

TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF GREENPORT
COLUMBIA COUNTY NEW YORK

#

Resolution No. 34 -2022

Dated: February 2, 2022

WHEREAS, it is of critical importance to the Town of Greenport to protect its drinking water infrastructure and provide safe and adequate water supply to its users; and

WHEREAS, the goals identified in the Town's Comprehensive Plan related to the Town's infrastructure include "continue to upgrade water and sewer system" and "maintain safe drinking water for all residents"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 118-7 of the Greenport Town Code, the Town Board of the Town of Greenport ("Town Board") is authorized to establish metered water rates; and

WHEREAS, under Section 100-55 of the Greenport Town Code, the Town Board is authorized to set sewer rates by resolution to make proper allowance for residential and commercial users; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Greenport Superintendent of Water and Wastewater has expressed to the Town Board the need to increase water and sewer rates for 2022; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the increases is to enable the Town Board to continue protecting the Town's drinking water infrastructure and providing safe and adequate water supply to users, which includes increasing system reliability and ensuring the continued ability of the system to meet the Town's needs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed water rate for any commercial entity (as determined by its assessment category on the tax rolls) will be increased by \$0.25/1000 gallons to \$3.28/1000 gallons; and

WHEREAS, the water rate shall increase by \$0.25 per 1000 gallons of metered usage for usage within following ranges:

501,000 - 1,000,000 to \$3.53/1000 gallons;

1,000,001 - 5,000,000 to \$4.03 /1000 gallons;

5,000,000 and above to \$4.53/1000 gallons; and

WHEREAS, the commercial sewer rate is proposed to increase \$1.00 per 1000 gallons from the current rate; and

WHEREAS, these increases were discussed with and considered by the Town Board during preparation of the Town of Greenport's 2022 annual budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective upon the passage of this resolution, the commercial water rates for any commercial entity shall increase by \$.25/1000 gallons including any metered usage exceeding 500,000 gallons (with a minimum charge of 18,000 gallons per six month billing period); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the commercial sewer rate shall hereby increase \$1.00 per 1000 gallons from the current rate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in the event of leaks, disrepair, or malfunction of any portion of a water line that results in extraordinary, unintended water usage, the user may request a waiver from the Town Water Superintendent who may, in his discretion, adjust the fee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any pre-existing agreements with out-of-district users as of the date of this resolution shall be exempt from the rate increases;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall become effective immediately and such rates applied to the next water/sewer billing cycle.

Introduced by: Clayton Clark
Seconded by: Keith Martefoles

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all members of the Town Board voting as follows:

The vote: 5 AYES 0 NAYS ABSTENTIONS

The resolution was declared adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA)

I, SHARON ZEMPKO, Town Clerk of the Town of GREENPORT, COLUMBIA County, New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

I have compared the annexed extract of Minutes of the meeting of the Town Board of said Town of Greenport, Columbia County, New York, including the Resolution contained herein, held on the 2 day of February , 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and the same is a true and correct transcript therefrom and the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I, FURTHER CERTIFY, that all members of said Board had due notice of said meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Town this 2nd day of February, 2022.

Sharon Zempko
SHARON ZEMPKO, Town Clerk
Town of Greenport, Columbia County, New York

(SEAL)