

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Wolcottville, Indiana, on the 1st day of December, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. shall hold a public hearing at Wolcott Mills Elementary School, 108 East Myers Street, Wolcottville, Indiana 46795, at which time and place the users of the sewage works, owners of property served or to be served by the works, and other interested persons may be heard concerning proposed fees for the sewage works system of the Town of Wolcottville. An Ordinance has been introduced amending the rates and charges beginning January 1, 2010, for the services rendered by the sewage works system of the Town of Wolcottville. Relevant portions of the Ordinance establishing the rates and charges are as follows:

Section 2. The following debt service charge for treatment of plant improvements and for the cost of construction of new extensions of the sewage lines to owners of each and every lot, parcel of real estate, or building located in the various service areas served or to be served by the Town of Wolcottville's sanitary sewer system are hereby established:

- a. The monthly debt service charge in the Phase I Service Area shall be \$29.30;
- b. The monthly debt service charge in the Phase II Service Area shall be \$52.05;
- c. The monthly debt service charge in the New Town Service Area shall be \$23.50;
- d. The owner of any building which connects to the sewage works after the effective date of this ordinance shall, prior to being permitted to make such connection, pay a connection fee in the amount of \$200 for the property to be served by said connection. The Council now finds that such connection fee is a reasonable and equitable pro rata cost for providing sewer availability to the property owners of the Phase I, Phase II, and New Town Service Areas; and
- e. The cost of all sewer construction on private property; i.e., house sewer, will be borne by the property owner.
- f. This schedule of debt service charges shall supersede all previous operating charges.

Section 3. The following operating rates are hereby established for all property owners of property located in all service areas of the sewage works to defray the cost of improvements to the existing sewage plant, and operation and maintenance of the existing sewage plant:

- a. For properties with metered water usage served by the Wolcottville water utility, the monthly operating surcharge shall be based upon the quantity of water used on or in the property or premises subject to such rates and charges. The schedule of operating rates is as follows:

<u>Metered Water Usage</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
First 2,000 gallons	\$ 7.04
Next 5,000 gallons	3.60
Next 8,000 gallons	3.00
Next 25,000 gallons	2.52
Next 60,000 gallons	2.04
Over 100,000 gallons	1.56
 Minimum monthly charge	 14.07

- b. For any property located outside the incorporated boundary of the Town of Wolcottville which does not have metered water service, there shall be a flat rate of \$46.89 per month, and for any property located within the incorporated boundary of the Town of Wolcottville which does not have metered water service, there shall be a flat rate of \$20.95 per month; and
- c. This schedule of operating rates shall supersede all previous operating charges.

This amended rate is in addition to all other fees currently charged according to ordinance for services provided or to be provided by the Wolcottville sewage works system, including any debt service charge or connection fees. Definitions and descriptions of Phase I, Phase II, and New Town Service Areas are defined in Ordinance 2003-10-1 adopted by the Town Council on October 23, 2003, a copy of which is available for inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk-Treasurer.

At such hearing, which may be adjourned from time to time, the Town Council, after considering all testimony, shall take final action on the introduced Ordinance establishing said rates and charges for the services rendered by the sewage works system of the Town of Wolcottville.

Dated this 10 day of November, 2009.

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
WOLCOTTVILLE, INDIANA

By: Jeanette Combs, Clerk-Treasurer

NOTE: Please publish this notice in the *LaGrange Standard* or the *LaGrange News* and *The News-Sun* one time in each newspaper at least ten (10) days prior to December 1, 2009, and post at Wolcott Mills Elementary School and send by mail to all users outside the Town and vacant lot owners who will be charged a rate.