## **INSERT NEW HEADER FOR "LONGEVITY" SECTION 4.10**

## A. POLICY

1. To encourage long term employment of valued employees, the following *longevity* <sup>8</sup> bonuses will be paid to full-time employees in December of each year:

Years of *continuous* <sup>9</sup> Service

Rate

*≨ 1-2* years

\$<del>20</del> 50 per year

<del>6-10</del> 3-5 years

\$25 60 per year

## 6 years or over

\$35 80 per year (RESOLUTION CHANGE)

2. Part-time employees will earn longevity pay at exactly half the rate for full-time employees.

Example: At five (5) years of employment continuous service the rate will be \$10/year.

- 3. Longevity is computed from the first day of service and shall include the probationary period. Approved leaves of absences shall not constitute a break in service for the purpose of longevity pay. 10
- 3. "Continuous service" Means the uninterrupted service of an employee with the Employer where no break in service occurs. 11
- 4. "Break in service" Means an employee has had a separation from service of thirty-one days or more. An authorized leave of absence, granted by the Employer, or any separation from service which carries with it the right to reinstatement, or reemployment as a result of a layoff, shall not constitute a break in service, provided the employee is reinstated or reemployed within the allowable time. 12

<sup>8</sup> Defines purpose of bonus.

<sup>9</sup> Defines requirement of service to earn bonus,

Deleted in lieu of "continuous service" definition.

<sup>11</sup> Tracks language in Ohio Administrative Code and is term used in Galion Civil Service Rules.

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