

**VILLAGE OF BERRIEN SPRINGS  
RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 40 (UTILITIES), ARTICLE IV (RATES  
AND CHARGES) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, VILLAGE OF BERRIEN  
SPRINGS, MICHIGAN - WATER AND SEWER RATES AND DEMAND CHARGES**

At a meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Berrien Springs, Berrien County, Michigan, held in the Village Hall located at 112 North Cass Street in the Village of Berrien Springs, on Monday, the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020, there were:

PRESENT: President Pro Tem Barry Gravitt; Trustees: Jack Davis, Lonna Johnson, Milt Richter, Sandy Swartz and Kristin von Maur.

ABSENT: President Jesse Hibler.

The following Resolution was offered by Council Member Milt Richter and seconded by Council Member Kristin von Maur.

**WHEREAS**, in light of the recent Michigan Rural Water Association Rate Evaluation completed and in order to continue to provide sewer and water services to the public, and to have the necessary funds to pay and maintain said services, and to meet the bond obligations, certain rates, charges and fees need to be increased, effective on this date, and the new rate shall apply to the next quarterly billing.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Quarterly Demand Charges and Commodity Charges for Water and Sewer shall be increased effective July 1, 2020, by 5% for water and by 6% for sewer, and, thereafter, by 2% for water and 3% for sewer on July 1st of each following year, respectively, and these annual increases shall continue until further Resolution of the Village Council.

**I. VILLAGE OF BERRIEN SPRINGS**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that for properties located within the Village of Berrien Springs corporate limits which use Village supplied water and/or sewer, the following rates shall apply as a quarterly charge to be collected the first of each February, May, August and November:

**VILLAGE  
QUARTERLY DEMAND CHARGE<sup>1</sup>**

2020, July 1st		
Meter Size	Water	Sewer
5/8" x 3/4"	\$17.35	\$115.29
3/4"	23.53	169.59
1"	35.89	278.13
1-1/2"	66.76	549.54
2"	103.81	875.19
3"	202.63	1,743.62
4"	344.68	2,991.99
6"	622.60	5,434.44
8"	1,240.18	10,862.15

2021 and beyond continued July 1 annual increases of 2% for water & 3% for sewer until further resolution of the Village Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in addition to the above demand charges, each meter shall be billed for water usage and sewer usage at the following rate for every 1,000 gallons used:

**VILLAGE  
COMMODITY CHARGE<sup>1</sup>**  
For Properties Located Within the Village

2020, July 1st		
	Water	Sewer
COMMODITY CHARGE (\$/1,000 GAL):	\$2.35	\$4.98

2021 and beyond continued July 1 annual increases of 2% for water & 3% for sewer until further resolution of the Village Council.

**II. PROPERTIES OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE LIMITS**  
(Excluding River Springs Estates Mobile Home Park)

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that for properties located outside the Village of Berrien Springs' corporate limits (excluding River Springs Estates Mobile Home Park), which use Village supplied water and/or sewer, the following rates shall apply as a quarterly charge to be collected the first of each February, May, August and November:

**OUTSIDE VILLAGE  
QUARTERLY DEMAND CHARGE <sup>1</sup>**

**2020, July 1st**

Meter Size	Water	Sewer
5/8" x 3/4"	\$21.69	\$167.17
3/4"	29.41	245.91
1"	44.86	403.29
1-1/2"	83.45	796.83
2"	129.76	1,269.03
3"	253.29	2,528.25
4"	430.85	4,338.39
6"	778.25	7,879.94
8"	1,550.23	15,750.12

2021 and beyond continued July 1 annual increases of 2% for water & 3% for sewer until further resolution of the Village Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in addition to the above demand charges, each meter shall be billed for water usage and sewer usage at the following rate for every 1,000 gallons used:

**OUTSIDE VILLAGE  
COMMODITY CHARGE<sup>1</sup>**

For Properties Located Outside the Village  
(Excluding River Springs Estates Mobile Home Park)

**2020, July 1st**

	Water	Sewer
COMMODITY CHARGE (\$1,000 GAL):	\$2.94	\$7.22

2021 and beyond continued July 1 annual increases of 2% for water & 3% for sewer until further resolution of the Village Council.

