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MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHEL

December 5, 2023
6:50 p.m.

CJH Municipal Center - Meeting Room A

PRESENT: First Selectman Dan Carter and Selectman Richard Straiton, and Town Counsel Martin Lawlor. Selectman Bryan Terzian attended via Zoom. Public Utilities Director for the Town of Bethel, Tom Villa, was in attendance in-person.

First Selectman Dan Carter opened the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m. and gave an overview of suggested changes to the proposed changes in water rates.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE TOWN OF BETHEL, CT BOARD OF SELECTMEN PROPOSED CHANGES/INCREASES TO WATER FEES

The Bethel Board of Selectmen, as recommended and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of the Town of Bethel, Connecticut, pursuant to the provisions of § 7-239 of the Connecticut General Statutes, will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 6:50 p.m. in Meeting Room A, in the Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, 1 School St., Bethel, Connecticut, for the purpose of receiving public comments with respect to proposed changes/increases in Town of Bethel water rates. At such hearing, the public and owners of all properties served, may have an opportunity to be heard thereon. The proposed changes/increases to the water rates are as written below. A copy of the proposed changes/increases to the water rates are also filed in the Office of the Bethel Town Clerk and in the Office of the First Selectman, 1 School St., C. J. Hurgin Municipal Center, Bethel, CT and posted on the Town of Bethel's website, to which reference may be had. Dated at Bethel Connecticut, November 21, 2023.

	Current	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
Annual Percentage Increase						
Minimum Charge		8.50%	8.50%	8.50%	8.50%	8.50%
Volumetric Charge		8.50%	8.50%	8.50%	8.50%	8.50%
Minimum Charge (incl 6,000 gal per quarter)						
5/8"	42.69	46.32	50.26	54.53	59.16	64.19
3/4"	64.00	69.44	75.34	81.75	88.69	96.23
1"	127.98	138.86	150.66	163.47	177.36	192.44
1 1/4"	191.94	208.25	225.96	245.16	266.00	288.61
1 1/2"	255.93	277.68	301.29	326.90	354.68	384.83
2"	479.82	520.60	564.86	612.87	664.96	721.48

3"	959.63	1,041.20	1,129.70	1,225.72	1,329.91	1,442.95
4"	1,279.50	1,388.26	1,506.26	1,634.29	1,773.21	1,923.93
Volumetric Rate (per 1,000 Gal in excess of 6,000)	8.85	9.60	10.42	11.30	12.26	13.31

BETHEL BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Daniel E. Carter, First Selectman

Bryan N. Terzian, Selectman

Richard C. Straiton, Selectman

During the Public Comments, the Town of Bethel's Public Utilities Director, Tom Villa, gave an overview of proposed rates, capital projects, etc.

Public Comments:

Matt Knickerbocker 10 Colonial Drive (spoke several times)
 Emely Abel-Tatis 8 Oaktree Court
 Cynthia McCorkindale 19 Elgin Avenue
 Jan de Bakker 7 Pleasant Street (spoke twice)
 Tim Beeble 63 Grassy Plain Street (spoke twice)
 Bill O'Halloran 60 Great Hill Drive
 James Keene 1 Fairchild Drive (spoke twice)
 Brad Koltz 1 Fairchild Drive (spoke several times)
 Patrick Perrefort 50 Wooster Street
 Gabriela Hernandez 114 Knollwood Drive
 Nancy Ryan 25 Walnut Hill Road
 Billy Michael 27.5 Fleetwood Avenue

First Selectman Carter closed the Public Hearing at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Churchill
 Recording Secretary