ORDINANCE NO. 98-267

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 97-249 AND ORDINANCE NO. 97-252 REGARDING RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES RENDERED BY THE CITY OF CLINTON, ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, the City of Clinton has determined that rates for water services must be raised so that the Clinton Water and Sewer Commission can operate a system that includes pipelines, pump stations, treatment facilities, extensions and betterments thereto, debt servicing obligations, maintenance, repair, office staff and equipment, vehicles and equipment, and labor and supervision, all in an adequate and sufficient manner to provide for the expanding needs and demands of water ans sewer customers of the City of Clinton including rural water associations;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Clinton, Arkansas:

Section 1. The monthly retail water rates for residential and commercial customers, both inside and outside the City limits were increased by 4.5% (.045) commencing January of 1998 effectively modifying Ordinance No. 97-249. Said rate increase did not apply to rural water associations.

<u>Section 2</u>. Rates for water supplied to rural water associations were increased and fixed by separate Ordinance No. 97-252.

Section 3. Commencing January of 1999, retail water rates for all customers, including residential and commercial customers located inside and outside the City of Clinton as well as wholesale

water rates for all rural water associations purchasing water from the City of Clinton, shall be increased 4.5% (0.45).

Section 4. All provisions of prior Ordinance Nos. 97-249 and 97-252 not in conflict with the provisions herein shall remain in full force and effect.

<u>Section 5</u>. That the provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if a certain phrase or provision shall be declared invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.

APPROVED:

James Beavers, Mayor

ATTEST: