

BOROUGH OF WEST NEWTON  
WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NUMBER - 1992- 5

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1974, 11, AS AMENDED,  
ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WEST NEWTON  
ESTABLISHING RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR THE FURNISHING OF SEWER  
SERVICE BY THE SEWER SYSTEM TO CUSTOMERS IN THE BOROUGH",  
BY PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN SEWER RATES

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Town Council of the Borough of West Newton, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1: "Schedule A" of Ordinance 1974-11 is hereby amended to read:

SCHEDULE A

The sewer service rates and charges charged by the Borough of West Newton for sanitary sewage collection, transportation and treatment service furnished by the Sewer System shall be as follows:

A. Residential Establishments, (Flat Rate)

Each Private Dwelling (Equivalent Dwelling Unit) \$12.85 per month. Each dwelling unit with a house, in a double house, in a row of connecting houses, or in an apartment building shall be billed as a separate entity. Any room, group of room, house trailer, enclosure, etc., occupied or intended for occupancy as separate living quarters by a family or other group of persons living together or by persons living alone, shall be classified as an equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) for sewer rental purposes.

B. Non-Residential Establishments (Water Usage Rate)

(Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, Public, Churches, Schools, Institution, etc.)

1. All owners of non-residential property served by the Sewer System shall pay sewer service charges based upon actual water consumption except as hereinafter noted. Sewer service charges based upon water consumption shall be billed at the flat rate of \$12.85 for an initial 9,000 gallons of water consumed and \$1.50 per

thousand gallons consumed above the minimum during each month or quarter for which the billing is rendered, however, that no sewer service charge billing rendered to a non-residential establishment shall be less than \$12.85 per month or \$38.55 per quarter.

2. A non-residential unit shall be defined as any office, store, shop, motel, hotel, restaurant, barber shop, beauty shop, service station, or other establishment selling a product or rendering a service, and any religious, fraternal or governmental establishment, including schools, and any industrial establishment. Each non-residential unit in a house or building or complex of buildings shall be billed as a separate entity, even though located in a house with one or more residential units which are also being billed.

3. The volume of water to be used for billing non-residential sewer service charges shall include any and all water purchased from public/or private water companies and all water obtained from other sources (well, spring, streams, etc.) as determined by meters installed and maintained by public or private water companies: by meters installed and maintained by the Borough; by meters installed by the property owner as may be required and approved by the Borough; or by estimates or measurements made by the Borough where the Borough deems metering impractical.

4. Exclusion from the Sewer System of non-contaminated wastewaters and waters used solely for cooling purposes may be required by the Borough, or such exclusion may be optional with the property owner if not required by the Borough. When such wastewaters are excluded or when any significant portion of water consumed does not reach the Sewer System, sewer service charges shall be based upon total water consumption less waters excluded or not discharged to the Sewer System at the rate set forth under Sub-Section 1 above. Water excluded or not discharged to the Sewer System may be determined from meters installed and maintained by the property owner, as required and approved by the Borough, or by estimates or measurements made by the Borough where the Borough deems metering impractical.

C. Initial Charges

Each Residential Dwelling Unit and each Non-Residential Unit, as defined above, shall in addition to the monthly sewer rates set forth above also pay an Initial Charge of \$750.00 per Unit. This Initial Charge shall be billed and collected as soon as substantial completion of the Sewer System shall have been accomplished and initial operation shall have begun.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 1992.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED THIS 13th DAY OF July, 1992

Armond N. Luzzi  
President of Council

ATTEST:

Donald M. Hedma  
Secretary

EXAMINED AND APPROVED by me this 13th day of July, 1992

George J. Thurnsky  
Mayor