

RESOLUTION NO. 58-03

RUSTLEWOOD WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MASON COUNTY REVISING CONNECTION CHARGES AND OTHER FEES; PROVIDING FOR BILLING AND PENALTIES FOR NON-PAYMENT.

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ARTICLE I

BE IT RESOLVED BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

SECTION 1.01 PERMIT AND FEES:

At the time of application for a building permit, or if an applicant wishes to connect to the water system, the applicant shall apply for a water connection permit and shall pay to the county a permit fee as set forth below together with connection charges and/or other charges, if any, required by this Resolution. If the building permit is not issued, the permit fee and connection charges shall be refunded. Permit fees shall be as follows:

FOR EACH WATER SYSTEM CONNECTION MADE TO THE SYSTEM SERVICE LINE, AT THE PROPERTY BOUNDARY LINE:

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
WATER	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000
SEWER	\$5000	\$5000	\$5000	\$5000	\$5000

(The sewer connection fee begins at \$5000 on July 1, 2003).

- a) All structure, service lines and water connection lines shall be inspected by Mason County Department of Utilities/Waste Management personnel before the work is back-filled.
- b) A full way water valve controlling all outlets shall be installed by the owner at the structure service line and be readily accessible to Mason County and the owner.
- c) All service connections to the system shall be connected with a 3/4" valve which shall be provided by Mason County.
- d) All service connections to the system shall comply with all components of the cross connection control plan.

SECTION 1.02 WATER FEES:

Water services shall be charged by the county on a monthly water rate billing as follows:

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Single Family Dwelling	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Lot-Without Dwelling	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00

THERE WILL BE NO CREDITS TOWARDS CONNECTION TO THE SYSTEM

SECTION 1.03 SURCHARGES:

When a connection serves more than one single family structure, house, duplex, apartment, or mobile home, in addition to the first service connection, a surcharge of \$20.00 (2003), \$20.00 (2004), \$20.00 (2005), \$20.00 (2006), \$20.00 (2007) per month shall be added to the billing for each additional unit.

SECTION 1.04 SEWER FEES: Sewer Services shall be charged by the County as follows (the \$48.50 begins on July 1, 2003)(The fees established for 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007 begin on January 1 of each applicable year):

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Single-Family Dwelling	\$48.50	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$70.00
Lot-without Dwelling	\$13.50	\$13.50	\$13.50	\$13.50	\$13.50
Multiple Dwellings	\$48.50	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$70.00

(each unit shall pay the monthly figures shown)

ARTICLE II

SECTION 2.01 BILLING-CHARGES DUE:

Billings shall be mailed prior to the 10th day of every month. Water and sewer charges shall be due and payable the first day of the next monthly billing period.

SECTION 2.02 DELINQUENT CHARGES AND LIENS:

When sewer and/or water charges are not paid within sixty days after the date of billing, or by the date of the next billing, such charges shall be delinquent and the water may be turned off by the County. In the event a service is disconnected for non-payment, the total bill plus a re-connect charge of \$25.00 must be paid before service is restored. An additional fee of \$20.00 per month for water will be charged during the disconnected period and an additional fee of \$48.50 (2003), \$55.00 (2004), \$60.00 (2005), \$65.00 (2006) and \$70.00 (2007) for sewer shall be charged for each month during the disconnected period. All delinquent charges shall be subject to a one and one-half (1 ½%) percent interest per month.

All delinquent charges and penalties added thereto shall be a lien against the property owner. Delinquent charges shall be certified to the County Treasurer whenever said charges have been delinquent for a period of 60 days and a lien may be filed by the county. Upon the expiration of 60 days after the attachment of the lien, the county may bring suit in foreclosure by civil action in the Superior Court of Mason County. In addition to the costs and disbursements provided by statute, the court may allow the county reasonable costs and attorney's fees. The lien shall be foreclosed in the same manner as the foreclosure of real property tax liens (RCW 36.94.150).

SECTION 2.03 BILLINGS - TO WHOM MAILED:

Billings may be mailed to the owner of the property on which the structure so served is located, or his/her agent, insofar as the county may reasonably ascertain the same. Failure to receive such bills shall not relieve any person liable therefore from the obligation to pay the same, nor the property receiving such service, or capable of receiving such service, from such lien therefore as may thereafter attach to the property in the manner provided by law. A fee of \$10.00 will be charged for any change in tenant, renter, ownership, billing address, etc.

SECTION 2.04 VIOLATION AND PENALTIES OF WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS:

Any person or persons, firm, or corporation who tampers or permits tampering with the water or sewer system shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or by imprisonment. Each separate day or any portion thereof, during which any violation continues shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

ARTICLE III

SECTION 3.01:

The charges and fees set forth in this resolution go into effect on July 1, 2003.

RESOLUTION NO. 113-92 IS HEREBY CANCELED.

ADOPTED BY the Board of County Commissioners of Mason County this 10 Day of June, 2003.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON


DEPUTY PROS. ATTORNEY


CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


CLERK OF THE BOARD


COMMISSIONER


COMMISSIONER