AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025, AT 6:00 P.M., IN THE COLONIAL COURTHOUSE AT 6504 MAIN STREET, GLOUCESTER, VIRGINIA ON A MOTION MADE BY ______, AND SECONDED BY ______, THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Phillip N. Bazzani, ___; Ashley C. Chriscoe, ___; Kenneth W. Gibson, ___; Christopher A. Hutson, ___; Michael A. Nicosia, ___; Robert J. Orth, ___; Kevin M. Smith, ___;

AN ORDINANCE REVISING CERTAIN UTILITY FEES, RATES, AND CHARGES IMPOSED BY GLOUCESTER COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 19 – WATER, SEWERS AND SEWAGE, EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2025

WHEREAS, the provisions of Gloucester County's Code governing water, sewers and sewage are contained in Gloucester County Code, Chapter 19; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-107, utility fees, rates, and charges are required to be set by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Board is desirous of revising certain utility fees, rates, and charges associated with Chapter 19 of the Gloucester County Code.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the Gloucester County Board of Supervisors hereby sets the fees, rates, and charges associated with Chapter 19 of the Gloucester County Code as follows, to be effective May 1, 2025 (rates in bold are modified; rates in regular typeface remain the same):

	CHAPTER 19 - FEES, RATES, AND CHARGES							
	Fiscal Year 2025							
Section	Fee/Charge		Current Fee/Charge		Fee/Charge to be set by Ordinance of the Board:			
19-4.4	Monthly Equipment Fee	Per Consumer Account	\$	2.50	\$	2.50		

		Application Fee 3/4 in. Meter:	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,300.00
19-50	Sewer Service Application for Service:	Application Fee 1 in. Meter:	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
		Application Fee 1 1/2 in. Meter:	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 9,500.00
		Application Fee 2 in. Meter:	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
		Application Fee 3 in. Meter:	\$ 18,500.00	\$ 18,500.00
		Application Fee 4 in. Meter:	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 23,000.00
		Application Fee 6 in. Meter: \$ 37,500.0	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 37,500.00
		Application Fee 8 in. Meter:	\$ 68,000.00	\$ 68,000.00
		Application Fee - Multifamily dwellings, duplexes, condominiums, apartments, townhouses:	\$ 3,300.00 [per unit]	\$ 3,300.00 [per unit]
	Sewer Service Development Fee:	Development Fee 3/4 in. Meter:	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
		Development Fee 1 in. Meter:	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
		Development Fee 1 1/2 in. Meter:	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
		Development Fee 2 in. Meter:	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
19-50		Development Fee 3 in. Meter:	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
17-50		Development Fee 4 in. Meter:	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
		Development Fee 6 in. Meter:	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
		Development Fee 8 in. Meter:	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
		Development Fee - Multifamily dwellings, duplexes, condominiums, apartments, townhouses:	\$ 1,200.00 [per unit]	\$ 1,200.00 [per unit]
19-52.4	Deposit:	Deposit required when property owner not to be billed for sewer.	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00
19-52.6	Charge:	Charge for discontinuance of sewer service due to violation.	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00

	Charge:	Charge for discontinuance of sewer service due to property owner/tenant request.	\$	25.00	\$	25.00
	After Hours:	Charge for renewal of discontinued service outside of normal working hours(before 8am or after 4:30 Monday - Friday or on Saturday or Sunday	\$	75.00	\$	75.00
		Monthly nonuser service charge:	\$	11.17	\$	12.73
	Monthly Source	First 2,000 gallons or less:	\$	11.17	\$	12.73
19-55(a)	Monthly Sewer Service Rate:	Next 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons:	\$	4.92	\$	5.61
		Over 4,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons:	\$	4.68	\$	5.34
19-55 (c)	Monthly non user service charges for multiple residential units:	Monthly nonuser service charge:	\$ 11.17 x See 19-55 (c) for formula		\$ 12.73 x See 19-55 (c) for formula	
19-55 (d)	Monthly nonuser service charges for multiple business units:	Monthly nonuser service charge:	\$ 11.17 x See 19-55 (d) for formula		\$ 12.73 x See 19-55 (d) for formula	
19-55.1 (c)	Overdue sewer accounts:	Late payment fee:	\$5.00 or 10% whichever is greater		\$5.00 or 10% whichever is greater	
19-55.1 (d)	Overdue sewer accounts:	Collection fee:	\$	10.00	\$	10.00
		FSE Registration fee:	\$	40.00	\$	40.00
19-66.	FOG Fees	FSE annual inspection fee:	\$	25.00	\$	25.00
19-126	Water Service Application Fees:	Application Fee 3/4 in. Meter:	\$	3,500.00	\$	3,500.00
		Application Fee 1 in. Meter:	\$	4,500.00	\$	4,500.00
		Application Fee 1 1/2 in. Meter:	\$	6,500.00	\$	6,500.00
		Application Fee 2 in. Meter:	\$	10,500.00	\$	10,500.00
		Application Fee 3 in. Meter:	\$	17,200.00	\$	17,200.00
		Application Fee 4 in. Meter:	\$	25,500.00	\$	25,500.00

