

TOWN OF SCHODACK

WATER AND SEWER

ASSESSMENT ROLL and OPERATION &
MAINTENANCE RATES
PUBLIC HEARINGS
October 26, 2023
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Water Districts

● Sale of Water:

- Commercial Water Sales – Remains at \$.01/gallon or \$10.00/1000 gallons (Res 23-290)
- Sale of Water from Clearview Supply to Maple Crest District #3 (Res 23-291)
 - 2023 Rate of \$6.90/1000 gallons will stay the same for 2023 which represents the cost per gallon to provide water to the Maple Crest District from the Clearview Supply adjusted for expected higher costs.
- Sale of Water from EW Supply to Consolidated District 101 – Remains at \$2.00/1000 gallons. (Res 23-292)

Water Districts

● O&M rate: (Res 23-293)

- Clearview Dist #1 – Minimum rate will remain at \$60.00/qtr for 18,000 gallons; \$4.00/1000 gallons thereafter to help cover the necessary repairs to the district not absorbed by fund balance.

● Capital rate: (Res 23-294)

<u>District</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Incr/(Decr)</u>	<u>% Incr/(Decr)</u>
Clearview District #1	\$126.05	\$37.68	(\$88.37)	(70.11)%

Water Districts

● O&M rate: (Res 23-295)

- Maple Crest Dist #3 – Minimum rate will remain at \$80.00/qtr. for 18,000 gallons; \$4.00/1000 gallons thereafter to help cover the increased costs in the Clearview Water Supply.

● Capital rate: (Res 23-296)

<u>District</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Incr/(Decr)</u>	<u>% Incr/(Decr)</u>
Maple Crest District #3	\$531.12	\$522.97	(\$8.16)	(1.54)%

Water Districts

● O&M rates: (Res 23-297)

- Consolidated Water Dist 101 – Minimum remains at 45.00/qtr for 18,000 gallons; \$3.00/1000 gallons thereafter.
- Out of District Consolidated 101 Rate – Minimum will be increase by \$5 to \$115.00/qtr. This rate includes a component for both O&M (\$45.00) and Capital (\$70.00) costs. Overage charges remain at \$3.00/1000 gallons.

Water Districts

● Capital rates: (Res 23-298 through 23-301)

<u>District</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Inc/(Dec)</u>	<u>% Inc/(Dec)</u>
Consolidated Dist #101	\$270.00	\$265.29	(\$ 4.72)	(1.75%)
Inglewood Dist #2a (incl Consol)	\$520.63	545.68	\$25.05	4.81%
Schodack Ctr Dist #8 (Incl Consol)	\$468.66	\$466.08	(\$ 2.80)	(0.60%)
Route 20 Dist #9 (Incl Consol)	\$431.27	\$425.04	(\$ 6.23)	(1.44%)

SEWER DISTRICTS

- District purchasing service from the Town of East Greenbush:
 - Sewer District #6 – Exit 10
- Districts with their own treatment sites:
 - Sewer District #5 – East Schodack
 - Sewer District #8 – Schodack Landing
- Districts purchasing service from the Village of Castleton:
 - Consolidated Sewer District #1 –
 - Formerly Sewer District #1 Castleton
 - Formerly Sewer District #2 – Castleridge
 - Formerly Sewer District #4 – Brickyard
 - Formerly Sewer District #7 – Hamilton Printing

Sewer Districts

● O&M rate: (Res 23-302)

- Exit 10-Sewer District #6 – 2022 rate will remain at \$7.50/1000 gallons of water consumption. The district fund balance includes a \$38k repair reserve. Annual evaluation of fund balance will determine future rate adjustments to address the aging of the 6 lift stations that the district maintains as well as increases in sewer costs from East Greenbush. Large commercial water usage has helped this District.

● Capital rate:

- Currently no Debt Service.

Sewer Districts

○ & M Rate: (Res 23-303)

- **East Schodack Dist #5** — rate will remain at \$450.00 Semi-Annually. This district services only 29 users. Because of conservative budgeting, the district maintains a fund balance that can absorb small increases in costs so as to not have to increase the rate for 2024. The district has been granted ARPA Funds by the Town Board to subsidize disinfection requirements imposed by DEC.

● Capital rate: (Res 23-304 & Res 23-305)

<u>District</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Incr/(Decr)</u>	<u>% Incr/(Decr)</u>
East Schodack District #5	\$421.32	426.83	\$ 5.51	1.31%

Sewer Districts

● O&M rate: (Res 22-313)

- Schodack Landing Sewer Dist #8 – 2023 rate will remain at \$225.00 Semi-Annually. This district may see future increases in the rate due to DEC Regulations and upgrades to its disinfection system but for now maintains sufficient fund balance to absorb costs.
- **Capital rate:** (Res 23-306)

<u>District</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Incr/(Decr)</u>	<u>% Incr/(Decr)</u>
Schodack Landing Sewer Dist #8	\$475.62	\$482.08	\$ 6.46	1.39%

Sewer Districts

● O&M rates: (Res 23-307)

- Consolidated Sewer District #1 – 2023 rate will remain at \$210.00 Semi-Annually, although a capital component has been added to its structure.

• Capital rate: (Res 23-308)

- Per the IMA the district must pay its portion of the Village of Castleton's annual debt service.

<u>District</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Incr/(Decr)</u>	<u>% Incr/(Decr)</u>
Schodack Consol Sewer Dist #1	\$276.39	\$279.72	Based on Assessed Value – \$200,000 AV \$ 3.33	1.20%

October 25, 2022 Water & Sewer Public Hearings Presentation

Water/Sewer Summary

- Funding for the establishment, upgrade and expansion of water and sewer systems has become the responsibility of the districts. Previously, water and sewer services were provided at a relatively low cost due to less stringent treatment and disinfection requirements and Federal and State subsidization of capital costs that has been virtually eliminated over the past 30 years.
- With the relatively low number of members and users in Town districts, emergency expenses tend to impact rates significantly.
- Annual debt service must be allocated to those properties that are considered to benefit from the availability of infrastructure. The Town's current Equivalent Dwelling Unit methodology equitably allocates annual debt service.
- The Town's Water/Sewer Manager and Operators remain diligent in performing necessary district maintenance and repairs in the most efficient and cost-effective manner.
- The Comptroller's Office analysis includes detailed reviews of previous, current and expected expense trends while reviewing available district funds to manage and smooth rates from year to year.

Water/Sewer Summary

- What can you do to control rates?
 - Remit timely payments
 - Avoid penalties
 - Avoid District Interfund Loans-cash availability
 - Conserve water
 - Turn off water when brushing teeth/washing dishes
 - Limit Shower times
 - Wash full loads
 - Repair and Report leaks
 - Sewer Disposal
 - As a general rule, nothing should be disposed of into any wastewater system that hasn't first been ingested, other than toilet tissue, mild detergents and wash water. (List available).