

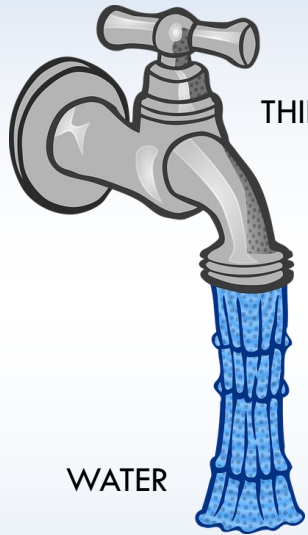
TWO SEPARATE UTILITIES

TWO SEPARATE PURPOSES

TWO SEPARATE FUNDS

TWO SEPARATE BILLS

ALL ON ONE INVOICE



WATER

THINK OF IT LIKE
"BUNDLING" YOUR
TELEPHONE AND TV,
TWO *UNRELATED*
SERVICES, PROVIDED
AND BILLED THROUGH
THE SAME COMPANY.



AND SEWER

FALL UNDER THE STRICT
GUIDELINES OF THE NY
STATE COMPTROLLER'S
OFFICE IN HOW THEY ARE
TO BE MANAGED AS
'COMPLETELY SEPARATE
FUNDS'.

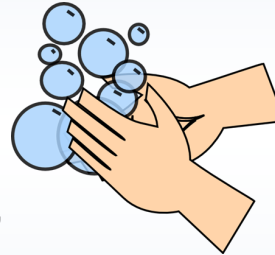
Water and Sewer Usage Rates

Based on individual consumption

The rate is applied to the "actual"
gallons or cubic feet used

The rate should pay for "variable"
operational and maintenance
(O&M) related to the water flowing
out from the pump houses and
waste back in to the treatment plant

Variable O&M
costs include
\$ electricity \$,
lab/chemical
treatment supplies,
and disposal fees



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Understanding your

WATER AND SEWER BILLS



2 SEPARATE UTILITY SERVICES

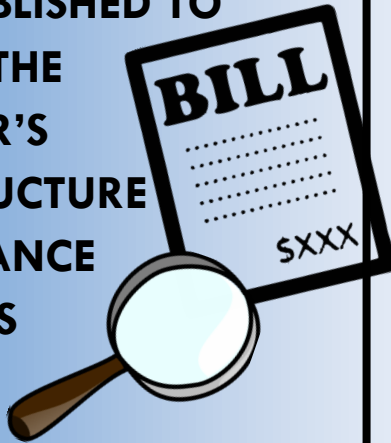
MEASURED AND PROCESSED ON 1 BILL



WHAT'S A SEWER READY TO SERVE FEE?

- The \$30 base charge was set up to pay the loan on the original treatment plant.
- There should be a standard base charge for all properties with sewer available.
- The base charge must cover the "fixed costs"... the cost before flushing the toilet.
- The base charge must cover sewer "availability", including all infrastructure relating to the sewer treatment plant, sewer collection system, debt, provision for maintenance on the infrastructure and planned updates, along with employee expenses.

THE WATER RESERVE FEE WAS ESTABLISHED TO SUPPORT THE WATER'S INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE COSTS



40 YEAR OLD TREATMENT PLANT



Today's 'Forever' Stamp is 50 cents over 3X as much



Base \$30/Qtr Sewer Rent Charge remains unchanged

	QTRLY SEWER RTS		Stamp Cents	Historical Percentage Increase
1978	30.00		15	
1979	30.00		15	-
1980	30.00		15	-
1981	35.00	6,000.00	18	16.67
1982	38.50	10,200.00	20	10.00
1983	38.50	10,200.00	20	-
1984	38.50	10,200.00	20	-
1985	42.00	14,400.00	22	9.09
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2009	79.22	59,065.54	44	4.55
2010	79.22	59,065.54	44	-
2011	79.22	59,065.54	44	-
2012	80.98	61,178.10	45	2.22
2013	82.74	63,290.67	46	2.17
2014	87.81	69,369.69	49	6.12
2015	87.81	69,369.69	49	-
2016	84.07	64,885.88	47	(4.26)
2017	87.50	69,003.67	49	4.08
2018	89.25	71,103.74	50	2.00
		\$ 1,482,442.79		

STAMPS VS. SEWER

Had the \$30/Qtr base sewer charge increased in the same progression as the US postal stamp over the last 40 years...
 ...the Sherman sewer plant would have had 1.5 million dollars in added revenue.
 1.5 million dollars would have contributed to the necessary sewer treatment plant upgrade after 40 yrs.

Current Ex. with 1-500 cu. ft. usage:

QUARTERLY BILL

SEWER	\$ 38.50	(USAGE)
SEWER_RTS	\$ 30.00	(BASE)
WATER	\$ 21.95	(USAGE)
WATER_RSV	\$ <u>5.00</u>	(BASE)
TOTAL	\$ 95.45	/Quarter

WATER PORTION

WATER	\$ 21.95	(USAGE)
WATER_RSV	\$ <u>5.00</u>	(BASE)
TOTAL	\$ 26.95	/Quarter

LESS THAN \$9/month

Insufficient, requires restructuring of utility charges to more appropriately distribute costs to all customers.