

Ordinance #2017-44
AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING
SEWER SERVICE CHARGES
AND AMENDING THE "CODE
OF THE BOROUGH OF
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY
1974" AND THE "CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON,
NEW JERSEY, 1968"

WHEREAS, the Borough of Princeton and Township of Princeton pursuant to the provision of the New Jersey Municipal Consolidation Act, *N.J.S.A. 40:43-66.35* consolidated as Princeton on January 1, 2013

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:43-66.64* the Princeton Council on January 1, 2013 adopted a Resolution continuing in effect Ordinances of the former Borough of Princeton and the former Township of Princeton as a new Code for Princeton is prepared; and

WHEREAS, the municipality of Princeton adopted Ordinance # 2013-19 on July 8, 2013 which set the previous sewer service rates;

WHEREAS, the municipality of Princeton adopted Ordinance #2015-19 on June 8, 2015, which amended the sewer service rates;

WHEREAS, the municipality of Princeton adopted Ordinance #2016-31 on June 27, 2016, which amended the sewer service rates;

WHEREAS, the Princeton Council wishes to amend this ordinance and adopt revised rates which will become a part of the new Princeton Code at a future date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of Princeton as follows:

Section 1. Section 34-30(a),(b), and (c) of the "Code of the Borough of Princeton, New Jersey, 1974" and Section 18-22(a) of the "Code of the Township of Princeton, New Jersey, 1968", which establish annual sewer service rates are both hereby amended to establish the following new rates:

1. In the case of each owner receiving metered water from New Jersey American Water or its successors, the annual sewer service charge shall be computed at the following rates:
 - (a) Six Dollars and 60/100 (\$6.60) of metered water for the first 2,000 CCF (hundred cubic feet)
 - (b) Nine Dollars and 25/100 (\$9.25) of metered water for usage between 2,001 and

5,000 CCF (hundred cubic feet)

- (c) Eleven Dollars and 30/100 (\$11.30) of metered water for usage in excess of 5,000 CCF (hundred cubic feet)

The amount so allocated shall be the lesser of the amount of metered water charged to each such owner during the calendar year preceding the service year, or if a winter quarter meter reading is available, a sum equal to four times the amount of metered water charged to such owner during the winter quarter. If the winter quarter is zero, the amount charged would be the amount of metered water charged to each such owner during the calendar year preceding the service year.

In the event that it is contended by the Engineer or by the owner or occupant of any house or building that the calculation of the service charge upon the basis of metered water does not fairly reflect the amount of the sewage discharge into the sanitary sewage system, either because it discharges into the system from sources other than metered water or because of elimination from the system of metered water that is disposed or elsewhere, the sewer service charge may be adjusted for good cause shown, by filing first an administrative appeal to the Tax Collector and then to the Sewer Operating Committee upon written application of the owner or occupant after hearing on notice to the Tax Collector. However, no such application shall be considered unless it is filed with the Tax Collector before December 31 of the service year in question.

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as provided for by law.

I, Kathleen K. Brzezynski, Municipal Clerk of Princeton, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Mayor and Council of Princeton at its meeting held June 26, 2017.



Kathleen K. Brzezynski
Municipal Clerk