

TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-08-26B

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2020-04-22 WAIVING LATE FEES FOR DELINQUENT UTILITY FEES DURING THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana is a duly elected legislative body of the Town empowered by applicable law with conducting the legislative business of the Town;

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States and the Governor of the State of Indiana have issued Emergency Declarations with respect to the Coronavirus Covid-19 Pandemic. The Coronavirus Covid-19 Pandemic has caused significant economic consequence to the United States generally and to the citizens of the Town of St. John specifically; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of St. John routinely bills its residents for monthly utility services provided by the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, during this term of emergency, the Town Council desires to waive all late fees for utility bills incurred during the Coronavirus Covid-19 Pandemic by residents; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 22, 2020, the Town Council passed Resolution 2020-04-22 and on July 22, 2020, the Town Council passed Resolution 2020-07-22 which waived late fees for the months of April, May, and June, 2020; and

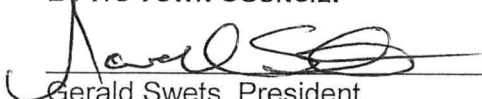
**WHEREAS**, the Town Council now desires to waive all late fees incurred thru September 2020, for all late fees incurred on utility billings from the Town of St. John.

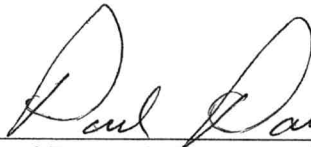
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That a national and state emergency exists such that the imposition of late fees for utility billing incurred from April 2020 thru September 2020, would be inequitable and may result in financial hardships to the residents of the Town of St. John.
2. That the Town Council hereby directs the staff to implement the policy of waiving all late fees incurred by residents for utility billings for the months of July, August, and September 2020.

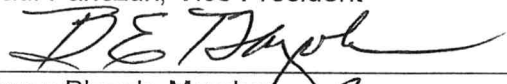
**DULY RESOLVED AND ADOPTED THIS 26 DAY OF AUGUST, 2020, BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA HAVING BEEN PASSED BY A OF VOTE OF 5 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED.**

TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
BY ITS TOWN COUNCIL:

  
Gerald Swets, President



Paul Panczuk, Vice President



Bryan Blazak, Member



Wayne Pondinas, Member



Michael Schilling, Member

ATTEST:



Beth R. Hernandez, Clerk-Treasurer