

ORDINANCE NO. 671

AMENDMENT TO SEWER CHARGE ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PAXTANG AMENDING THE ORDINANCE IMPOSING AN ANNUAL CHARGE UPON USERS OF THE SEWER SYSTEM, ORDINANCE NO. 330, ADOPTED MARCH 16, 1959, AND AS FROM TIME TO TIME AMENDED.

BE IT ORDAINED AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED that the Paxtang Ordinance imposing an annual charge upon users of the sewage system, effective 2020, as from time to time amended, is hereby amended as follows:

3. SCHEDULE OF CHARGES:

(A) Every property in the Borough of Paxtang discharging into the Paxtang Borough sewer system shall pay a minimum annual charge, regardless of any other terms of this Ordinance, Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) per year; provided that if the charge for the said property determined as hereinafter provided exceeds Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), the higher charge shall be imposed.

(B) Each Class One User shall pay an annual charge of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) per dwelling unit.

(C) Each Class Two User shall pay an annual charge based on the rate of Four Dollars and sixty cents (\$4.60) per thousand gallons of water used as reflected by the water meter of the user as shown in the last available yearly period with a minimum annual rate, notwithstanding the amount of water used each Class Two User shall pay, as a minimum charge an annual charge of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00). In addition, each Class Two User shall be charged an additional surcharge for discharge of sewage containing a pollutant load of such strength and character as shall cause the same to be classified as "high strength" by application of generally accepted engineering principals, or provisions of any grant agreement, or any state or federal law or regulation. The surcharge rates are as follows:

<u>POLLUTANT</u>	<u>THRESHHOLD*</u>	<u>SURCHARGE</u>
BOD	290 PPM	CENTS PER THOUSAND GAL.
SS	380 PPM	CENTS PER THOUSAND GAL.
P	10 PPM	CENTS PER THOUSAND GAL.

*Note: Strength of waste surcharge is expressed as cents per volume of water consumed for each PPM by which the pollutant exceeds the threshold.

If the amount of water used by any user cannot be accurately determined, the person designated by the Borough of Paxtang to collect this charge is authorized, empowered, and directed to estimate the amount of water so used and his estimate shall be conclusive for the purpose of determining the charge unless within sixty (60) days from the date of mailing of the bill for the sewer use charge he is furnished with satisfactory proof of the actual amount of water used.

(D) The Tax Collector of the Borough of Paxtang is authorized by law and directed to collect the annual sewer use charge as herein imposed in the same manner, under the same terms and at the same time as he is authorized by collect real estate taxes imposed by the Borough of Paxtang.

4. The sewer charge imposed by this Ordinance is hereby declared to be a lien on property of the user or the property occupied by the user and upon failure of any user or property owner to pay the same, the said charge shall be collected in the manner provided by the law for the enforcement of payment of municipal taxes and claims.

5. That any ordinance or part of ordinance conflicting with this Ordinance is and the same is hereby repealed insofar as the same affects this Ordinance.

Enacted and ordained this 6th day of January 2020.
WITNESS: BOROUGH OF PAXTANG

Faye A. Clark, Secretary

By _____
Kathleen Bloss, Council President

APPROVED this 6th day of January 2020

Sheilah Borne Fuller, Mayor