



Berkeley Township MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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A Public Hearing of the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority at 42 Station Road, Bayville, NJ 08721. Presided by Chairman Hale-present, Mr. Bollettieri-absent, Mr. Elliott-absent, Mr. Cammarato-absent, Ms. Pellecchia-present, Mr. McGrath-absent, Mr. Bekiarian-present.

Also present: Mayor Bacchione, Mr. Tirella-Business Administrator, Mr. Budesa-Attorney, Mr. Chiaravalle-Engineer, Ms. Binder-Engineer, Mr. Jensen-Accountant and Mrs. Nugent-Executive Director.

This public hearing was advertised in the Asbury Park Press and the Star Ledger on October 3, 2024 to allow for public comment on the Authority's proposed 2025 rate schedule.

After the salute to the flag, Ms. Del Conte read the Open Public Meeting Statement.

Mr. Hale stated there are no members of the general public in attendance.

Mr. Bollettieri and Mr. McGrath arrived at the public hearing at 6:04 pm.

Mrs. Nugent summarized the Authority's 2023 financial statement.

Mrs. Nugent provided an overview of the Authority's proposed 2025 rate schedule.

Beginning January 1, 2025 residential, commercial, and industrial water rates will be revised to, as follows:

Flat quarterly fees based on meter size will be:

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| 5/8" meter | \$57.00 per quarter |
| 3/4" meter | \$88.00 per quarter |
| 1" meter | \$150.00 per quarter |
| 1 1/2" meter | \$304.00 per quarter |
| 2" meter | \$490.00 per quarter |
| 3" meter | \$922.00 per quarter |
| 4" meter | \$1,540.00 per quarter |
| 6" meter | \$3,085.00 per quarter |

Usage will be billed on a per quarter basis based on the below tiered schedule:

- \$3.76 per 1,000 gallons for first 10,000 gallons
- \$4.25 per 1,000 gallons for 10,001-50,000 gallons
- \$4.75 per 1,000 gallons for 50,001 and above

Motion to open the public portion: Mr. Bollettieri, second Ms. Pellecchia. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

Mr. Tirella questioned when the Authority had its last rate increase. Mrs. Nugent replied the Authority has never had a rate increase since the inception of the Authority in 1979. Mrs. Nugent added there was a five dollar decrease in the quarterly fee in 1999.

Motion to close the public portion: Mr. Bollettieri, second Ms. Pellecchia. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

Motion to authorize the adoption of the proposed 2025 rate schedule, effective January 1, 2025: Mr. Bollettieri, second Ms. Pellecchia. All in favor. Roll Call. Mr. Bollettieri-yes, Ms. Pellecchia-yes, Mr. McGrath-yes, Mr. Bekiarian-yes, Mr. Hale-yes. Motion Carried.

Motion to adjourn the Public Hearing: Mr. Bollettieri, second Ms. Pellecchia. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sandra Walker
Office Clerk