

CITY OF STRUTHERS
Ordinance

NO. 26-024

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE POSITION, SALARY, AND EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT WASTE WATER PLANT, DEPARTMENT HEAD. A NON-CLASSIFIED SERVICE APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR. RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2026, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 25-032 AND ANY ORDINANCE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Council has determined it appropriate and necessary to provide for a wage adjustment as outlined below, and, as such, it is necessary to enact the following ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, $\frac{3}{4}$'s of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: Council deems it necessary to create said position. Classifying all salaries payable as per pay schedule and vacation for non-elected appointees in the following, to wit.

1. DEPARTMENT HEAD
2. VACATION PROVISIONS
3. HOSPITALIZATION & INSURANCE BENEFIT
4. FUNERAL LEAVE
5. BIRTHDAY OFF
6. NEW HIRE LANGUAGE
7. EFFECTIVE DATE
8. REPEALING
9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE

DEPARTMENT HEAD

That beginning with the 1st day of January 2026, the annual salary and per hour compensation of Superintendent Waste Water Plant, Department Head is hereby fixed as follows:

SUPERINTENDENT WASTE WATER PLANT

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026.....\$90,176.50 PER YEAR

If the Superintendent is unable to act as Operator of Record, a per diem person will be appointed by the mayor to fulfill the permit requirements and paid \$230.00 per day.

SECTION 2: VACATION PROVISIONS

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Annual Vacation</u>
Less than one (1) year	None
One (1) to Four (4)	80 hours (2 weeks)
Five (5) to Nine (9)	120 hours (3 weeks)
Ten (10) to Fourteen (14)	160 hours (4 weeks)
Fifteen (15) or more	200 hours (5 weeks)

Service in excess of fifteen (15) Years:

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SECTION 3: HOSPITALIZATION AND INSURANCE BENEFITS

The City of Struthers will provide major medical/health care/hospitalization and ancillary coverage(s) (i.e., dental, vision, etc.) for all employees eligible for such benefit. All full-time employees and elected officials are eligible for benefits.

The insurance committee shall recommend a base insurance plan as prescribed by current union contracts that require it. The employer shall offer additional plans. The employer shall select appropriate carriers/providers and otherwise determine the method of provision, plan eligibility criteria, and coverage levels. The costs and/or terms and conditions of said insurance shall be at the discretion of the employer and may be subject to change. The participating employee may select either single, with spouse, with child, family or other coverage offered under the plan. The same plan/plans shall be offered to all eligible employees.

Unless otherwise stated in employee's union contracts, the employee will contribute twenty percent (20%) of the premium cost for medical/health care/hospitalization and ancillary coverage(s) (i.e., dental, vision, etc.). The premium contribution shall be deducted from the employees' payroll. At any time, the employee does not receive a pay they are responsible for making the monthly payment.

All spouses of eligible employees shall be afforded the City of Struthers Health Insurance Plan provided that no other insurance is available to them by any other source, or which would cost them out-of-pocket premium expenses of more than thirty-five (35%) of the current City of Struthers' premium cost for the applicable coverage for either Medical, Dental, or Vision Care Insurance. Said insurance plan should be reasonable in comparison to the current city plan. In the event that either Medical, Dental, or Vision Care Insurance is available to the spouse at an out-of-pocket premium expense less than 35% of the current City of Struthers premium cost for applicable insurance coverage the spouse shall not be eligible for coverage under the city insurance plan. (Struthers City Ordinance No. 18-002)

SECTION 4: FUNERAL LEAVE

When death occurs in any of the above-mentioned department employees immediate family, the employee, upon request, will be excused for up to two consecutive scheduled workdays.

The employee shall receive pay for any such excused scheduled workday provided, it is established that he/she attended said funeral. An employee will not receive funeral pay when it duplicates pay received for time not worked for any other reason.

Immediate family is herein defined as spouse, child, mother, father, sister, brother, grandmother, grandfather, mother-in-law, or father-in-law.

SECTION 5: BIRTHDAY OFF

That all employees in the above-mentioned departments shall have his/her birthday off with pay. This personal day off to be taken on any day of the year, upon the request of the employee and the ensuing approval of the Department Head, provided, that this day off will not result in the Department Head calling out another employee to work at overtime pay scale.

SECTION 6: NEW HIRE LANGUAGE

Should any full-time position in the City of Struthers become vacant; the salary for a new replacement employee will be set at 90% of the base salary in the first year. The employee will

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with the City. In such instances, the current full-time employee shall be eligible for the full-rate immediately after accepting a lateral transfer to the new position. Said new hire provisions shall apply to Department Heads. (This Section may be overridden by act of Council based on qualification of said new hire.)

SECTION 7: EFFECTIVE DATE

That this Ordinance is retroactive to January 1, 2026

SECTION 8: REPEALING

That Ordinance No. 25-032 and any ordinance inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9: EMERGENCY CLAUSE

This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Struthers, Ohio. Said emergency exists by reason of the fact that salaries for said Department Head must be set and be retroactive to January 1, 2026, and, as such this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

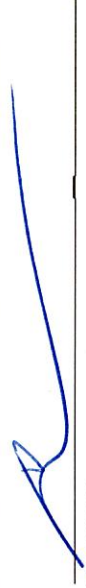
PASSED IN COUNCIL THIS 22nd DAY OF April, 2026.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH THE MAYOR THIS 22nd DAY OF April, 2026.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS 22nd DAY OF April, 2026.

MAYOR

POSTED ON STRUTHERS CITY WEBSITE & STRUTHERS SOCIAL MEDIA

DATE: April 24, 2026

CLERK OF COUNCIL