

**ORDINANCE 24-627**

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING DAMAGE TO PUBLIC PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1, provides that the corporate authorities of each municipality may pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulation proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities, with such fines or penalties may be deemed proper;

**WHEREAS**, the Village of St. Jacob will be in various instances installing new radio monitored water meter assemblies (“Updated Meter Assembly”), onto various parcels throughout the Village, to which the Village provides water;

**WHEREAS**, the Updated Meter Assemblies will generally comprise two components: first, a high-density polyethylene (HDPE) radio assembly, and second, an updated pit-lid housing;

**WHEREAS**, the provision of these Updated Meter Assemblies will provide an anticipated benefit to those property owners to whom water is provided by the Village of St. Jacob, due to anticipated increases in efficiencies of service;

**WHEREAS**, the Village wishes to safeguard against damage to these Updated Meter Assemblies, in order that repair or replacement costs are not incurred, which are passed along to the homeowner customers as a group; and

**WHEREAS**, it is both in the public interest, and is now the policy of the Village, that any costs of avoidable damages to the Updated Meter Assemblies, which are caused or contributed to by a private landowner, be paid in part by the homeowner;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of St. Jacob, Illinois that:

1. No person shall no person shall cut, alter, mark, remove, deface, attempt to modify or repair, or otherwise damage any public building, sewer, water pipe, hydrant, or other Village property, including specifically, but not limited to, Updated Meter Assemblies (comprising the HDPE radio and pit-lid housing);
2. With respect to Updated Meter Assemblies, in the event that those suffer damage, cause or contributed to by the acts and/or omissions of the private landowner or their invitees, then the following costs of replacement – when necessary – will be charged to the landowner, via the water bill:

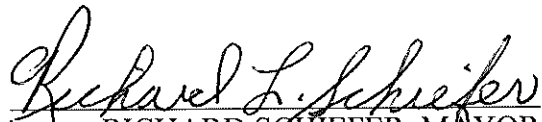
<b>Component</b>	<b>Replacement Cost and Labor</b>
HDPE Radio	\$300
Pit Lid Housing	\$75
<b>TOTAL Replacement (Radio and Housing)</b>	<b>\$375</b>

3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.


Adopted this 3RD day of APRIL 2024, pursuant to roll call vote by the Board of Trustees of the Village of St. Jacob, Madison County, Illinois.

Board of Trustees	Aye	Nay	Absent
Tim Elliot	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
George Gavlick	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Guideon Richeson	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Dawn Ross	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Nathan Schmidt	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Curtis Kinnick	_____	_____	<u>X</u>

APPROVED:

  
RICHARD SCHIEFER, MAYOR  
VILLAGE OF ST. JACOB, ILLINOIS

ATTEST:

  
KATHY BECKER, VILLAGE CLERK  
VILLAGE OF ST. JACOB, ILLINOIS