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TOWN OF WEST BOYLSTON BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS POLICY

Policy on Sewer Use Charge Policy For Properties With A Second Water Meter

Purpose: The Town of West Boylston needs to define a policy on sewer use charges for properties with a second water meter.

Background: The sewer use bill is predicated upon metered water consumption for those properties receiving water from the West Boylston Water District. Some residential property owners use domestic water for lawn or garden irrigation or for swimming pools. Commercial, residential, and industrial properties are charged a sewer rate based upon one hundred percent (100%) of the metered water use.

As of the date of the policy, domestic water is provided by the West Boylston Water District to most properties within the community. It is the responsibility of the West Boylston Water District to provide water meters to properties served by the water distribution system, and residents must comply with the regulations and requirements of the West Boylston Water District relative to multiple water meters, if any.

The Town of West Boylston Water District may supply at the owners expense, second meters for properties that use water from the water district's water distribution system for lawn or garden irrigation or for swimming pools. The Water District will install a first meter or water meter measuring all water usage, and may supply, at the property owner's request (and expense) in conformity with the rules and regulations of the West Boylston Water District, a second meter or sewer meter. Water for domestic use will pass through the first (water) meter and all domestic plumbing lines will divert water for domestic or potable use before the water passes to the second (sewer) meter. Water for lawn or garden irrigation or for swimming pools will be drawn from the properties water service line through appurtenances of the domestic water system, after passing through the second (sewer) meter.

Policy: Residential properties that receive a second (sewer) meter from the West

Boylston Water District for irrigation or pool recharge purposes will be charged the residential sewer use rate (Tier 1) for one hundred percent (100%) of the water usage for domestic purposes, or for one hundred percent (100%) of the difference between the volume of water metered by the first (water) meter reduced by the volume of water metered by second (sewer) meter. Commercial and industrial properties that receive a second (sewer) meter from the West Boylston Water District will be charged the non-residential sewer use rates for one hundred percent (100%) of the water usage for domestic purposes, or for one hundred percent (100%) of the difference between the volume of water metered by the first (water) meter reduced by the volume of water metered by second (sewer) meter.

The Town of West Boylston reserves the right to inspect the property, and should it be ascertained that water metered for irrigation or pool recharge purposes (non-domestic water) is being discharged into the sanitary sewer system will result in the discontinuance of billing off the second (sewer) meter, and will result in billing at one hundred percent(100%) of the total water usage in conformity with the Sewer Use Rate And Fee Schedule.

Use of a second (sewer) meter as the basis for a sewer use bill for properties is a privilege, not a right, and as such, the Town of West Boylston reserves the right to discontinue billing sewer use from a second (sewer) meter.