How to Read Your Electric Meter

City of Columbus electric meters have four or five dials, each numbered clockwise or counter clockwise.

- Read dials from left to right.
- On each dial, if the pointer is between numbers, record the lower number.
- If the pointer is between 9 and 0, record 9 (0 is read as 10).
- If the pointer appears to be directly on a number, check the dial to the right to see if the pointer has passed 0. If it has not, record lower number (see Dial C in example below).

Dial A: The pointer is between 5 and 6. Record as 5.
Dial B: The pointer is between 5 and 6. Record as 5.
Dial C: The pointer appears to be on 5, but Dial D to the right has not reached 0. Record Dial C as 4.
Dial D: The pointer is between 9 and 0. Record as 9 (0 represents 10).
Dial E: The pointer is between 7 and 8. Record as 7.