

Republic of the Philippines TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

Isabela Province of Basilan

ORDINANCE NO. 96-05

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE RATE OF TELEPHONE SUBSCRIPTION, RENTALS AND OTHER FEES AND PRESCRIBING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ITS OPERATION.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Premised on the urgency and the indispensability of telephone services after the fire blaze in June 7, 1993 that totally razed down the telephone building and its equipments, the provincial government of Basilan solicited and obtained 31 million pesos loan from PNB to finance the rehabilitation program.

Handled by prominent Manila-based construction company and supplier of phone equipments, the installation of telephone lines and other works were accomplished within the expected time table. Lines installation for both commercial and residential subscribers are now in full swing, hence this particular Ordinance is urgent and necessary prescribing the rules and regulation of its operation.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan ng Basilan, that:

ARTICLE I

TITLE

SECTION 1 - This ordinance shall be known and cited as Telephone Ordinance and prescribing the manner of operation and fixing the rate of telephone subscription, rentals and other fees.

ARTICLE II

APPLICATION, SERVICE CHARGES AND FEES

SECTION 1 - Any interested party, corporate or business establishment wish to subscribe and avail the services of the new telephone system, must file an application and sign the contract with the management of the Provincial Telephone System (PTS).

SECTION 2 - Upon acceptance of the application and contract has been duly signed, every subscriber either corporate entity, partnership and any other individuals must first pay the following installation fees as follows:

- a) Commercial business establishment and other offices P 2,500.00

SECTION 3 - The monthly subscription rentals is hereby imposed as follows:



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a)	Commercial	P	250.00
b)	Residential		180.00
c)	Extension line - commercial per line		100.00
d)	Extension line - reidential per line		75.00

ARTICLE 3

INSTALLATION

SECTION 1 - Installation wire - first 20 meters shall be given free by the system and any excess thereof shall be borne by the subscriber at a cost to be fixed by the management based on the prevailing current market price per linear meter.

SECTION 2 - The telephone set/apparatus shall one-time supplied by the PTS management free of charge and guaranteed free from defects.

SECTION 3 - Damage and lose through willful neglect, misuse or accident including fortituos disaster, the subscriber shall pay the actual replacement cost of the set in the amount of P1,300.00.

SECTION 4 - Any loss and damage of the telephone set shall be reported immediately to the management of the telephone system so that replacement and servicing work shall be undertaken by PTS authorized technician.

SECTION 5 - Failure to pay three (3) consecutive monthly rentals, telephone line shall be temporarily disconnected and reconnection thereof shall be allowed only upon payment of reconnection fee in the amount of P900.00 for residential, P1,250.00 for commercial plus settlement of past due account.

SECTION 6 - Failure to reinstall the telephone line within 90 days after having been disconnected and after serving three (3) consecutive notices, the subscriber still fail to reconnect the telephone line, the management reserve the right to totally disconnect including repossession of materials, wires and telephone apparatus.

SECTION 7 - Totally disconnected line, subscriber is considered as new applicant and bound to comply the pre-requisites and requirements presribed for new subscriber.

ARTICLE 4

VOLUNTARY DISCONNECTION AND CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

SECTION 1 - Any subscriber wish to terminate telephone line must inform the Provincial Telephone System Management in writing and acceptance of which shall be effected only upon settlement of all current and previous accounts due including repossession of phone set.

SECTION 2 - Change of Ownership - any change or transfer of ownership from one person to another, the new occupant must pay

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the following service charge and fee as a condition preceding the cancellation of old subscriber or previous owner and subsequently the inclusion of new owner in the list of subscriber's Directory.

- a) Commercial P 1,250.00

ARTICLE 5

PENAL PROVISION

SECTION - Any party or parties found to illegally disconnect whether main or extension line shall suffer a fine of P1,000.00 and shall be deprived the privilege of enjoying the services of the system.

SECTION 2 - Any one found disconnecting maliciously or tampering any telephone line shall be penalized P2,500.00 for the first offense with one year imprisonment or both at the discretion of the court of justice.

SECTION 3 - Subsequent offense shall be determined by competent authority.

ARTICLE 6

EFFECTIVITY

SECTION 1 - This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED: December 19, 1996

APPROVED: January 16, 1997

ATTESTED:

ABDURAHMAN U. SAHI Provincial Secretary

APPROVED:

Vice Governor

Presiding Officer