## TOWN OF WOODSTOCK RATE INCREASE NOTIFICATION

**To the residents of the Town of Woodstock:** Unfortunately, the continued rise in the cost of services and maintenance to operate, repair, and replace the Town of Woodstock's aging water and sewer infrastructure has been exceeding the revenues generated from our Water and Sewer departments, rates that have not been accurately adjusted to reflect these rising costs in over 15 years. The Town has received notes of deficiency from the auditors and have been told that these funds need to be self sustaining and therefore our rate structure must be modified to properly fund each of these departments.

Please know the Town's Selectboard and Employees strive to provide dependable and quality services to the residents and businesses we serve, all the while being mindful of the cost of these services and its impact to you. The rates below are expected to cover the department budget amounts passed at Town Meeting in April 2021.

Note: The rates were calculated using a formula provided by the USDA Rural Development agency and the Town's current cost to make 1000 gallons of water (\$5.00).

Water Rates	Annual Base Rate	Rate Per 1,000 Gallons	
Current			
Residential	\$210.00	+\$2/1k gallons (over 24k)	
Commercial	\$210.00	+\$2/1k gallons (over 24k)	
Proposed			
Residential	\$150.00 +\$5/1k gallons (all)		
Commercial (>25k)	\$150.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 1 (>100k)	\$600.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 1.5 (100k-150k)	<b>\$900.00</b> +\$5/1k gallons (all)		
Commercial 2 (150K-200k)	\$1,200.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 2.5 (200K-250k)	\$1,400.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 3 (250K-300k)	\$1,800.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 3.5 (300K-350k) \$2,100.00		+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 4 (350K-400k)	() <b>\$2,400.00</b> +\$5/1k gallons (all)		
Commercial 4.5 (400K-450k)	\$2,700.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 5 (450K-500k)	Commercial 5 (450K-500k) \$3,000.00 +\$5/1k gallons (all)		
Commercial 5.5 (500K-550k)	\$3,600.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 6 (550k+)	\$4,200.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	

Sewer Rates		Annual Base Rate	Rate Per 1,000 Gallons	
Current				
	Residential	\$225.00		
	Commercial	varied	_	
Proposed				
	Residential	\$200.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial (>25k)		\$250.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 1 (>100k)		\$1,000.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 1.5 (100k-150k)		\$1,500.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 2 (150K-200k)		\$2,000.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 2.5 (200K-250k)		\$2,500.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercia	al 3 (250K-300k)	\$3,000.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 3.5 (300K-350k)		\$3,500.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 4 (350K-400k)		\$4,000.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 4.5 (400K-450k)		\$4,500.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 5 (450K-500k)		\$5,000.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 5.5 (500K-550k)		\$5,500.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	
Commercial 6 (550k+)		\$6,000.00	+\$5/1k gallons (all)	

<sup>\*</sup> Commercial entities that draw more than 5 million gallons per year will require a MOU.

A Random Sample of Water and Sewer Rates by Household and Business Type Based on 2020 Usage					
Residential Water + Sewer User	Past Year Fees Paid Annually	New 2021 Fees to be Paid	Quarterly Increase		
young family of 4	\$441.00	\$800.00	\$89.75		
family of 4 + add'l apt.	\$870.00	\$1,260.00	\$97.50		
middle-aged couple	\$435.00	\$800.00	\$91.25		
senior citizen	\$435.00	\$470.00	\$8.75		
4 adults	\$435.00	\$710.00	\$68.75		
single adult	\$435.00	\$700.00	\$66.25		
older couple	\$507.00	\$710.00	\$50.75		
1/4 share	\$108.75	\$185.00	\$19.06		
Business Water + Sewer User					
small business	\$960.00	\$2,410.00	\$362.50		
medium business	\$2,554.00	\$4,860.00	\$576.50		
large business	\$5,655.00	\$9,090.00	\$858.75		

## PUBLIC HEARINGS JUNE 8th 5pm JUNE 15th 5pm via Zoom

online at http://bit.ly/TOWRates

phone: 1 646 558 8656 Meeting ID: 935 0216 8673 Passcode: 003948

Questions: call 603-745-8752 or email admin@woodstocknh.org

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

The Town of Woodstock will begin billing Water and Sewer <u>QUARTERLY</u> vs the current billing schedule.