

ORDINANCE NO. 795

The City Council of the City of Fort Atkinson does hereby ordain as follows:

That Sec. 98-112. Definitions shall be amended as follows:

Domestic strength wastewater means wastewater with concentrations of BOD 5, suspended solids, phosphorus, and TKN of 250, 200, 6, and 40 milligrams per liter (mg/l) or parts per million (ppm) respectively.

Fixed rates means the portion of the budget costs that are partially or totally applicable to operation and maintenance that cannot be assigned to the flow or loading parameters.

Sewer service charge means a charge levied against users of the wastewater collection and treatment facilities and reflect the following areas: Fixed rates, operation and maintenance, replacement, annual cash funded capital outlay, and debt service costs, including any debt service reserves and debt coverage required.

That Sec. 98-361. – Policy shall be amended as follows:

It shall be the policy of the utility to obtain sufficient revenues to pay the costs of the debt retirement, including any debt service reserves and debt coverage required, annual cash funded capital outlay, and the operation and maintenance of the wastewater facilities, including replacement costs, through a system of sewer service charges as defined in this division. The system shall be based on a cost of service study that assures that each user of the wastewater facilities pays a proportionate share of the costs.

That Sec. 98-362. – Basis for service charge, Class A users shall be repealed.

That Sec. 98-363. – Replacement Account shall be amended as follows:

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A replacement account shall be established and maintained for purposes of financing the replacement of major pieces of existing plant equipment as they reach the end of their service life. Disbursements from this account may be made for the replacement of equipment. The annual amount of the fund shall be determined by the original cost of the equipment and its service life. The determination of the replacement fund amount shall be updated annually by the Wastewater Utility Supervisor.

That Section 98-364. – Methodology for establishing user charge shall be repealed and recreated as follows:

- A. Bi-monthly sewer service charges are hereby imposed and shall be paid by the owner or occupants of each lot, parcel of land, building or premises served by the wastewater treatment works or otherwise discharging wastewater (including industrial waste) into the wastewater treatment works. Those aspects of sewer service charges relating to operation, maintenance and replacement fund shall be determined in accord with any relevant and applicable requirements imposed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources or by federal law. The sewer service charges shall be paid as herein provided in an amount determined as follows:

- (1) A volumetric rate per hundred cubic feet of wastewater for domestic wastewater is hereby imposed to recover the component of total operation, maintenance, and capital costs of the sewer system which relates to sewage flow attributable to users of the system. The volumetric rate shall be based on the cost of treating flow, BOD, suspended solids, phosphorus, and TKN at the strength of domestic wastewater, as defined in Sec. 98-112. The volumetric charge for Class A, B, and D users shall be based upon the quantity of water used as measured by the water meter in use as shown in the records of the meter readings maintained by the water utility.
- (2) A fixed charge will be imposed to cover fixed rate costs, as defined in Sec. 98-112, and may also include a portion of the costs attributable to infiltration and inflow, as defined in Sec. 98-112. The fixed charge will be imposed as a flat fee per meter based on meter size.
- (3) Surcharges are hereby imposed on Class B and Class D users for the pounds of BOD, suspended solids, phosphorus, and TKN discharged by these users in excess of domestic strength waste. Surcharge rates shall be per pound of loadings and shall be determined based on the total cost to treat each constituent divided by the total pounds treated from all sources. Actual or estimated quantities as determined from wastewater sampling shall be used to determine surcharge loadings for Class B and Class D customers.
- (4) Wastewater contributions from users shall be reviewed at least biannually, and the sewer services charges shall be adjusted as required to recover actual costs.
- (5) Sewer service charge rates shall be established by resolution of the Common Council.

That Section 98-365. – Charges for Class C users, shall be amended as follows:

Charges for class C users will be based upon wastewater strength plus a fixed percentage to cover special cleanup, analysis, specific construction and administration costs. Either the discharger or the Wastewater Utility Supervisor may request a load to be tested, and the user charge determination shall be based upon that data. An additional laboratory fee will be assessed for these requests. All leachate must be tested, and the user charge determination will be based upon that data. In lieu of sampling, charges shall be based on those parameters listed in the following Table C:

TABLE C

Waste	BOD (ppm)	TSS (ppm)	TKN ppm	Admin. Charge %	Min. Bill
Septage	2,500	5,000	400	10	\$5.00
Holding:					\$5.00
Commercial	800	1,000	140	25	
Residential	650	800	140	20	
Campers (less than 30 gallons)					\$5.00
Leachate	Must be sampled				
Portable Toilets	7,800	5,700	4,200	10	

That Division 10. – User Charge Calculations shall be repealed.

That Division 11. – Allocation of Operational and Maintenance Costs shall be repealed.

That Division 12. – Allocation of Fixed and Industrial Monitoring Costs shall be repealed.

That Division 13. – Annual Process Equipment Replacement shall be repealed.

That Division 14. – Disbursement of Facilities Costs Among Users shall be repealed.

That Division 15. – Map of City—Water Outside of Sewerage System shall be repealed.