

ORDINANCE 2-2016

Introduced by: English

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF TRAPPE TO AMEND SECTION 14 OF THE TRAPPE TOWN CODE TITLED “WATER AND SEWER”, TABLE 1 TITLED “FEES AND CHARGES” TO INCREASE THE BASIC MONTHLY WATER SERVICE FEE, THE BASIC MONTHLY SEWER FEE, THE MONTHLY WATER USAGE RATE, AND THE MONTHLY SEWER USAGE RATE BY TWO PERCENT (2%)

WHEREAS, Md. Code Ann. Environmental Article § 9-705 and the Trappe Town Charter § 707 authorize the Town to construct, operate, modify and maintain a water and sewerage system; and

WHEREAS, Md. Code Ann. Environmental Article § 9-723 through 9-726 and the Trappe Town Charter § 718 authorize the Town to establish rates, fees and charges for municipal water and sewer services; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 05-2015, the Council of Trappe adopted water and sewer rates, which are set forth in Chapter 14 of the Trappe Town Code, titled “Water and Sewer”, in Table 1 of said Chapter, titled “Fees and Charges”; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Trappe has determined that it is necessary and in the public interest to amend Table 1 of Chapter 14, to increase the water and sewer rates by two percent (2%), to enable the Town to meet its operation, maintenance and debt service obligations associated with the Town’s water and sewer system; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2016 the Council of Trappe conducted a public hearing on this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, after advertised public hearing, the Council of Trappe has determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to increase the water and sewer rates by two percent (2%) as more fully set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Trappe hereby ordains as follows:

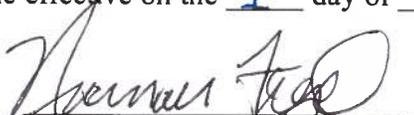
Section 1. Chapter 14 of the Trappe Town Code titled “Water and Sewer”, Table 1, titled “Fees and Charges” is amended as follows. The Monthly Fees set forth Table 1 are hereby amended to reflect a two percent (2%) increase in the Basic Water Service Fee, the Basic Sewer Service Fee, the Monthly Water Usage Rate and the Monthly Sewer

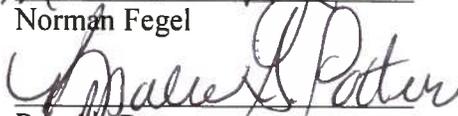
Usage Rate. Unless specifically amended below, all other Fees and Charges Set forth in Table 1 shall remain unchanged:

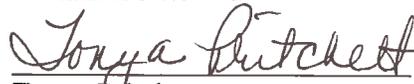
Monthly Fees:	
Basic Water Service Fee	10.89 \$11.11 per metered connection, or per residential dwelling unit or multiple non-residential user served by a master meter
Basic Sewer Service Fee	\$25.41 \$25.92 per metered connection, or per residential dwelling unit or multiple non-residential user served by a master meter
Monthly Water Usage Rate	\$3.52 \$3.59 (per thousand gallons)
Monthly Sewer Usage Rate	\$8.23 \$8.39 (per thousand gallons)

Section 2. For each year subsequent to FY 2017, in order to ensure that sufficient revenues are charged to cover expenses associated with the operations of the municipal water and sewer system, the Council anticipates an annual rate increase of two percent (2%) per year, which would go into effect upon the adoption of an Ordinance after a duly advertised public hearing.

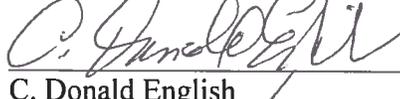
This Ordinance shall become effective on the 1st day of July, 2016.


 Norman Fegel


 Rosalee Potter


 Tonya Rutchett

absent
 Robert Diefenderfer, Jr.


 C. Donald English

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance Number 02-2016 of the Town of Trappe was duly read and enacted in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Charter of the Town of Trappe.

Attest: Erin Braband
Erin Braband, Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Trappe

