LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF VERNON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON AUGUST 13, 2020

Notice is hereby given that the Vernon Water Pollution Control Authority held a Public Hearing at 6:00 P.M. on August 13, 2020. The Public Hearing portion was conducted via teleconference call 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 period of usage January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

Each user shall pay for the services provided by the Town of Vernon based on their use of the sewer works as determined by water meter readings or other appropriate methods acceptable to the Water Pollution Control Authority.

Each user shall pay a per unit minimum usage charge for the operation, maintenance, system replacement, and availability of sewer services of \$60.50, said minimum to include the first 10,000 gallons of metered usage. Each additional thousand (1000) gallons of usage, or portion thereof, will be charged \$5.75. Usage charges will be billed based upon the following biannual schedule: October 1, 2020 for the usage period January 1 to June 30, 2020 and April 1, 2021 for the usage period July 1 to December 31, 2020.

Residential users on wells without approved metering will be charged a flat rate of \$146.75 per six months of usage.

For any multi-unit building, facility, or instances where multiple units share a single metered water supply and separate ownership, the volume upon which the charge to such user is set shall be based upon the metered total volume for facility or building divided by the number of units within such building, and the charge so determined shall be the user charge rates multiplied by usage of each such unit to derive the charge to the owner of said unit. In no instance shall the per unit charge be less than the minimum charge.

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 monthly totals rounded up to the next 1000, with a minimum charge of \$75.00 to be billed once a month.

Connection/Permit Fees

One & Two Family Dwellings, Condominiums:	\$2000.00 per unit
Multi-Family Apartment Dwellings:	1st two dwellings-\$2000 ea.; each additional unit \$1500.00
Institutional Buildings Schools, Churches, etc.	\$2000.00 per 1,500 square feet
Inspection Fee:	\$85.00 per lateral
Reconstruction, Relocation or Repair:	\$45.00
Permit Renewal Fee:	\$15.00

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

The Office of the Collector of Revenue, located at 8 Park Place, Vernon CT 06066, is hereby designated as the collector of the charges on behalf of the Water Pollution Control Authority and does so in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General State Statutes. Payments are accepted during office hours: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 8:30am-4:30pm, Thursday 8:30am-7:00pm and Friday 8:30am-1:00pm and also may be mailed to: Town of Vernon WPCA, Po Box 147, Vernon, CT 06066. Payment for sewer use bills due on October 1, 2020 must be received or postmarked by November 2, 2020 and will become delinquent on November 3, 2020. Payment for sewer use bills due April 1, 2021 must be received or postmarked by May 3, 2021 and will become delinquent on May 4, 2021. Pursuant to SS 7-258 and SS 12-146, delinquent charges will be subject to an interest rate of 1.5% per month from the due date, with a minimum of \$2.00 charged.

A copy of the foregoing, complete Schedule of Rates, Charges and Fees, definition of terms and categories of users, are on file with the Town Clerk's office, 14 Park Place, Vernon, CT.

Andrew Tedford, Chairman Water Pollution Control Authority Town of Vernon, CT

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