHICH INCLUDES AN INCREASE TO MONTHLY WATER AND SEWER CONSUMPTION RATES BY EIGHT PERCENT (8%).

WHEREAS, Sections 19-33 and 19-34 of the Queenstown Town Charter requires the Town to operate on an annual budget; and

WHEREAS, the budget for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, was submitted to Commissioners of Queenstown on May 30, 2023, and introduced on June 6, 2023, and is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" ("General Budget"); and

WHEREAS, the Town has determined that is desirable and in the public interest, and consistent with state law, to adopt an enterprise budget for the Town's water and sewer operations, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" ("Water/Sewer Budget"); and

WHEREAS, Section 19-33 of the Queenstown Town Charter requires, prior to the adoption of the budget, the holding of a public hearing and the Town, having held a public hearing on the General Budget and the Water/Sewer Budget on June 21, 2023; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Commissioners of Queenstown hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Commissioners of Queenstown hereby adopt, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024, the General Budget attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and the Water/Sewer Budget attached hereto as Exhibit B, which are incorporated by reference herein.

Section 2. That the tax rates for the Town of Queenstown for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending on June 30, 2024, shall be \$.2312 per \$100 of assessed real property value, \$.58 per \$100 of assessed value on all commercial and business personal property, and \$2.00 per \$100 of assessed value on all public utilities.

Section 3. That the water and sewer consumption rates for the Town of

Queenstown for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending on June 30, 2024, shall increase 8%, as was adopted by Ordinance 22-06 on June 22, 2022, which established the fees as follows:

Monthly Volumetric Water Charges	
<i>Effective Date:</i>	<i>July 1, 2023</i>
<i>1st 7,000 gallons</i>	<i>\$3.77</i>
<i>>7,000 gallons</i>	<i>\$4.18</i>
<i>>15,000 gallons</i>	<i>\$5.22</i>

Monthly Volumetric Sewer Charges	
<i>Effective Date:</i>	<i>July 1, 2023</i>
<i>1st 7,000 gallons</i>	<i>\$9.97</i>
<i>>7,000 gallons</i>	<i>\$11.07</i>
<i>>15,000 gallons</i>	<i>\$13.84</i>

This ordinance shall become effective on the first day of July, 2023.

ORDAINED, APPROVED, AND PASSED by the Town Commissioners for the Town of Queenstown on this _____ day of June, 2023.

WITNESS

FOR THE TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN
COMMISSIONERS OF QUEENSTOWN

Aaron Horney, Town Clerk

Alton Hardee, Jr., President

Aaron Horney, Town Clerk

Thomas B. Willis, Jr., Commissioner

Aaron Horney, Town Clerk

Bryon Callahan, Commissioner