**III. RIVER SPRINGS ESTATES MOBILE HOME PARK**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that for River Springs Estates Mobile Home Park, the following rates shall apply as a quarterly charge to be collected the first of each February, May, August and November:

**RIVER SPRINGS ESTATES  
QUARTERLY DEMAND CHARGE<sup>2</sup>**

Sewer Quarterly Demand Charge  
Per Mobile Home Unit

**2020, July 1st**

Meter Size	Sewer	
5/8" x 3/4"		\$144.11

2021 and beyond continued July 1 annual increases of 2% for water & 3% for sewer until further resolution of the Village Council.

Water Quarterly Demand  
Charge

**2020, July 1st**

Meter Size	Water	
8"	\$1,550.23	

2021 and beyond continued July 1 annual increases of 2% for water & 3% for sewer until further resolution of the Village Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in addition to the above demand charges, each meter shall be billed for water usage and sewer usage at the following rate for every 1,000 gallons used.

**RIVER SPRINGS ESTATES  
COMMODITYCHARGE<sup>2</sup>**

**2020, July 1st**

	Water	Sewer
COMMODITY CHARGE (\$/1,000 GAL):	\$2.94	\$6.23

2021 and beyond continued July 1 annual increases of 2% for water & 3% for sewer until further resolution of the Village Council.

IV. SEWER AND WATER CONNECTION AND TAP-IN FEES: DEBT  
SERVICE FEE; SEWER LATERAL STUB FEES AND  
ADVANCE PAYMENTS

**SEWER<sup>3</sup>**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that those properties that have not been assessed for sewer mains that were built and paid for by the Village, the connection fees shall be \$3,090.00 per REU.<sup>4</sup>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the debt service/capacity charges per meter equivalent shall be as follows<sup>5</sup>:

Meter Size	Debt Service/Capacity Charge
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 3,836.75
3/4"	5,755.64
1"	9,592.39
1-1/2"	19,183.75
2"	30,694.00
3"	67,134.64
4"	120,858.14
6"	268,512.50

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the **sewer lateral stub fee<sup>5</sup>** shall be Five Hundred Fifteen and no/100 (\$515.00) Dollars.

**WATER<sup>6</sup>**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that for those properties that have not been assessed for water mains that were built and paid for by the Village, the **connection fee per front footage** shall be \$30.00 per foot. Corner lots will be charged for the least dimension fronting the street.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the debt service/capacity charges for any prospective water user is as follows:

Meter Size	Debt Service/Capacity Charge
5/8"	\$800.00
3/4"	1,200.00
1"	2,000.00
1-1/2"	4,000.00
2"	6,400.00
3"	14,000.00
4"	25,200.00
6"	56,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the advance payment to be made when water service is turned on or service is placed in the name of a new customer, which sum shall be and remain as an advanced payment being a continuing guaranty of payment for future water usage, shall be as follows:

Meter Size	Within Village Limits	Outside Village Limits
5/8" X 3/4"	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
1"	100.00	125.00
1-1/2"	250.00	440.00
2"	350.00	615.00
3"	500.00	875.00
4"	1,000.00	1,750.00
6"	2,400.00	4,200.00

AYES: Roll call vote: Milt Richter, Kristin von Maur, Jack Davis, Sandy Swartz and President Pro Tem Barry Gravitt.

NAYS: Trustee Lonna Johnson.

ABSENT: Village President Jesse Hibler.

The resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

  
Sheryl A. Kesterke, Village Clerk

  
Barry Gravitt, President Pro Tem



Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Berrien Springs, Berrien County, Michigan, at a meeting held on Monday, June 29, 2020, and that said meeting was held in compliance with Act 267 of the Public Acts of 1976.

Date: June 29, 2020

  
Sheryl A. Kesterke, Village Clerk

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<sup>1</sup> Reference Ordinance No.290

<sup>2</sup> Reference Ordinance No.295

<sup>3</sup> Reference Ordinance No.266

<sup>4</sup> The Residential Equivalent Unit is set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto

