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WATER CONSUMPTION CHARGES: $4.26 per 1,000 gallons

Water Surcharge – Customers Outside Twp. $1.46 per 1,000 gallons

WATER SERVICE CHARGES:
(Formerly meter charge)
Not charged if water is turned off at the curb by Water Department.

Residential – $10.08 quarterly, per residential unit (includes single family, multi-family, mobile homes, and attached condos whether occupied or not).

Commercial, Industrial & Institutional - Each service line including fire suppression

		Quarterly
5/8"	meter	$6.46
3/4"	meter	$7.54
1"	meter	$10.08
1 1/2"	meter	$50.16
2"	meter	$80.21
3"	meter	$175.44
4"	meter	$300.73
6"	meter	$1,252.97
8"	meter	$2,205.15
10" & up	meter	$3,508.22

SEWAGE DISPOSAL CHARGES: $ 4.17 per 1,000 gallons

Sewer Surcharge – Customers outside Township $3.53 per 1,000 gallons

Flat Rate Sewage Disposal Charge $102.07 per quarter
Existing customers only; require
water meter installation for new sewer only customers

Flat Rate Sewage Disposal Charge – Customers outside Twp. - $109.46 per quarter

Non-Residential User Fee $0.40 per 1,000 gallons

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SEWER SERVICE CHARGE:
(Formerly sewer maintenance fee)
Not charged if water is turned off at the curb by Water Department.

Residential – $16.17 quarterly per residential unit – (includes single family, multifamily, mobile homes, and attached condos whether occupied or not).

Commercial, Industrial & Institutional

		Quarterly
5/8"	meter	$10.36
3/4"	meter	$12.13
1"	meter	$16.17
1 1/2"	meter	$80.76
2"	meter	$129.76
3"	meter	$282.46
4"	meter	$484.22
6"	meter	$2,017.53
8"	meter	$3,550.77
10" & up	meter	$5,648.92

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES:

Final Bill	$ 25.00
No Show for Appointment	$ 25.00
Turn on or turn off water service-After working hrs.	$ 85.00
Service Reconnect	$85.00 (plus all past due balance)
Inspection of water service line for re-use (If at least 1" diameter)	$ 50.00
Returned check charge per Treasurer's Schedule	$ 30.00
Sewer dye test	$100.00
Pull meter / re-install meter	$35.00

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Unauthorized water use	$100 per unit/per occurrence $500 non-residential/per occurrence
Curb Stop Lock Box Rental (if necessary) (customer is responsible for repairs/replacement if damaged while in use on property)	$50.00 per occurrence
Project Administration Fee	1% of total project costs
Damaged/Frozen Meters/Repairs	Per current meter charges
Manual Reading Charge (Repeated cable cut or disconnection/ non-compliance)	$25.00 per quarter

MINIMUM BILL:

The minimum bill shall consist of the fixed water service charge, the fixed sewer service charge and consumption charges for water and sewage disposal (or flat rate sewage disposal) and non-residential user fee for all units whether occupied or unoccupied.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS:

Customers who fail to pay their water bill by the due date shall be charged a ten percent (10%) late penalty based on the current charges only. Failure to receive the water bill will not be reason for waiving any penalties.

Accounts delinquent for at least sixty days (60) are subject to turn off for non-payment according to Township Ordinance. Service will not be restored until all past due balances plus applicable fee are paid or until appropriate payment arrangements have been made.

Accounts delinquent for at least sixty (60) days as of June 30 of each year will be transferred to the tax roll and shall be charged a fee equal to fifteen percent (15%) of the amount being transferred. Such fee will be added to the delinquent balance, and then transferred to the tax roll.

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WATER SERVICE TAP PERMIT:

Domestic Water Capital Charge: $1,156.00 per unit

The minimum capital charge for a single family residence, or an apartment, cooperative apartment, and any other multiple dwelling, or mobile home park where more than one residence or unit is served by one meter shall be $1,156.00 per residence, unit or mobile home space, whether occupied or not. The charges for other types of uses shall consist of the minimum capital charge $1,156.00 multiplied by the corresponding number of units for said use listed below under "Equivalent Unit Factors".

