

Sewer Charges By-law Summary

If you own land with a building that's connected to the sewer system, or if the Council has ordered your building to be connected to the sewer system, you must pay the Town an annual fee called the "Sewer Service Charge." This fee helps with building and maintaining the town's sewer system.

Owners will be billed for sewer services in one of two ways:

1. For Owners with Metered Water Service:

- You'll pay a sewer usage charge based on a percentage of your total water rates.
- There's a minimum yearly charge for each water meter.

2. For Owners without Metered Water Service:

- The Town will calculate the Sewer Service Charge by dividing the total cost of the sewer system by the total number of users.
- Each owner will be billed based on their proportionate use, and there's a minimum annual charge for each user.

Sewer Service Charges start after the sewer is installed, as certified by the Town Engineer.

The Sewer Service Charge is billed quarterly or bimonthly, depending on your water meter size. It's due 30 days after billing, and if not paid on time, there's an additional 1.5% interest per month.

This charge is a lien on your entire property and has the same importance as rates and taxes. If unpaid, the Town can sell your land, similar to unpaid rates and taxes.

If you request a new sewer connection between April 1 and November 30, there's a \$300.00 connection fee. If the connection is between December 1 and March 31, you'll be charged the actual cost to the Town, with a minimum fee of \$1,000.00. This connection charge is also a lien and can be collected like the Sewer Service Charge.