<sup>5</sup> Reference Ordinance Nos. 266 and 267

<sup>6</sup> Reference Ordinance No. 267

# EXHIBIT A



**EXHIBIT A**  
**RESIDENTIAL EQUIVALENT UNITS**

Occupational Use	Residential Equivalent	Unit Multiplier
Single Family Residence	1.0	Per residence
Auto Dealers - New and/or Used	0.5	0.50 per employee
Auto Repair/Collision	1.0	Per premise plus 0.25 per 1,000 square feet of building in- cluding service area
Auto Wash (coin operated do it yourself) 10 gallons or less per car	1.0	Per stall
Auto Wash (mechanical - over 10 gallons per car - not re- cycled)	10.0	Per stall or production line including approach and dry- ing areas
Auto Wash (mechanical - over 10 gallons per car - recycled)	5.0	Per stall or production line including approach and dry- ing areas
Banks and Savings & Loan Associates	0.5	Per 1,000 square feet
Barber Shop	1.0	Per shop plus 0.1 per chair after two
Bar and Restaurant	0.05	Per seat
Beauty Shop	1.0	Per premise plus 0.2 per booth
Bowling Alley (no bar)	1.0	Per premise plus 0.2 per alley
Churches	0.01	Per seat
Cleaners (pick-up only)	1.0	Per premise
Cleaners (cleaning and pres- sing facility)	1.0	Per premise plus 0.5 per 500 square feet

Occupational Use	Residential Equivalent	Unit Multiplier
Clinics (medical and dental)	1.0	Per premise plus 0.5 per exam room
Convalescent or Boarding Homes	1.0	Per premise plus 0.25 per bedroom
Convents	1.0	Per premise plus 0.25 per bedroom
Country Clubs and Athletic Clubs	1.5	Per 1,000 square feet of clubhouse plus restaurant and bar
Drug Store	1.0	Per premise plus snack bar
Factories (exclusive of industrial works)	0.15	Per person/per shift
Funeral Home	1.5	Per 1,000 square feet plus residence to be computed separately
Grocery Stores and Supermarkets	1.0	Per premise plus 0.48 per employee
Gym	1.0	Per premise
Home Occupations	1.0	Per premise plus 0.048 per employee
Hospitals	1.1	Per bed
Hotels and Motels	0.25	Per room
Industrial Works (processing - not wet process)		To be determined at application
Laundry (self serve)	1.0	Per premise plus 0.6 per washer
Mobile Homes (freestanding)	1.0	Per unit
Mobile Homes (parks or subdivisions)	1.0	Per pad or site at indirect connection plus laundry, community buildings and office
Multiple Family Residence		
Duplex or Row Houses	1.0	Per dwelling unit
Apartment	1.0	Per dwelling unit
Professional Office	0.40	Per 1,000 square feet
Public Institutions	0.75	Per 1,000 square feet
Restaurants	0.1	Per seat
Restaurants Auxiliary Dining Rooms where used less than 20 hours/week	0.03	Per seat
Schools		
No cafeteria, pool or showers	1.0	Per classroom
Cafeteria, showers and pool	1.75	Per classroom
Cafeteria, shower	1.5	Per classroom
Bus garage	0.25	Per employee
Service Station	2.0	Per station

Occupational Use	Residential Equivalent	Unit Multiplier
Snack bars, Drive-in, etc.	0.05	Per seat
Retail Stores (other than listed)	1.0	Per premise plus 0.1 per 1,000 square feet
Theater (drive in)	0.04	Per car space
Theater	0.04	Per seat
Post Office	1.0	Per 1,000 square feet
Rooming Houses (no meals)	1.0	Plus 0.30 per bedroom
Swimming Pool (non-residen- tial)	3.0	Per 1,000 square foot pool area
Trailer Parks (central bath- houses)	0.35	Per trailer
Trailer Parks (individual sewer connection)	1.00	Per trailer
Travel Trailer Parks and Campgrounds (with indi- vidual sewer connections)	0.20	Per site
(without individual sewer connections)	0.15	Per site
Veterinary Facility	1.5	Per facility
Veterinary Facility with ken- nel	1.5	Per facility plus 0.5 per five kennels
Warehouse and Storage	0.2	Per 1,000 square feet

NOTE: Each connection to the public sewers will be assigned a minimum of one (1) equivalent user. Where fractional units above 1.00 are computed, the nearest whole number will be assigned.

Residential Equivalent assignments for uses other than those listed above shall be determined on an individual basis by the City based upon comparable listed uses. The City reserves the right to make adjustments to individual Residential Equivalent assignments where circumstances are shown to warrant such adjustments.