## Resolution No. 10-004

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF LEWES, ESTABLISHING FEES AND RATES FOR SEWER UTILITY SERVICES WITHIN AREAS SERVED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works exists so that current and future customers have availability and accessibility to safe, reliable and affordable sewer services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works provides these services for life sustaining use while being environmental stewards; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4.11 of the Charter of the Board of Public Works, being Chapter 10, Volume 77, <u>Laws of Delaware</u> as amended, the Board of Public Works has the authority to fix rates, assessments, and fees for the utility systems; and

WHEREAS, such rates shall be sufficient to providing for conducting and operating the said utility systems and for payment of debt services incurred by the Board of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the information contained in the Cost of Service and Rate Study completed by David Athey, P.E. of URS was presented to the Board of Public Works and was the subject of a public hearing held April 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, after review and analysis of the Cost of Service and Rate Study the Board of Public Works has determined that increases in the sewer system rates, fees, assessments and other changes are necessary; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Public Works of the City of Lewes, in session met, a quorum pertaining at all times thereto, the Board of Public Works hereby adopts the sewer rate structure and rates commencing June 1, 2010 at 12:01am as follows:

READY TO SERVE MONTHLY CHARGES – SEWER SYSTEM						
Meter Size	2010 In City	2010 Outside	Meter Size	2010 In City	2010 Outside	
5/8"	\$50.00	\$75.50	4"	\$613.60	\$926.54	
1"	\$63.65	\$96.11	6"	\$954.55	\$1,441.37	
1 1/4"	\$72.70	\$109.78	8"	\$1,318.20	\$1,990.48	
1 ½"	\$81.80	\$123.52	Unmetered			
2"	\$131.80	\$199.02	All	\$100.00	N/A	
3"	\$500.00	\$755.00				

## **CONSUMPTION CHARGES PER 1,000 GALLONS - SEWER SYSTEM** (BASED ON 80% OF WATER METER TOTAL)

Classification	2010 In City	2010 Outside	
Residential	\$5.50	\$8.31	
Commercial	\$6.05	\$9.14	
Industrial	\$6.05	\$9.14	

and

BE IT FURTHURE RESOLVED, that the Sewer Ready to Serve Charges and the Consumption Charges shall increase by fifteen percent (15%) on June 1, 2011; June 1, 2012; and June 1, 2013.

Plus the percentage change in the CPI (Consumer Price Index), Series ID: CUURA1025A0, CUUSA102SA0, April with a base of 227.432 calculated using the

following example:

CPI for current period

233.200

Less CPI base

227.432 5.768

Equal index point change Divided by base CPI

227.432

**Equals** 

0.0254 or 2.54%

Rate increase of 15% plus CPI of 2.54% equal 17.54% total increase for that twelve month period.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Public Works this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 2010.

**Board President** 

ATTEST;

C. Wendell Alfred

**Board Secretary** 

APPROVED AS TO FORM

**Board Attorney**