

City of Tawas City
Resolution for Water and Sewer Rates, Fees, Surcharges, and Special Charges

WHEREAS the City of Tawas City proposed to set the rates, fees, surcharges and special charges for water, sewer, and private fire protection line charges to City customers, and

WHEREAS the City’s Code of Ordinances, Utilities Chapter 30, states the City Council shall establish fees for operation of waterworks and use of public and private sewers and drains, and

WHEREAS the monthly ready-to-serve fees for private fire protection lines will be charged as follows:

Size of Line Used	Taxed Property Owner	Non-Taxed Property Owner
¾”	\$1.75	\$3.06
1”	\$1.93	\$3.37
1 ½”	\$5.08	\$8.88
2”	\$19.25	\$33.69
3”	\$24.50	\$42.88
4”	\$36.75	\$64.31
6”	\$112.00	\$196.00
8”	\$199.12	\$348.45
10”	\$311.12	\$544.45
booster pump	\$45.00	\$45.00

WHEREAS the monthly ready-to-serve fees for water will be charged as follows:

Size of Meter	Taxed Property Owner	Non-Taxed Property Owner
¾”	\$12.50	\$20.63
1”	\$13.75	\$22.69
1 ½”	\$22.50	\$37.13
2”	\$36.25	\$59.81
3”	\$137.50	\$226.88
4”	\$175.00	\$288.75
6”	\$262.50	\$433.13

WHEREAS effective with the August 2024 billing cycle, the water commodity fee per 1,000 gallons will be charged as follows:

	Taxed Property Owner	Non-Taxed Property Owner
1,000 Gallons	\$6.05	\$7.56

Beginning with the July 2025 billing cycle, the commodity fee for all meter classifications and customers shall be increased by 2 ½% with the first billing cycle of each fiscal year, and

WHEREAS additional rates, fees, and surcharges for water will be charged as follows:

A. New service connection or service reconnection fees for water:

Size of Line	Fee*	Additional Charges
up to 1”	\$950.00	actual cost of labor, equipment, materials, professional fees, etc.
1 ½” to 3”	\$1,100.00	actual cost of labor, equipment, materials, professional fees, etc.
4” to 6”	\$2,000.00	actual cost of labor, equipment, materials, professional fees, etc.
larger service leads to be determined		actual cost of labor, equipment, materials, professional fees, etc.

*The connection fee includes the first meter up to a 1-inch meter. The difference in price for larger sized meters will be the responsibility of the property owner.

- B. The inspection fees to disconnect, connect, or reconnect to the existing City service lead is \$100.00.
- C. The charge for testing a meter at the request of a customer will be based on the actual cost of labor, equipment, materials, professional fees, etc. If it is shown that the meter was defective, the City will cover the charges.
- D. The charge for replacing a meter damaged through negligence shall be the actual cost of a new meter, parts, labor, equipment, materials, etc. at the time of replacement.
- E. The customer fee to shut off and/or turn on water including delinquencies, seasonal customers, home inspections, and general service repairs shall be \$22.50 per visit to site. The customer fee for Department of Public Works after-hours service will be \$135.00 per visit to site. A fee of \$50.00 shall be charged when utilities have been shut off for failure to comply with the City’s Code of Ordinances.
- F. A cash deposit of \$200.00 as a security for payment of water services may be required of each new customer or customer who has had water shut off for nonpayment of bills, or in such cases where a deposit is required by law.
- G. Bulk water sales will be \$35.00 per fill plus \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons.

WHEREAS the ready-to-serve monthly fees for sewer will be charged as follows:

Size of Meter	Taxed Property Owner	Non-Taxed Property Owner
non-metered	\$44.10	\$72.77
¾"	\$44.10	\$72.77
1"	\$48.51	\$80.04
1 ½"	\$79.38	\$130.98
2"	\$127.90	\$211.03
3"	\$485.12	\$800.45
4"	\$617.43	\$1,018.75
6"	\$926.14	\$1,528.13

WHEREAS effective with the August 2024 billing cycle the sewer commodity fee per 1,000 gallons will be charged as follows:

	Taxed Property Owner	Non-Taxed Property Owner
1,000 Gallons	\$6.40	\$8.00
Non-Metered*	\$22.40	\$28.00

*non-metered sewer is based on 3,500 gallons per month

Beginning with the July 2025 billing cycle, the commodity charge for all meter classifications and customers shall be increased by 2 ½% with the first billing cycle of each fiscal year, and

WHEREAS additional rates, fees, and surcharges for sewer will be charged as follows:

A. New service connection or service reconnection fees for sewer:

	Fee	Additional Charges
any size lead	\$1,100.00	actual cost of labor, equipment, materials, professional fees, etc.

B. The inspection fees to disconnect, connect, or reconnect to the existing City service lead is \$100.00.

C. The charge for testing a meter at the request of a customer will be based on the actual cost of labor, equipment, materials, professional fees, etc. If it is shown that the meter was defective, the City will cover the charges.

D. A cash deposit of \$200.00 as a security for services of utilities may be required of each new customer or customer who has had nonpayment of bills or in such cases where a deposit is required by law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, on August 12, 2024, the Tawas City Council hereby adopts the rates, fees, surcharges, and special charges effective with the August 2024 billing cycle.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Moved By: Russo

Seconded By: Lesinski


Council Members voting aye: Masich, Nagy, Russo, Coon, Lesinski and McMurray

Council Members voting nay: Klenow

Council Members absent: None

Council Members abstaining: None

WHEREUPON said Resolution was declared passed and adopted this 12th day of August 2024.



Michelle M. Westcott, City Clerk

(SBM 1803)