

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 7.5 et. seq. OF SEWER ORDINANCE
NOTE NEW SECTION 7.9(a) EXCEPTIONS TO SECTION 7.5, 7.8, 7.9 CHARGES
FOR REVIEW BY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS**

7.5 AMOUNTS, BILLING.

(A) The rates and charges for services furnished by such system shall be levied upon each lot or parcel of land, building or premises, having any sewer connections with such system, on the basis of the REU Factor multiplied by the service fee per REU.

(B) Charges shall be collected by the Township quarterly, except:

(i) In cases where the character of the sewage from a manufacturing or industrial plant, building or premises is such that unreasonable additional burden is placed upon the system, greater than that imposed by the average sewage delivered to the system plant, the additional cost of treatment created thereby shall be an additional charge over the regular rates hereinafter set forth; or

(ii) The Township may, if it deems it advisable, compel such manufacturing or industrial plant, building or premises, to treat such sewage in such a manner as shall be specified by the Township before discharging such sewage into the sewage disposal system.

(iii) The Township may classify the users of the system according to the quantity of water used and charge such rates to users in each class, as it may deem reasonable.

(iv) The rate to be billed to all users within the sanitary sewer service area of the Township for use of the system shall be as established by resolution of the Township Board and may, from time to time, be amended, by Township Board resolution.

The current schedule of Sewerage Rates Per Month shall be:

Minimum Charge per Month or part thereof

REU

Minimum Billing

1

\$48.02

The foregoing charge is a user charge to pay for operation, maintenance and replacement of the sewage works.

7.6 SURCHARGES FOR BOD, SUSPENDED SOLIDS AND SINGLE EVENT DISCHARGES.

(A) There shall be an additional charge for laboratory testing or wastewater samples. The laboratory charge shall be for the cost thereof and will be determined for each user.

(B) *Surcharges for single event discharges.* Surcharges may be levied for single event discharges that violate the conditions of this ordinance. Said charges shall be reflective of the additional cost to treat or maintain the sewage works due to the high strength discharge or the cost to maintain or repair the sewer, sewer equipment or sewer pumps due to a discharge in violation of this Ordinance. Said surcharges are in the sole discretion of the Township Board.

(C) The rates stated herein shall be effective on **February 6, 2024**, except as otherwise provided. A billing covering use of the system before and after the effective date of this rate change shall have such bill prorated, based upon the average user per day and the number of days within such billing period, at the rate then in effect.

(D) User or users of sewer or sewer services located outside of the Downtown Development Authority of the Township who have connection with the sewage system of the Township shall pay for such service at the above rates and such additional rate to that charged to users within the Downtown Development Authority as the Township Board may determine to cover additional costs to the Township of transportation of wastewater and depreciation of investments by the Township in sewer facilities.

7.7 COST OF CONSTRUCTION, CONNECTION CHARGES.

Where a sewer or sanitary sewer is constructed by a landowner, said landowner shall pay the cost of construction. Construction shall not be commenced until all required permits are obtained and connection charges are paid to the Township. Penalty see § 5.8.

7.8 DEBT RETIREMENT

The initial construction of the sewer system is to be in part financed by debt.

(A) The costs of this construction debt shall be levied upon each lot or parcel of land, building or premises, having any sewer connections with such system, on the basis of the REU Factor multiplied by the debt retirement charge per REU.

(B) Charges shall be collected by the Township quarterly,

(i) The rate to be billed for debt retirement attributable to the initial construction of the system shall be as follows for all users within the sanitary sewer service area of the Township except as otherwise provided herein:

Schedule of Debt Retirement Fee Per Month

Minimum Charge per Month or part thereof

<u>REU</u>	<u>Minimum Fee</u>
1	\$29.37

The foregoing charge is a debt retirement fee for the debt incurred to construct the initial sanitary sewer system.

7.9 REPAIR, REPLACEMENT & IMPROVEMENT CHARGES

The sewer system will require repair, replacement and improvements over time.

(A) The costs of these repairs, replacements and improvements shall be levied upon each lot or parcel of land, building or premises, having any sewer connections with such system, on the basis of the REU Factor multiplied by the R R and I charge per REU.

(B) Charges shall be collected by the Township quarterly,

(i) The rate to be billed for debt retirement attributable to the initial construction of the system shall be as follows for all users within the sanitary sewer service area of the Township except as otherwise provided herein:

Schedule of R R & I Charges Per Month	
<i>Minimum Charge per Month or part thereof</i>	
<u>REU</u>	<u>Minimum Fee</u>
1	\$5.45

The foregoing charge is a fee for the repair, replacement and improvement of the sanitary sewer system.

7.9(a) EXCEPTIONS TO SECTION 7.5, 7.8 and 7.9 CHARGES

1. Any parcel that does not have access to sewer hookup due to lack of an easement shall be not be charged O&M charges, Debt Retirement charges or R, R & I charges, but may be charged a quarterly ready to serve charge in the amount of \$25.00 per quarter.

2. Any parcel that is vacant and is owed by the same owner as a contiguous parcel that is already being charged O&M charges, Debt Retirement charges and R, R & I charges will not be charged O&M charges, Debt Retirement charges or R, R & I charges

3. Any vacant parcels within the sewer district which does not have an exception under 7.9(a)(1 or 2) above, but does not have a facility that is able to be hooked up to the sewer system will not be charged O&M charges, but will be charged the Debt Retirement charges, R, R & I charges and an Administration fee?

4. Any vacant platted lots located within a subdivision will not be charged O&M charges, but will be charged the Debt Retirement charges, R, R & I charges and an Administration fee?

7.10 FREE SERVICE PROHIBITED.

No free service shall be furnished to the Township or any person, or to any public or private agency.