

ORDINANCE NO. O2017-18

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL FROM THE LEDGERS
OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS UTILITY BILLING OFFICE
AND CODE ENFORCEMENT
CERTAIN PAST DUE ACCOUNTS AS SET FORTH HEREIN**

WHEREAS, the City Auditor and the City Manager of the City of Gallipolis, Ohio, have recommended that certain past due accounts existing in the Utility Billing Office and Code Enforcement be removed from the ledgers by reason of the fact that these past due accounts were placed as special assessments on parcels later sold at Sheriff's sale and, thus, are uncollectible; and

WHEREAS, the State Examiner operating out of the Office of the Auditor of the State of Ohio has recommended that said accounts be so removed from the Utility Billing Office Accounts Receivable Ledger and Code Enforcement records should collection prove to be not feasible; and

WHEREAS, the City Solicitor has concurred in the recommendation for the reasons above set forth and by virtue of the fact that it would be extremely difficult to collect said accounts by reason of the nature thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Gallipolis, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the past due accounts now existing in the Utility Billing Office Accounts Receivable Ledger and Code Enforcement records as more particularly described in Section 2 hereof be and the same are hereby removed from said ledger; it being determined by the City Commission that the collection of same is difficult, if not impossible, and by virtue of other reasons incidental thereto.

SECTION 2: That the past due accounts referred to in Section 1 hereof consist of the following accounts as listed herein; an itemized list is hereby attached to and made part of this Ordinance as if fully written herein:

\$10,268.85	Utility Department Account
<u>\$6,767.34</u>	Code Enforcement Records
\$17,036.19	Total

SECTION 3: That the proper administrative officials of the City of Gallipolis, Ohio, be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause a proper notation to be made of the removal of said accounts from the Utility Billing Office and Code Enforcement ledgers as so authorized.

SECTION 4: That the Clerk of the City Commission is authorized and directed to cause publication of this Ordinance to be made in a summary manner as provided for in the City Charter.

SECTION 5: That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: May 23, 2017
ATTEST:

Annette M. Landers
Clerk of the City Commission
Annette M. Landers

Tony Gallagher
President of the City Commission
Tony Gallagher

The foregoing Ordinance is hereby approved as to form.

Adam R. Salisbury
Gallipolis City Solicitor
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