

VILLAGE OF MAZON
WATER/SEWER COMMITTEE MINUTES
APRIL 14, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roland Tondini at 5:30 pm on April 14, 2025.

Present: J. Marques, M. Murphy, R. Tondini, K. Webster

Absent: D. Misener, D. Punke

The meeting was to discuss and review the water and sewer rate analysis.

M. Murphy presented the 2024 water and sewer rate analysis. Last year the water account realized a loss of \$63,474.03. Our current rates charged are not sufficient to cover the cost of producing water. The water rate was not increased last year. The cost of utilities, chemicals, testing, and repairs have all increased. In 2024, the base rate charge per gallon of water is .0101, we collected .0066 per gallon of water.

Additionally, a large portion of our water/sewer customers do not pay their bill on time. This adds additional expenses/time to produce and distribute delinquent notices and red tags. On average 30% of bills are not paid by the due date. As of right now, the village has a \$100.00 turn on fee if a customer is disconnected. A suggested additional fee would be a \$50.00 charge to those who receive a red tag.

After reviewing the water rates, expenses, and income of the water account, the committee recommends a 6% increase in the water rates and adding a \$50.00 red tag fee.

The sewer analysis for 2024 was reviewed. There were excessive expenses in sewer in 2024 due to the sewer pond project that was completed. The sewer account netted \$64,235.08 in 2024 even with the added expense. Analysis shows that the current sewer rate covers all current expenses.

After reviewing the sewer rates, expenses, and income, the committee recommends that we do not increase the sewer rates at this time.

K. Webster made a motion to adjourn at 5:49 pm. The motion was seconded by R. Tondini. Roll was taken. K. Webster-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes, J. Marques-Yes. Motion carried.