		Application Fee 6 in. Meter:	\$ 40,500.00	\$	40,500.00
		Application Fee 8 in. Meter:	\$ 75,500.00	\$	75,500.00
		Application Fee - Multifamily dwellings, duplexes, condominiums, apartments, townhouses:	% of meter plication		% of meter dication
	Water Service Development fees:	Development Fee 3/4 in. Meter:	\$ 500.00	\$	500.00
	-	Development Fee 1 in. Meter:	\$ 1,000.00	\$	1,000.00
		Development Fee 1 1/2 in. Meter:	\$ 1,500.00	\$	1,500.00
		Development Fee 2 in. Meter:	\$ 4,000.00	\$	4,000.00
		Development Fee 3 in. Meter:	\$ 8,000.00	\$	8,000.00
		Development Fee 4 in. Meter:	\$ 15,000.00	\$	15,000.00
		Development Fee 6 in. Meter:	\$ 25,000.00	\$	25,000.00
		Development Fee 8 in. Meter:	\$ 30,000.00	\$	30,000.00
		Development Fee - Multifamily dwellings, duplexes, condominiums, apartments, townhouses:	None	No	one
	Master Meter or Fire Service Meter for	Additional Application Fee:	\$ 1,500.00	\$	1,500.00
	Manufactured Park or Travel Trailer Parks:	Additional Development Fee:	\$ 250.00	\$	250.00
19-128	Deposit for Water Service	When water service is not billed to the owner of the premises:	\$ 60.00	\$	60.00
19-133 (a)	Transfer Fee; renewal of water service	When establishing new accounts or when customer transfers from one location to another within the system.	\$ 30.00	\$	30.00
19-133 (b)	Renewal of water	When water discontinued for violation:	\$ 35.00	\$	35.00
	service	Irrigation meters:	\$ 35.00	\$	35.00

		Reinstating water service for customer outside of normal working houses:	\$	50.00	\$	50.00
		Reinstating irrigation meter service for customer outside of normal working houses:	\$	50.00	\$	50.00
19-133 (c)	Reestablishment without authorization.	Fee for reestablishment of water service without authorization.	\$	75.00	\$	75.00
		Monthly nonuser service charge:	\$	20.18	\$	23.01
	Monthly rates for water service	First 2,000 gallons or less:	\$	20.18	\$	23.01
19-137 (a)		Next 6,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	\$	10.00	\$	11.40
		Over 8,000 gallons, per 1000 gallons	\$	10.40	\$	11.86
19-137 (b)	Multiple residential units, manufactured home park or travel trailer park.	Monthly nonuser service charge.	\$ S	20.18 x ee 19-137 (b) for formula.	\$ S	23.01 x ee 19-137 (b) for formula.
19-137 (c)	Multiple business units.	Monthly nonuser service charge.	\$ S	20.18 x ee 19-137 (c) for formula.	\$ S	23.01 x ee 19-137 (c) for formula.
19-137.1	Testing water meter.	Fee for examination and testing of meter:	\$	50.00	\$	50.00
19-138 (c)	Overdue water accounts:	Late payment fee:	\$5.00 or 10% whichever is greater		\$5.00 or 10% whichever is greater	
19-138 (d)	Overdue water accounts:	Collection fee:	\$	10.00	\$	10.00

The rates, fees and charges for Chapter 19 of the Gloucester County Code, as reflected herein, shall be effective May 1, 2025.

