

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORCESTER TOWNSHIP**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-247**

**"Sewer Rates Ordinance"**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WORCESTER, CHAPTER 122 (SEWERS), ARTICLE II (SEWER RATES AND CHARGES), SECTION 122-11 (UNIFORM RATES AND CHARGES) TO REVISE PARAGRAPH "A" (RESIDENTIAL) TO INCREASE THE RATE PAYABLE ANNUALLY FOR EACH PRIVATE DWELLING UNIT AS FOLLOWS: \$418.00 PER ANNUM FOR THE YEAR 2014, PAYABLE AT A RATE OF \$104.50 PER QUARTER; \$459.80 PER ANNUM FOR THE YEAR 2015, PAYABLE AT A RATE OF \$114.95 PER QUARTER; AND \$505.80 PER ANNUM FOR THE YEAR 2016, PAYABLE AT A RATE OF \$126.45 PER QUARTER; AND FURTHER AMENDING ARTICLE III (MEADOWOOD RETIREMENT COMMUNITY SEWER DISTRICT), SECTION 122-16 (RATES AND CHARGES), PARAGRAPH "A"; ARTICLE IV (CENTER POINT VILLAGE SEWER DISTRICT), SECTION 122-20 (RATES AND CHARGES), PARAGRAPH "A"; ARTICLE VII (FAIRVIEW VILLAGE SEWER DISTRICT), SECTION 122-43 (NONRESIDENTIAL AND MIXED-USE RATES AND CHARGES), PARAGRAPH "C"; AND ARTICLE VIII (FAIRVIEW VILLAGE EAST, FAIRVIEW VILLAGE WEST AND VALLEY FORGE ROAD SEWER DISTRICTS), SECTION 122-49 (NONRESIDENTIAL AND MIXED-USE RATES AND CHARGES), PARAGRAPH "C" TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM SEWER RENTAL CHARGE FOR EACH 1,000 GALLONS OF METERED WATER CONSUMED PER MONTH FOR NONRESIDENTIAL AND MIXED-USES AS FOLLOWS: \$6.82 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014; \$7.50 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015; AND \$8.25 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016.**

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The Board of Supervisors of Worcester Township does hereby **ENACT and ORDAIN**  
as follows:

**SECTION I. – Amendment to Code**

The Code of the Township of Worcester, Chapter 122 (Sewers), Article II (Sewer Rates and Charges), Section 122-11 (Uniform Rates and Charges), Paragraph “A” (Residential) is hereby deleted and replaced with the following new Paragraph A:

A. The rate for each private dwelling unit shall be \$418.00 per annum payable at a rate of \$104.50 per quarter effective January 1, 2014; \$459.80 per annum payable at a rate of \$114.95 per quarter effective January 1, 2015; and to \$505.80 per annum payable at a rate of \$126.45 per quarter effective January 1, 2016. Each dwelling unit in a double house or a row of connecting houses or in an apartment building shall be billed as a separate entity. If two or more families use separate cooking and/or toilet facilities in an improved property, the sewer rate payable hereunder shall be computed as though each such family was a separate use with a separate connection to the sewer. If two or more dwelling units are connected to the sewer system through a single lateral, the sewer rates and charges payable hereunder shall be computed as though each such dwelling unit were a separate improved property or user with a separate connection to the sewer system.

**SECTION II. – Amendment to Code**

The Code of the Township of Worcester, Chapter 122 (Sewers), Article III (Meadowood Retirement Community Sewer District), Section 122-16 (Rates and Charges) is hereby amended to delete existing Paragraph “A” in its entirety and replace it with the following new Paragraph “A”:

A. The following minimum charges for each 1,000 gallons of metered water consumed per month at the Meadowood Retirement Community are hereby imposed upon the owner of the Meadowood Retirement Community and upon its successors in title, payable as herein provided, which shall be collected by Worcester Township and used for payment of the cost of operating and maintaining that portion of the Township's sewage collection and disposal system comprising the Meadowood Sewer District and for a reserve fund sufficient for its future replacement: effective January 1, 2014, a charge of \$6.82; effective January 1, 2015, a charge of \$7.50; and effective January 1, 2016, a charge of \$8.25. This minimum charge is based upon Meadowood discharging sewage with the characteristics of typical domestic sewage with a strength no greater than the following concentrations:

<b>Type of Sewage</b>	<b>Concentration (mg/l)</b>
BOD-5	250
Suspended Solids	250
Total Phosphorous	10
Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	20

**SECTION III. – Amendment to Code**

The Code of the Township of Worcester, Chapter 122 (Sewers), Article IV (Center Point Village Sewer District), Section 122-20 (Rates and Charges) is hereby revised to delete existing Paragraph “A” in its entirety and replace it with the following new Paragraph “A”:

A. The following minimum charges for each 1,000 gallons of metered water consumed per month at the Center Point Village Shopping Center are hereby imposed upon the owner of the Center Point Village Shopping Center and upon its successors in title, payable as herein provided, which shall be collected by Worcester Township and used for payment of the cost of operating and maintaining that portion of the Township's sewage collection and disposal system comprising the Center Point Village Sewer District and for a reserve fund sufficient for its future replacement: effective January 1, 2014, a charge of \$6.82; effective January 1, 2015, a charge of \$7.50; and effective January 1, 2016, a charge of \$8.25. This minimum charge is based upon Center Point Village discharging sewage with the characteristics of typical domestic sewage with a strength no greater than the following concentrations:

