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### **BRWA Board Approves Proposed New Rates** *New rates effective July 1*

At the March board meeting, the Bedford Regional Water Authority board voted to approve the advertisement of a new rate structure for the Authority that if adopted will go into effect July 1, 2013. The rates will not be adopted until after a public hearing that will be held on June 25<sup>th</sup>. The new rates are needed due to the consolidation taking place between the Bedford County Public Service Authority and the City of Bedford Water and Wastewater department as part of the City reversion to a Town.

“These rates take into account all of our customers’ needs and will ensure that the Authority will be able to continue providing excellent service to our community in a fair and reasonable manner,” stated Brian Key, Executive Director.

The new advertised rate structure was approved after a lengthy research and analysis period. From the beginning, the consolidation agreement stated that the rates should include a volume rate for large customers and equalize the two different entities rate structures over the course of ten years. The first step in finding a way to blend the Bedford County Public Service Authority and the City of Bedford’s rates was through a consolidation study performed by the engineering firm Wiley|Wilson. One section of this study compared the rates of the two consolidating entities and proposed a few different rate structure options. This study can be found at [www.bcpsa.com](http://www.bcpsa.com).

The study was taken into consideration as the BRWA began forming their Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 budget. After various committee and board meetings and a work session, the Authority prepared a budget for the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 which was passed at the March meeting based upon the rates necessary for the proposed revenues to exceed the proposed expenditures.

The rates included in the proposed budget are close to the recommendations in the rate section of the consolidation report; for the first year, the board felt it was important to closely follow the study. The Authority will be conducting a more complex rate study in the coming months; this more detailed rate study will help the Authority to prepare for the future budgets.

The rates will not be official until after a public hearing that will be held on June 25<sup>th</sup>.