Fire Suppression or Irrigation Line:

Diameter	Fireline Fee
5/8 x 3/4"	N/A
1"	$1,156.00
1 1/2"	$1,836.00
2"	$2,550.00
3"	$3,978.00
4"	$5,508.00
6"	$8,670.00
8"	$12,036.00
12"	$18,768.00
16"	$25,908.00

Water Meter Cost:

Water meters are **actual cost** of meter, radio reading device, tail pieces (or flanged spool piece with test port), right angle valve, and washers, **plus 20%**. Costs are updated routinely with suppliers.

All water service taps shall be furnished and installed by a licensed, bonded private contractor subject to the inspection and approval of the Township. An approved site plan or plot plan must be submitted with the application for the water tap permit. A separate tap fee per inch diameter is to be charged for a fire suppression line. The cost of the water meter, the domestic water service tap inspection permit, and the fire line permit must be paid at the time the tap permit is paid. A plumbing permit is required for installation of the domestic water service line.

If a new fire hydrant is to be installed or relocated on an existing water main, the permit fee shall be $300.00 per hydrant plus $309.00 inspection fee.

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Domestic Water Service Line Open Trench Inspection Permit	Plumbing Permit
Domestic Water Service Tap Inspection Permit (Waived if inspection is performed by Township Consulting Engineers with inspection costs charged against advance engineering fees on deposit)	$150.00
Inspection fee for abandonment of water service line	$ 75.00
Inspection of service line for re-use (if at least 1" diameter)	$ 50.00

SANITARY SEWER TAP PERMIT:

Capital Charge	$4,617.00 per unit

The minimum capital charge for a single family residence, an apartment, cooperative apartment, and any other multiple dwelling, or mobile home park where more than one residence or unit is served by one meter shall be $4,617.00 per residence, unit or mobile home space whether occupied or not. The charges for other types of uses shall consist of the minimum capital charge $4,617.00 multiplied by the corresponding number of units for said use listed below under "Equivalent Unit Factors".

All sanitary sewer taps shall be furnished and installed by a licensed, bonded private contractor subject to the inspection and approval of the Township. An approved site plan or plot plan must be submitted with the application for the sewer tap permit. A sanitary sewer tap inspection permit fee must be paid at the time the tap permit is paid if no wye is available. A plumbing permit is required for installation of the building sewer lead. Sewer only customers will be required to pay the cost and install a water meter at the inside water service line just after it enters the building.

Sanitary Sewer Building Lead	Plumbing Permit
Sanitary Sewer Tap Inspection Permit Fee (Waived if inspection is performed by the Township Consulting Engineer with inspection costs charged against advance engineering fees on deposit)	**$150.00**
Sewer cap inspection	$50.00

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Sanitary Sewer Repair Inspection Permit Fee Plumbing Permit

Sewer Re-use Inspection Fee $150.00

EQUIVALENT UNIT FACTORS
Residential Equivalent Units (REU)

