

**LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF VERNON
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
PUBLIC HEARING
July 21, 2011**

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Notice is hereby given that the Vernon Water Pollution Control Authority will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 P.M. on July 21, 2011, in the Conference Room at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 100 Windsorville Road, Vernon, CT so that citizens may be heard concerning a proposed schedule of user charges, establishing collection and disposal of sewage as a service of special benefit nature, and establishing user charges for the collection and disposal of sewage within the Town of Vernon.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 13, Section 1,(a) of the Charter of the Town of Vernon, it is hereby established that the collection and disposal of sewage is a service of special benefit nature.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 13, Section 1,(b) and 1,(c) of the Charter of the Town of Vernon, the Water Pollution Control Authority has prepared lists of properties against which user charges for the collection and disposal of sewage are to be charged, and hereby establishes the following rates for this service for the last three months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, and for the first nine months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012 and payable October 15, 2011, January 15, 2012, April 15, 2012, and July 15, 2012.

Section I. Definition: Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the meaning of terms used in this ordinance shall be as follows:

a.) Operation and Maintenance shall mean those functions that result in expenditures during the useful life of the sewage works for materials, labor, utilities and other items which are necessary for managing and for which such works were designed and constructed. The term "operation and maintenance" includes replacement as defined in paragraph (b).

b.) Replacement shall mean expenditures for obtaining and installing equipment, accessories or appurtenances which are necessary during the useful life of the sewage works to maintain the capacity and performance for which such works were designed and constructed,

c.) Dwelling Unit shall mean any group of rooms located within a dwelling and forming a

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Residential users on wells without approved metering will be charged the average metered residential rate.

Non-residential users on wells are required to install water meters acceptable to the Water Pollution Control Authority.

Non-residential users, specifically including industrial manufacturing operations shall be charged for total flow as determined by an out-flow metering device furnished and/or installed by the user and approved by the Water Pollution Control Authority.

Septage disposal fee at the Wastewater Treatment Facility shall be \$75.00 per 1000 gallons or portion thereof with a minimum charge of \$75.00.

For other than residential users whose buildings contain commercial units where said units are not individually metered, the volume upon which the charge to such user is set shall be based upon the users total volume divided by the number of commercial units within such users building and the charge so determined shall be multiplied by the number of such commercial units to derive the charge to the user.

Section III. The above charges shall be subject to such adjustment as may be required to comply with any applicable Federal or State Regulations.

Section IV. In determining how many dwelling units are contained in a residential structure, the definition, as provided in Section I(a) shall be used with the following exception: The Business Manager of the Water Pollution Control Authority may reduce the number of dwelling units on the list of properties he has prepared for the Authority, if the owner of the property provides sufficient information to the satisfaction of the Business Manager, including but not limited to an affidavit from the property owner that the particular dwelling unit, as determined by the Business Manager, has not been occupied for at least one year prior to the billing period.

Section V. The Business Manager of the Water Pollution Control Authority is hereby designated as the Collector of the charges provided for herein and the said Business Manager is further authorized to collect such charges in accordance with the provisions of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. The Business Manager is further authorized to print on the bill for the charges provided for herein, a notice that if the said bill is not paid within one