Meter Size, Customer Type, or Monthly Usage	Forest, Lakes, Stewartsville, Montvale			Center Service Area					
	Water	Sewer	Total	Inside Town Limits			Adjacent to Town		
				Water	Sewer	Total	Water	Sewer	Total
<b>Commodity Charges per 1000 gallons - Residential</b>									
First 3,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$4.35	\$5.66	\$10.01	\$6.23	\$8.14	\$14.38
Next 7,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$3.30	\$5.66	\$8.96	\$4.71	\$8.14	\$12.86
Over 10,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$2.50	\$5.25	\$7.75	\$3.52	\$7.54	\$11.06
<b>Commodity Charges per 1000 gallons - Commercial</b>									
First 3,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$5.60	\$7.30	\$12.90	\$8.14	\$10.61	\$18.75
Next 7,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$4.25	\$7.30	\$11.55	\$6.11	\$10.61	\$16.72
Next 20,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$3.20	\$6.76	\$9.96	\$4.55	\$9.81	\$14.36
Next 50,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$3.05	\$6.36	\$9.41	\$4.34	\$9.21	\$13.56
Next 100,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$2.90	\$5.90	\$8.80	\$4.15	\$8.51	\$12.67
Over 500,000	\$5.36	\$7.00	\$12.36	\$2.65	\$5.07	\$7.72	\$3.70	\$7.27	\$10.97
<b>Commodity Charges per 1000 gallons - Industrial</b>									
Min. 400,000	\$5.21	\$6.90	\$12.11	\$2.92	\$5.40	\$8.32	\$2.92	\$5.40	\$8.32
Min. 1,000,000	\$5.21	\$6.90	\$12.11	\$2.46	\$4.61	\$7.07	\$2.46	\$4.61	\$7.07
<b>Monthly Base Charges</b>									
5/8"	\$11.00	\$11.50	\$22.50	\$2.50	\$10.84	\$13.35	\$2.50	\$10.84	\$13.35
3/4"	\$14.50	\$15.20	\$29.70	\$3.30	\$11.84	\$15.15	\$3.30	\$11.84	\$15.15
1"	\$17.90	\$18.90	\$36.80	\$4.33	\$18.43	\$22.76	\$4.33	\$18.43	\$22.76
1-1/2"	\$26.60	\$27.60	\$54.20	\$6.66	\$33.77	\$40.43	\$6.66	\$33.77	\$40.43
2"	\$36.30	\$37.30	\$73.60	\$10.16	\$52.96	\$63.12	\$10.16	\$52.96	\$63.12
3"	\$55.70	\$58.20	\$113.90	\$17.48	\$98.39	\$115.87	\$17.48	\$98.39	\$115.87
4"	\$82.60	\$87.60	\$170.20	\$33.30	\$169.04	\$202.34	\$33.30	\$169.04	\$202.34
6"	\$136.40	\$146.40	\$282.80	\$66.60	\$337.98	\$404.58	\$66.60	\$337.98	\$404.58
<b>Minimum Charges - Residential</b>									
5/8": 2,000	N/A			\$15.68	\$30.41	\$46.09	\$23.56	\$41.02	\$64.58
3/4": 3,000	N/A			\$23.93	\$33.52	\$57.45	\$35.94	\$44.13	\$80.07
1": 9,000	N/A			\$32.18	\$36.62	\$68.80	\$48.32	\$47.23	\$95.55
1-1/2": 17,000	N/A			\$52.78	\$52.00	\$104.78	\$79.06	\$62.61	\$141.67
<b>Minimum Charges - Commercial</b>									
5/8": 2,000	N/A			\$20.84	\$37.37	\$58.21	\$31.42	\$51.59	\$83.01
3/4": 3,000	N/A			\$31.81	\$40.48	\$72.29	\$47.95	\$54.70	\$102.64
1": 9,000	N/A			\$42.78	\$43.58	\$86.36	\$64.47	\$57.80	\$122.27
1-1/2": 17,000	N/A			\$70.19	\$58.96	\$129.15	\$105.76	\$73.18	\$178.94
2": 28,000	N/A			\$103.06	\$77.50	\$180.56	\$155.31	\$91.72	\$247.03
3": 81,000	N/A			\$256.70	\$120.76	\$377.46	\$413.20	\$144.27	\$557.46
4": 149,000	N/A			\$443.23	\$182.59	\$625.82	\$671.08	\$196.81	\$867.89
6": 465,000	N/A			\$1,211.83	\$336.97	\$1,548.80	\$1,268.61	\$351.19	\$1,619.80
<b>Deposits</b>									
Residential	\$125	\$125	\$250	\$125	\$125	\$250	\$125	\$125	\$250
Non-Residential	\$425	\$425	\$850	\$425	\$425	\$850	\$425	\$425	\$850
<b>Facility Fees</b>									
5/8"	\$2,500	\$3,500	\$6,000	\$2,500	\$3,500	\$6,000	\$2,500	\$3,500	\$6,000
3/4"	\$3,600	\$5,000	\$8,600	\$3,600	\$5,000	\$8,600	\$3,600	\$5,000	\$8,600
1"	\$6,300	\$8,700	\$15,000	\$6,300	\$8,700	\$15,000	\$6,300	\$8,700	\$15,000
1-1/2"	\$12,000	\$16,000	\$28,000	\$12,000	\$16,000	\$28,000	\$12,000	\$16,000	\$28,000
2"	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$60,000	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$60,000	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$60,000
3"	\$45,000	\$65,000	\$110,000	\$45,000	\$65,000	\$110,000	\$45,000	\$65,000	\$110,000
4"	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$175,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$175,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$175,000
6"	\$125,000	\$175,000	\$300,000	\$125,000	\$175,000	\$300,000	\$125,000	\$175,000	\$300,000
8"	\$300,000	\$420,000	\$720,000	\$300,000	\$420,000	\$720,000	\$300,000	\$420,000	\$720,000
10"	\$450,000	\$630,000	\$1,080,000	\$450,000	\$630,000	\$1,080,000	\$450,000	\$630,000	\$1,080,000
<b>Connection Fees (Water / Sewer)</b>									
5/8" & 4"	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,000
3/4" & 4"	\$1,100	\$1,000	\$2,100	\$1,100	\$1,000	\$2,100	\$1,100	\$1,000	\$2,100
1" & 6"	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$2,400

**About the Bedford Regional Water Authority:**

The Bedford Regional Water Authority (“Authority”) was created pursuant to the Water and Sewer Authorities Act Chapter 28, Title 15.1 code of Virginia of 1950, as amended. In accordance with the Reversion Agreement executed in August, 2012, the Authority was created by the Bedford County Board of Supervisors (“Supervisors”) by resolution dated November 14, 2012 and the Bedford City Council (“Council”) by resolution dated November 27, 2012. The Authority is authorized to acquire, finance, contract, operate, and maintain water systems, sewer systems, sewage disposal and treatment systems.

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