Residential including single family, multiple family, Mobile / manufactured home	1.00 unit
Car wash (production line)	10.00 units per production line
Car wash (self-serve)	2.00 units per stall
Auto dealer (new cars)	1.00 unit plus .20 units per 1,000 square feet
Auto Repair Shop	**.25 unit per service stall**
Barber/Beauty shops	**1.05 unit**
Bowling alleys (without bar or lunch)	**1.00 unit plus 0.05 units per lane (bars, restaurants at their respective unit factors)**
Churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, etc.	**.30 units per 1,000 square feet**
Cleaners	1.00 unit per 1,000 square feet of building area plus 1.50 units per press
Facilities-Dental	.25 units per 1,000 square feet plus 0.05 units per chair
Facilities-Medical	.40 units per 1000 square feet
Facilities - Veterinary	.35 units per 1000 square feet
Facilities - Dispensary	.25 units per 1,000 square feet
Facilities - Offices	**.15 units per 1,000 square feet**
Country clubs	1.50 units per 1,000 square feet of general building area plus restaurant, bar, swimming pool areas, etc., at their respective unit factors
Daycare centers	**.50 units per room**
Fast Food Service (drive thru only)	2.00 units per 1000 square feet
Fraternal organizations	.50 units per 1,000 square feet of general building plus restaurant, bar, swimming pool area, etc., at their respective unit factors
Health Clubs w/o showers and/or pools	.25 units per 1,000 square feet
Health Clubs w/showers and/or pools	2.00 units per 1,000 square feet
Hospitals	1.00 unit plus 0.75 units per bed
Hotels and motels	1.00 unit plus 0.25 units per bed plus restaurant, bar, swimming pool are, etc. at their respective unit factors
Irrigation System serving residential platted or site condo subdivisions	1.00 unit per separate tap for platted sub or residential site condominium project irrigation
Laundry (self-serve)	.75 units per washer
Laundry-Commercial	2.00 units per washer

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Manufacturing (exclusive of industrial wastes)	.75 units per 1,000 square feet (industrial wastes will be assigned such sanitary use factor units as shall be appropriate in each individual instance, upon request to the township for such assignment)
Manufacturing (light)	**.15 units per 1000 square feet**
Manufacturing (tool & die)	1.00 unit
Nursing/Convalescent Homes	1.00 unit plus .50 units per bed
Nursery/Green Houses	.30 units per 1,000 square feet
Restaurants/Bars/Taverns (full service, dinners/drinks)	**2.00 units per 1,000 square feet**
Schools without showers or pool	1.00 unit per classroom
Schools (with showers and/or pool)	1.50 units per classroom
Self-storage	**.20 units per 1000 square feet**
Service stations	1.00 unit plus 0.15 units per pump plus .25 units per service stall
Stores	**.20 units per 1,000 square feet**
Stores (pharmacies)	.25 units per 1,000 square feet
Swimming pool (net area of pool, see country clubs for building unit) (residential excluded)	3.00 units per 1,000 square feet
Theater	1.00 unit plus 0.01 units per seat
Warehouses (with fire suppression)	.35 units per 1,000 square feet
Warehouses (without fire suppression)	.15 units per 1,000 square feet

Equivalent Residential Units not listed, or for unusual circumstances, the Public Services Director may either recommend an adjustment to the ERU or recommend a review by the Township Supervisor to determine if the matter should be sent to the township board for final determination. When the primary use contains other secondary uses, the total ERU factor shall be the summation of all applicable separate ERU factors (e.g., Hotel ERU factor + Restaurant REU factor + Pool REU factor = Total ERU factor.

All capital charges resulting from a change in the use of the building/premises and any corresponding unit factor change shall be paid to the township in full prior to occupancy. The Public Services Director, at his/her discretion, may authorize a payment plan not to exceed one year in duration. The customer or owner shall pay the difference between the capital charge (previously called debt service charge) based upon prior use and the current capital charge upon such change in use. No credit or rebate of capital charges (or previously paid debt service charges) shall be made in the case of a lesser residential equivalent use.

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HYDRANT RENTAL PERMIT

Permit Fee – Maximum 30 days per permit	$100.00
Deposit (if customer has an existing water account and signs agreement for any damages or losses to be added to the next regular water bill)	$500.00
Deposit (if customer does not have an existing water account)	$2,500.00
Daily rental fee	$10.00
Winterizing fee	$50.00 per day
Water consumption charges	per current water rate

Hydrant rentals only permitted in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Water & Sewer Commission.

ENGINEERING FEES:
The Water & Sewer Department Schedule of Rates does not include Engineering Fees. Engineering fees shall be collected in accordance with the current contract with the Township's Consulting Engineers.

All Water & Sewer permits expire one year from the date of payment. Renewals will not be issued.