A Copy Teste:

Carol E. Steele, County Administrator

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE GLOUCESTER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Pursuant to the Code of Virginia, the Gloucester County Board of Supervisors will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Colonial Courthouse, 6504 Main Street, Gloucester, Virginia to consider the following:

AN ORDINANCE REVISING CERTAIN UTILITY FEES, RATES, AND CHARGES IMPOSED BY GLOUCESTER COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 19 – WATER, SEWERS AND SEWAGE, EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2025

The Board of Supervisors will consider an ordinance amending Chapter 19, Water, Sewers and Sewage, Sections 19-55 and 19-137 of the Gloucester County Code. The proposed amendment is intended to revise certain Utility fees, rates, and charges associated with Chapter 19 of the Gloucester County Code as follows, to be effective May 1, 2025: (Only the fees, rates, and charges being modified are listed.)

SECTION 19-55 - MONTHLY RATE FOR AVAILABILITY OF SEWAGE SERVICE								
		Monthly nonuser service charge:	\$	12.73				
19-55(a)	Monthly Sewer	First 2,000 gallons or less:	\$	12.73				
17-35(a)	Service Rate:	Next 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons:	\$	5.61				
		Over 4,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons:	\$	5.34				
19-55 (c)	Monthly nonuser service charges for multiple residential units:	Monthly nonuser service charge:	\$ See 19-	12.73 x -55 (c) for formula				
19-55 (d)	Monthly nonuser service charges for multiple business units:	Monthly nonuser service charge:	\$ See 19-	12.73 x 55 (d) for formula				
	SECTION 19-137 - MONTHLY RATES FOR WATER SERVICE							
	Monthly rates for water service	Monthly nonuser service charge:	\$	23.01				
19-137 (a)		First 2,000 gallons or less:	\$	23.01				
17 137 (u)		Next 6,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	\$	11.40				
		Over 8,000 gallons, per 1000 gallons	\$	11.86				
19-137 (b)	Multiple residential units, manufactured home park or travel trailer park.	Monthly nonuser service charge.	\$ See 19-1	23.01 x 37 (b) for formula.				
19-137 (c)	Multiple business units.	Monthly nonuser service charge.	\$ See 19-1	23.01 x 37 (c) for formula.				

Virginia Code Section 15.2-2119 authorizes localities in the Commonwealth to set and charge fees for water and sewer service. The amount of current fees, rates, and charges not listed herein are unaffected by the Ordinance. For the complete list of fees, rates, and charges, a complete copy of the draft Ordinance is available and may be reviewed on the web at <u>www.gloucesterva.gov</u>, and in the County Administrator's Office at 6489 Main Street, Gloucester, Virginia.

The meeting will be broadcast live through the County website meeting portal at: <u>https://www.gloucesterva.gov/640/Meeting-Portal</u> and on Cox channel 48.

All interested parties are invited to express their views on this matter. Citizen comments may be submitted prior to the public hearing by three different methods:

- To submit comments online, complete the <u>Citizen Comment Submission</u> form (<u>www.gloucesterva.gov/citizencomment</u>). Please follow the instructions on the form to indicate the public hearing on which you want to comment.
- Comments may also be submitted by calling and leaving a message at 804-824-2760. Follow the prompts to leave comments for this specific public hearing, and clearly indicate your name (including spelling if needed) and your magisterial district.
- Finally, comments may be submitted by US Mail to County Administration, ATTN: PUBLIC HEARING, 6489 Main Street, Gloucester, VA 23061. Any mailed comments must include your name, your magisterial district, and the title of this public hearing clearly printed at the top, and all such comments must be received by the scheduled date of this hearing. Please type or print all comments legibly.

Comments submitted through these methods must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, and will be read or played aloud during the public hearing up to the set time limit of 3 minutes.

"Form letters," consisting of communications which are verbatim duplicates (other than the identifying information of the author/submitter) of one or more other communications received by the County pertaining to the matter to be considered at the public hearing, shall be read only once per letter, along with the list of persons submitting the same comments pursuant to such "form letter."

Persons requiring assistance to submit comments for the meeting should contact the Gloucester County Administrator's office at (804) 693-4042.

Carol Steele, County Administrator