WATER AND SEWER RATES FY16/17

The following fees are hereby established by the Board of Aldermen:

Essential Water and Sewer Fees							
Meter Size	Water Tap Fee	Water Utility System Impact Fee	Sewer Tap Size	Sewer Tap Fee	Sewer Utility System Impact Fee	Water Fixed Monthly System Maintenance Charge	Sewer Fixed Monthly System Maintenance Charge
3/4" x 5/8"	The greater of $550 or Actual Cost + 15%	$2,400	4"	The greater of $1,000 or Actual Cost + 15%	$2,500	$16	$25
1"	The greater of $700 or Actual Cost + 15%	2,400	4"	The greater of $1,000 or Actual Cost + 15%	2,500	16	25
1-1/2"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	8,240	4"	The greater of $1,000 or Actual Cost + 15%	2,500	54	93
2"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	14,645	6"	The greater of $1,000 or Actual Cost + 15%	4,500	127	195
3"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	30,205	6"	The greater of $1,000 or Actual Cost + 15%	4,500	210	325

Essential Water and Sewer Fees - Continued							
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4"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	50,345	8"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	25,635	450	729
6"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	146,460	8"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	25,635	739	1,162
Non-Essential Water Fees							
Meter Size	Water Tap Fee	Water System Impact Fee	Sewer Tap Size	Sewer Tap Fee	Sewer System Impact Fee	Water Fixed Monthly System Maintenance Charge	Sewer Fixed Monthly System Maintenance Charge
3/4" x 5/8"	The greater of $550 or Actual Cost + 15%	$2,400	N/A	N/A	N/A	16	N/A
1"	The greater of $700 or Actual Cost + 15%	2,400	N/A	N/A	N/A	16	N/A
1-1/2"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	8,240	N/A	N/A	N/A	54	N/A
2"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	14,645	N/A	N/A	N/A	127	N/A

Areas within the municipal boundaries of the town which lie west of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway are provided wastewater collection and treatment service through a system owned and operated by Cape Fear Public Utility Authority. In these areas the following fees shall apply, and are hereby established by the Board of Aldermen:

Essential Water and Sewer Fees - Continued							
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Essential Water Fees - Mainland						
Meter Size	**Water Tap Fee**	**Sewer Tap Size**	Sewer Tap Fee	Water Utility System Impact Fee	Water Fixed Monthly System Maintenance Charge	Sewer Fixed Monthly System Maintenance Charge
3/4" x 5/8"	The greater of $550 or Actual Cost + 15%	N/A	N/A	$2,400	$16	N/A
1"	The greater of $700 or Actual Cost + 15%	N/A	N/A	2,400	16	N/A
1-1/2"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	N/A	N/A	8,240	54	N/A
2"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	N/A	N/A	14,645	127	N/A
3"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	N/A	N/A	30,205	210	N/A
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1"	The greater of $700 or Actual Cost + 15%	N/A	N/A	2,400	16	N/A
1-1/2"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	N/A	N/A	8,240	54	N/A
2"	The greater of $2,200 or Actual Cost + 15%	N/A	N/A	14,645	127	N/A

A utility system impact fee for water taps for piers and irrigation systems which shall not be connected to the town's wastewater system shall be charged as specified in this fee schedule.

In order to equitably distribute the cost of water and sewer service among all residents, it is the policy of the town to charge system maintenance charges for water and sewer service to customers who temporarily discontinue water and sewer service. Therefore, fees shall be charged as follows in the event water and sewer service is discontinued at the request of a customer:

Water and sewer during the entire time service is discontinued shall be charged fees only as specified in this fee schedule.

Customers who do not pay the system maintenance charges for water and sewer during any time service is discontinued shall be charged a disconnect fee as specified in this fee schedule. Such customers shall also pay the then existing Utility System Impact Fee at the time service is restored.

Water and Sewer Usage Charges

Water - Essential	$1.52 per 100 cubic feet
Water - Non- essential	$2.65 per 100 cubic feet (0-4,000 cubic feet)
	$3.20 per 100 cubic feet (>4,000-10,000 cubic feet)
	$5.00 per 100 cubic feet (>10,000 cubic feet)
Sewer	$2.65 per 100 cubic feet
Jetting pilings	$25.00 per piling
Bulk water	$2.40 per 100 cubic feet with a minimum $25 charge

Water usage charges for customers outside the town limits shall be double the charges set forth above.

Billing charges shall be based on metered water usage at the established water rate, sewer usage (based on 100% of water use) at the established rate, water system maintenance charge and sewer system maintenance charge.

Special charges:

(a) Meter testing - $25 if meter is found to be within AWWA standards.
(b) Water cut on/off - $30 each during working hours.
(c) Water cut on/off - $50 each after hours, weekends, holidays.
(d) Read meter request (except for property changes - $10 each.
(e) Late Fee is 10% of the bill after 30 days

Tap fees (based upon meter, or user, connection size) shall include actual construction costs, permitting costs and engineering costs plus a 15% additional charge. However, for taps 2" and larger, water or sewer, owner/developer may choose to have the tap(s) installed privately only if such work meets the requirements and specifications of the town and other agencies as may be involved.

Minimum commercial sewer tap size in 6".

Tap upgrade installations shall be the actual cost of the change plus the difference between impact fees.

Tap installation planning cycle: The town requires a minimum of three weeks from the receipt of an order for installation until completion. However, for taps that may involve engineering, permitting or other agencies, the time to completion may be considerably longer.

All persons, firms, or corporations which construct buildings for which building permits are issued after July 1, 2009, and such buildings are sprinkled or contain standpipe systems where sprinkler or standpipe systems are connected to the utility system shall not be charged a utility system impact fee.

All new construction and renovations of existing buildings in excess of 50% of the building's physical value shall be required to install taps and meters of the size required by the town in accordance with this fee schedule.

Utility system impact fees as set forth in division (C) of this section will be charged for all new structures connecting to the utility system for which building permits are issued after December 16, 1986. Structures, the use of which is modified after December 16, 1986 so that a larger water tap is required, will be charged the tap fees for the larger water and sewer taps plus the difference between the utility system impact fee for the existing water tap size and the impact fee for the larger tap size required for the new use.

In instances where owners of existing buildings or the town install a larger tap and meter size to meet current town standards and the installation of such larger tap and meter size is not the result of a change in use or expansion in use, there will be no charge made for the utility system impact fee or tap fees.

When an existing building is replaced with a new building on the same lot (and such lot is directly served by an existing water and sewer tap) and there is no change in use or expansion of use which requires a larger tap or meter size, there will be no charge made for the utility system impact fee or tap fees.

All persons, firms, or corporations which construct buildings for which building permits are issued after December 16, 1986, and such buildings are sprinkled or contain standpipe systems where sprinkler or standpipe systems are not otherwise required by the North Carolina State Building Code, shall receive credit for the actual cost of the sprinkler and/or standpipe system up to 25% of the utility system impact fee, but in no case shall the credit be less than $1,500.