

**Ordinance 1981-1**  
**Ely Township Water Thawing Charges Ordinance**

An Ordinance to establish charges for water thawing services, and to provide methods for the collection of such charges and exemptions therefrom.

The Township of Ely, Marquette County, Michigan ordains:

Section 1. Purpose. The within Ordinance is adopted for the purpose of providing financial assistance to the Township from those receiving direct benefits from the water thawing service. It is the further purpose of the within Ordinance to provide for funding, in part, an at-large governmental expense based upon the general benefits derived by all property owners within the Township from the existence of water thawing services.

Section 2. Charges. The following charges shall hereafter be due and payable to the Township from a recipient of any water thawing service.

**ELY TOWNSHIP RESIDENT**

First Call – All Costs

Thereafter - \$25.00 plus Costs

(See minutes book Vol. 4, Pg. 85 for rate adjustments on charges)

**OUT OF TOWNSHIP**

First Call – All Costs plus \$25.00

Thereafter – All Costs plus \$50.00

Section 3. Exemptions.

A. Water thawing involving Township property

B. The Township reserves the right to waive any or all charges on water thawing calls, this waiver shall be judged on an individual basis and each waiver shall not be precedent setting.

Section 4. Lien Rights. The Township shall hereby have a lien upon Township resident property to secure payment of the foregoing rates and charges due to the Township from water thawing services. Such lien shall remain upon the property until the charges have been paid in full.

Upon non-payment of water thawing services to out of Township properties the Township City Etc. where the service was performed will be responsible for the charges.

Section 5. Severability. Should any provision or part of the within Ordinance be declared by any court or competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the same shall not effect the validity or enforceability of the balance of this Ordinance which shall remain in full force an effect.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed and adopted by the Township of Ely, County of Marquette, State of Michigan on September 16, 1981 and approved by me on September 16, 1981.

Kenneth A. Tuominen  
Supervisor  
Township of Ely, Michigan

Attest:  
Elise Petro  
Township Clerk