

NOTICE OF HEARING

ON PROPOSED RATES AND CHARGES

Property owners, rate payers and other interested parties in, served by or to be served by the Town of Kouts are hereby notified that Ordinance No. 2017-3, establishing rates and charges for services to be rendered by the Kouts Municipal Sewage Works, was introduced at a meeting of the Town Council held on June 19, 2017. At a meeting of the Town Council to be held at 6:30 p.m. (Kouts time) on July 17, 2017, at the Kouts Town Hall, 210 South Main Street, Kouts, Indiana 46347, there will be a public hearing on the matter of the rates and charges, and consideration of adoption of said Ordinance No. 2017-3 which provides in part as follows:

Section 3. Rates Established

3. All Class I and II users.

Metered Rates per Month per 1,000 Gallons

Operation, Maintenance & Replacement Rate	Effective upon adoption	Effective June 1, 2018	Effective June 1, 2019
Per 1,000 gallons:	\$4.31	\$5.62	\$6.93

Local Capital Charge Rates per 1,000 Gallons

	Effective upon adoption	Effective June 1, 2018	Effective June 1, 2019
First 4,600 gallons	\$5.67	\$7.39	\$9.12
Next 5,400 gallons	4.96	6.47	7.97
Next 40,000 gallons	3.89	5.07	6.26
Over 50,000 gallons	2.13	2.78	3.42

Billing & Collection Charge per Bill

	Effective upon adoption	Effective June 1, 2018	Effective June 1, 2019
	\$3.39	\$4.42	\$5.45

Minimum Monthly Charges:

Water				
Meter Size (Gallons)	Allowance	Effective upon adoption	Effective June 1, 2018	Effective June 1, 2019
5/8" - 3/4"	2,000	\$23.35	\$30.44	\$37.55
1"	5,000	53.01	69.11	85.24
1 1/2"	10,000	99.36	129.56	159.74
2"	16,000	148.56	193.70	238.88
3"	30,000	263.36	343.36	423.54
4"	50,000	427.36	557.16	687.34
6"	100,000	749.36	977.16	1,204.84
Unmetered	N/A	49.32	64.31	79.30

Each user shall pay a minimum charge according to the above meter size for which the user will be entitled to the quantity of water shown for each month.

4. **Unmetered Rate per Month.** In all cases in which users of said sewage system are not supplied with water from the municipal waterworks system or such usage is not metered, the charge for the use of the sewage system shall be charged the unmetered minimum monthly charge (\$49.32 effective upon adoption, \$64.31 effective June 1, 2018, \$79.30 effective June 1, 2019).

Section 4. Adjustment of Rates Based on Water Usage

d. In the event two (2) or more dwelling units such as mobile homes, apartments or housekeeping rooms discharging sanitary sewage, water or other liquids into the Town's sanitary sewage system, either directly or indirectly, are users of water and the quantity of water is measured by a single water meter, then in such case, billing shall be for a single service in the manner set out elsewhere herein, except that a minimum charge shall be billed monthly per dwelling unit served through the single water meter (\$23.35 effective upon adoption, \$30.44 effective June 1, 2018, \$37.55 effective June 1, 2019). In the case of mobile home courts, the number of dwelling units shall be computed and interpreted as the total number of mobile home spaces available for rent plus any other dwelling units served through the meter. A dwelling unit shall be interpreted as a room or rooms or any other space or spaces in which cooking facilities are provided.

Section 5. Adjustment of Rates Based on Sewage Content.

a. Normal sewage domestic waste strength should not exceed a suspended solids in excess of 150 milligrams per liter of fluid, biochemical oxygen demand in excess of 150 milligrams per liter of fluid, or ammonia in excess of 20 milligrams per liter of fluid. Additional charges for treating stronger-than-normal domestic waste shall be made on the following basis.

1. Rate surcharge based upon suspended solids.

Effective upon adoption, there shall be an additional charge of 68 cents per pound of suspended solids for suspended solids received in excess of 150 milligrams per liter of fluid.

Effective June 1, 2018, there shall be an additional charge of 89 cents per pound of suspended solids for suspended solids received in excess of 150 milligrams per liter of fluid.

Effective June 1, 2019, there shall be an additional charge of \$1.09 per pound of suspended solids for suspended solids received in excess of 150 milligrams per liter of fluid.

2. Rate surcharge based upon BOD.

Effective upon adoption, there shall be an additional charge of 68 cents per pound of biochemical oxygen demand for BOD received in excess of 150 milligrams per liter of fluid.

Effective June 1, 2018, there shall be an additional charge of 89 cents per pound of biochemical oxygen demand for BOD received in excess of 150 milligrams per liter of fluid.

Effective June 1, 2019, there shall be an additional charge of \$1.09 per pound of biochemical oxygen demand for BOD received in excess of 150 milligrams per liter of fluid.

3. Rate surcharge based upon ammonia.

Effective upon adoption, there shall be an additional charge of \$1.68 per pound of ammonia for ammonia received in excess of 20 milligrams per liter of fluid.

Effective June 1, 2018, there shall be an additional charge of \$2.19 per pound of ammonia received in excess of 20 milligrams per liter of fluid.

Effective June 1, 2019, there shall be an additional charge of \$2.70 per pound of ammonia received in excess of 20 milligrams per liter of fluid.

At such hearing and prior to final adoption of said Ordinance, all interested parties may appear and be heard. A copy of Ordinance No. 2017-3 may be examined at the office of the Clerk-Treasurer.

Dated this 7 day of July, 2017.

Laurie Tribble
Clerk-Treasurer
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