<b>Type of Sewage</b>	<b>Concentration (mg/l)</b>
BOD-5	250
Suspended Solids	250
Total Phosphorous	10
Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	20

**SECTION IV. – Amendment to Code**

The Code of the Township of Worcester, Chapter 122 (Sewers), Article VII (Fairview Village Sewer District), Section 122-43 (Nonresidential and Mixed-Use Rates and Charges) is hereby amended to delete existing Paragraph “C” in its entirety and replace it with the following new Paragraph “C”:

C. The sewer rental rate or charge shall be calculated based on total water consumption. The following minimum charges for each 1,000 gallons of metered water consumed per month on the premises are hereby imposed upon all nonresidential, or mixed-use owners or their successors in title payable as herein provided, which shall be collected by Worcester Township in use for payment of the cost of operating and maintaining that portion of the Township's sewage collection and disposal system comprising the Fairview Village Sewer District and for a reserve fund sufficient for its future replacement: effective January 1, 2014, a charge of \$6.82; effective January 1, 2015, a charge of \$7.50; and effective January 1, 2016, a charge of \$8.25.

**SECTION V. – Amendment to Code**

The Code of the Township of Worcester, Chapter 122 (Sewers), Article VIII (Fairview Village East, Fairview Village West and Valley Forge Road Sewer District), Section 122-49 (Nonresidential and Mixed-Use Rates and Charges) is hereby amended to delete existing Paragraph “C” in its entirety and replace it with the following new Paragraph “C”:

C. The sewer rental rate or charge shall be calculated based on total water consumption. The following minimum charges for each 1,000 gallons of metered water consumed on the premises per month are hereby imposed upon all nonresidential, or mixed-use owners or their successors in title as herein provided, which shall be collected by Worcester Township in use for payment of the cost of operating and maintaining that portion of the Township sewerage collection and disposal system comprising the Fairview Village East Sewer District, the Fairview Village West Sewer District and the Valley Forge Road Sewer District, respectively, and for a reserve fund sufficient for their future replacement: effective January 1, 2014, a charge of \$6.82; effective January 1, 2015, a charge of \$7.50; and effective January 1, 2016, a charge of \$8.25.

**SECTION VI. – Severability**

The provisions of this Ordinance are intended to be severable, and if any section, sentence, clause, part or provision hereof shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, parts or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board that this Ordinance would have been adopted even if such

illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause, part or provision had not been included herein.

**SECTION VII. – Failure to Enforce not a Waiver**

The failure of the Township to enforce any provision of this Ordinance shall not constitute a waiver by the Township of its rights of future enforcement hereunder.

**SECTION VIII. – Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force as of January 1, 2014.

**SECTION IX. – Repealer**

All other ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof insofar as they are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this Ordinance.

**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Worcester Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013.

**WORCESTER TOWNSHIP**

By:   
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**Arthur C. Bustard**, Chairman,  
Board of Supervisors

Attest:   
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**F. Lee Mangan**, Secretary,

## NOTICE

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Worcester, at its public meeting on December 18, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the Worcester Township Community Hall, 1031 Valley Forge Road, Fairview Village, Worcester, Pennsylvania, will hold a hearing on and could vote to adopt an ordinance entitled "Sewer Rate Ordinance" amending the Code of the Township of Worcester, Chapter 122 (Sewers), Article II (Sewer Rates and Charges), Section 122-11 (Uniform Rates and Charges) to revise Paragraph "A" (Residential) to increase the rate payable annually for each private dwelling unit as follows: \$418.00 per annum for the year 2014, payable at a rate of \$104.50 per quarter; \$459.80 per annum for the year 2015, payable at a rate of \$114.95 per quarter; and \$505.80 per annum for the year 2016, payable at a rate of \$126.45 per quarter; and further, amending Article III (Meadowood Retirement Community Sewer District), Section 122-16 (Rates and Charges), Paragraph "A"; Article IV (Center Point Village Sewer District), Section 122-20 (Rates and Charges), Paragraph "A"; Article VII (Fairview Village Sewer District), Section 122-43 (Nonresidential and Mixed-Use Rates and Charges), Paragraph "C"; and Article VIII (Fairview Village East, Fairview Village West and Valley Forge Road Sewer Districts), Section 122-49 (Nonresidential and Mixed-Use Rates and Charges), Paragraph "C" to increase the minimum sewer rental charge for each 1,000 gallons of metered water consumed per month for nonresidential and mixed-uses as follows: \$6.82 effective January 1, 2014; \$7.50 effective January 1, 2015; and \$8.25 effective January 1, 2016.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for examination during normal business hours at the offices of *Times Herald*, 410 Markley Street, Norristown, Pennsylvania 19404, the Montgomery County Law Library, Court House, Norristown, Pennsylvania 19401, and the Worcester Township Building, 1721 Valley Forge Road, Worcester, Pennsylvania 19490 where a copy of the proposed Ordinance may be obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof.

**JAMES J. GARRITY, ESQUIRE  
WISLER PEARLSTINE, LLP**

Solicitors for Worcester Township