

**AGENDA
LEBANON CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 2, 2020**

8. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

**8.A – ORDINANCE 2020-20 TO AMEND CITY CODE CHAPTER 68, FEES, §68-15,
ENUMERATION OF FEES TO AUTHORIZE AN
8% INCREASE TO THE WATER SERVICE RATE AND A
7.2% INCREASE TO THE SEWER SERVICE RATE**

A public hearing for the purpose of receiving public input and taking action on proposed Ordinance #2020-20 to amend City Code Chapter 68, Fees, Article III, Miscellaneous Fees, §68-15, Enumeration of Fees to authorize an 8% increase to the Water Service Rate and a 7.2% increase to the Sewer Service Rate.

The City Council scheduled this public hearing at their November 18, 2020 regular meeting. The public hearing was properly noticed in the *Valley News* on November 21, 2020 in accordance with City Code and State Law.

BACKGROUND

On May 15, 2019, the Council passed Ordinance #2019-06 which incorporated a new fee structure for water and sewer service rates that included a Base Charge by Meter Size, a Volumetric Tier for Single-Family Residential Properties, and removed the Minimum Charge.

An increase of 8.0% Water Service Rate (base user rate and minimum charge) and 7.2% Sewer Service Rate (base user rates, minimum charge and residential flat rate), effective January 1, 2021, is being requested. The proposed increases are in-line with projections offered by Raftelis as part of the 2018 Water and Sewer Rate Study and are suggested in order to provide current and future resources to absorb projected operation and maintenance and debt service expenses.

ACTION

If the Council decides to move forward, the following motion is offered for consideration:

MOVED, that the Lebanon City Council hereby adopts Ordinance #2020-20 to amend City Code Chapter 68, Fees, Section 68-15, Enumeration of Fees, to authorize an 8% increase to Water Service Rates and a 7.2% increase to Sewer Service Rates.

Included in this Section:

1. Ordinance #2020-20
2. Notice of Public Hearing as Published in the November 21, 2020 Edition of the *Valley News*

**CITY OF LEBANON
ORDINANCE #2020-20**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND the Code of the City of Lebanon, Chapter 68 FEES, Article III Miscellaneous Fees, Section 68-15 Enumeration of Fees, to increase water and sewer service rates.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, as follows:

Section 1

The Code of the City of Lebanon is hereby amended to revise Chapter 68 FEES, Article III Miscellaneous Fees, Section 68-15 Enumeration of Fees, for the purpose effecting changes to water and sewer rates:

B. Public utilities (water/sewer) fees shall be as follows:

§68-15 B(1) Water service rates:

§68-15 B(1)(a) Per 100 cubic feet:

- [1] Single-family residential: 0 to 1,200 cubic feet: \$3.49
- [2] Single-family residential: greater than 1,200 cubic feet: \$6.98
- [3] Non-residential and non-single-family residential: \$5.24

§68-15 B(1)(b) Fixed charge per quarter:

- [1] 5/8-inch: \$18.32
- [2] 3/4-inch: \$58.55
- [3] One-inch: \$87.06
- [4] 1.5-inch: \$153.10
- [5] Two-inch: \$253.59
- [6] Three-inch: \$652.72
- [7] Four-inch: \$2,629.90
- [8] Six-inch: \$4,829.10
- [9] Eight-inch: \$9,277.99

§68-15 B(7) Sewer service rates:

§68-15 B(7)(a) Fixed charge per quarter:

- [1] 5/8-inch: \$27.61
- [2] 3/4-inch: \$88.27
- [3] One-inch: \$131.26

- [4] 1.5-inch: \$230.83
- [5] Two-inch: \$382.36
- [6] Three-inch: \$984.15
- [7] Four-inch: \$3,818.73
- [8] Six-inch: \$7,281.21
- [9] Eight-inch: \$13,989.12

§68-15 B(7)(b) Per 100 cubic feet of metered water usage: \$10.43

§68-15 B(7)(c) Flat rate (limited to consumers who are not provided water service or a meter for computing flow):

- [1] Residential: \$340.65 per quarter.
- [2] Commercial: estimated flow to be computed by the Department of Public Works based on facility use and occupancy at the rate contained in Subsection **B(7)(b)** above.

§68-15 B(10) Town of Enfield Sewer Rental Rate

§68-15 B(10)(a) \$12.57 per 100 cubic feet.

§68-15 B(10)(b) New or expanded sewer users within the Town of Enfield are subject to the Sewer Development Charge at the same rate charged to sewer users within the City of Lebanon.

Section 3. Severability

The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable, and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or part thereof is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or part of this ordinance.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2021.