

CHERRY VALLEY SEWER DISTRICT

NOTICE OF NEW SEWER RATES – EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2017

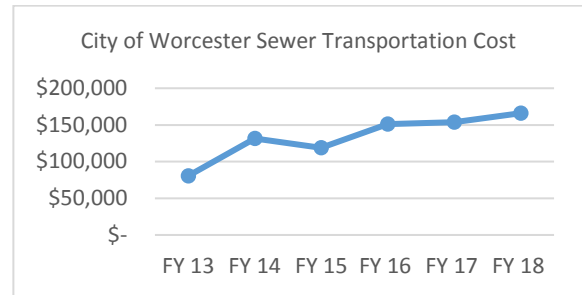
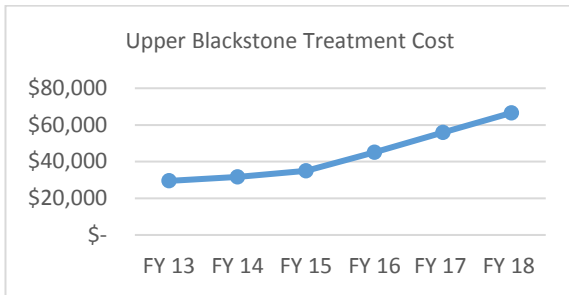
The intent of this notice is to inform all customers of the Cherry Valley Sewer District (CVSD) of a newly implemented rate structure, effective immediately and billed on April 1, 2017.

The Commissioners contracted a Massachusetts based company with twenty-one years of experience, specializing in sewer rate studies for numerous cities, towns and districts. The intent of the study was to independently evaluate the current schedule of rates and fees and to develop and recommend revisions. The objective of the study was to purpose a rate structure to adequately fund sewer utility operation and maintenance expenses, debt service, specified reserves, and other cash requirements.

Summary of Findings and Recommendations:

The study concluded that the current rates did not generate enough revenue to keep pace with the sewer charges assessed to the District by the Upper Blackstone (sewer treatment) and the City of Worcester (sewer transportation). The revised Sewer rates will replace the current rate structure and generate necessary revenue to fund operating expenses, salaries, debt, sewer treatment and transportation costs.

CVSD sends its waste water through the City of Worcester to the Upper Blackstone. Both the City of Worcester and Upper Blackstone have increased their rates significantly over the past few years.

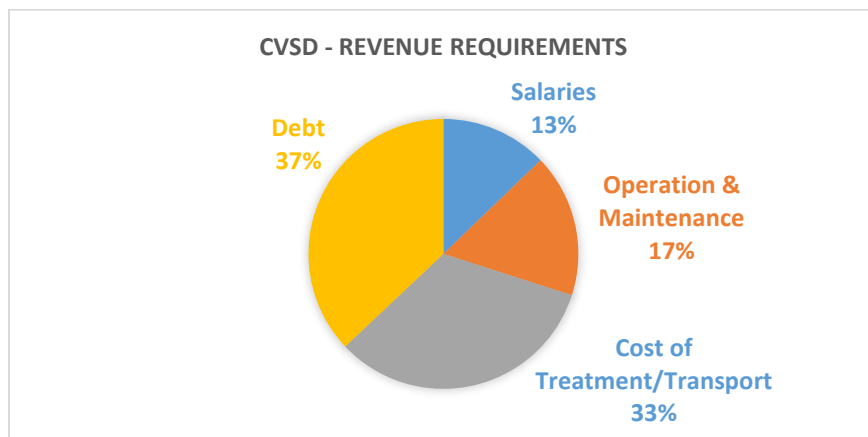


The New Rates Effective April 1, 2017:

The approved Minimum charge is **\$29.00** and contains zero (0) Consumption

| STEP | Monthly Range Cubic Feet | Sewer Rate Per Cubic Foot |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 st Step | 1 – 350 | \$0.0624 |
| 2 nd Step | 351 – 700 | \$0.0971 |
| 3 rd Step | 701 – 1,050 | \$0.1481 |
| 4 th Step | Over 1,050 | \$0.2198 |

Those customers who are not connected to the Cherry Valley & Rochdale Water District and who have a private well, will be charged \$35.00 per bedroom, per household as used by the Mass Department of Health Sanitary Code.



Operation & Maintenance – Pipes, Field Supplies, Vehicle Maintenance, Electricity, etc.
 Cost of treating Sewer – City of Worcester and Upper Blackstone

Respectfully,

Board of Sewer Commissioners
 Donald G. Manseau, Chairman
 Victor M. Taylor, Commissioner
 Michael L. Della Cava, Sr., Commissioner

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