

At an adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Alleghany County, Virginia held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Alleghany County Governmental Complex, Covington, Virginia, thereof:

PRESENT: G. Matt Garten, Chairman
James M. Griffith, Vice-Chairman
Stephen A. Bennett
Shannon P. Cox
Gregory A. Dodd

and Reid Walters, County Administrator (electronically)
Melissa A. Munsey, Deputy Clerk to the Board

ABSENT: Ronald S. Goings
Cletus W. Nicely

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chairman called the adjourned meeting to order.

APPROVE SEWER RATES FOR THE TOWN OF CLIFTON FORGE AND TOWN OF IRON GATE FOR FY24:

On motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mrs. Cox, that the following ordinance proposed at the Public Hearing held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 be adopted as follows:

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT SEWER RATES FOR THE
TOWN OF CLIFTON FORGE AND TOWN OF IRON GATE
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Va. Code § 15.2-2122, the Board of Supervisors is required to adopt rates for users of its wastewater system that are fair and reasonable, and reasonably reflect the costs of operating the system; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Iron Gate, the Town of Clifton Forge, and Alleghany County have agreed on a method of calculating sewer rates for the Towns, which is reflected by the rate adopted herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors that the following sewer rates be adopted for the Town of Clifton Forge and the Town of Iron Gate for fiscal year 2024:

	<u><i>Fiscal Year 2024 Sewer Rate</i></u>
Town of Clifton Forge	\$3.75 / 1,000 gals.
Town of Iron Gate	\$16,810.00 per month

Adopted: June 20, 2023

Effective Date: July 1, 2023

Adopted by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mrs. Cox	Yes
Mr. Dodd	Yes
Mr. Garten	Yes
Dr. Goings	Absent
Mr. Griffith	Yes
Mr. Nicely	Absent

ALLEGHANY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Deputy Clerk to the Board

APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO CH. 62 - WATER, SEWER AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL OF THE COUNTY CODE (WATER/SEWER RATE):

On motion of Mrs. Cox, seconded by Mr. Dodd, that the following amendments proposed at the Public Hearing held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 to The Code of the County of Alleghany, Virginia in Chapter 62 entitled "Water, Sewer and Sewage Disposal" be adopted as follows:

**CH. 62
WATER, SEWER AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL**

ARTICLE III. Rates, Types of Service and General

Sec. 62-71. Rates.

CURRENT:

The following water and sewer rates are hereby established within the county effective on the dates indicated:

<i>Water Rates</i>	<i>Minimum Rate (up to 5,000 gallons)</i>	<i>Overage Charge</i>
Effective 7/1/13	\$40.00	\$7.75/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/14	\$40.50	\$8.00/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/15	\$41.00	\$8.25/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/16	\$42.00	\$8.25/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/17	\$43.00	\$8.75/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/18	\$44.00	\$9.00/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/19	\$45.00	\$9.25/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/20	\$46.00	\$9.50/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/21	\$47.00	\$10.00/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/22	\$48.00	\$10.25/1,000 gallons

<i>Sewer Rates</i>	<i>Minimum Rate (up to 5,000 gallons)</i>	<i>Overage Charge</i>
Effective 7/1/13	\$40.00	\$9.00/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/14	\$40.50	\$9.25/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/15	\$41.00	\$9.50/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/16	\$42.00	\$9.50/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/17	\$43.00	\$10.00/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/18	\$44.00	\$10.25/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/19	\$45.00	\$10.50/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/20	\$46.00	\$10.75/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/21	\$47.00	\$11.00/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/22	\$48.00	\$11.50/1,000 gallons

<i>Sewer Only</i>	<i>Minimum Rate (up to 5,000 gallons)</i>
Effective 7/1/13	\$55.00
Effective 7/1/14	\$55.50
Effective 7/1/15	\$56.00
Effective 7/1/16	\$57.00
Effective 7/1/17	\$58.00
Effective 7/1/18	\$59.00
Effective 7/1/19	\$60.00
Effective 7/1/20	\$61.00
Effective 7/1/21	\$62.00
Effective 7/1/22	\$63.00

CHANGE TO:

The following water and sewer rates are hereby established within the county effective on the dates indicated:

<i>Water Rates</i>	<i>Minimum Rate (up to 5,000 gallons)</i>	<i>Overage Charge</i>
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Effective 7/1/21	\$47.00	\$11.00/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/22	\$48.00	\$11.50/1,000 gallons
Effective 7/1/23	\$49.00	\$12.00/1,000 gallons

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Effective 7/1/14	\$55.50
Effective 7/1/15	\$56.00
Effective 7/1/16	\$57.00

Effective 7/1/17	\$58.00
Effective 7/1/18	\$59.00
Effective 7/1/19	\$60.00
Effective 7/1/20	\$61.00
Effective 7/1/21	\$62.00
Effective 7/1/22	\$63.00
Effective 7/1/23	\$64.00

ARTICLE V. Determination of Rate and Contract

Sec. 62-140. Schedule of other charges and fees.

CURRENT:

For the purpose of this chapter, the county establishes the following fees and charges:

(5) Deposits required shall be as follows:

SECURITY DEPOSIT SCHEDULE

Owners:

<i>Meter Size</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Sewer</i>	<i>Total for Water and Sewer</i>
3/4 inch	\$48.00	\$48.00	\$ 96.00
1 inch - 2 inches	96.00	96.00	192.00
3 inches	384.00	384.00	768.00

Tenants/Lessees:

<i>Meter Size</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Sewer</i>	<i>Total for Water and Sewer</i>
3/4 inch	\$ 144.00	\$ 144.00	\$ 288.00
1 inch - 2 inches	288.00	288.00	576.00
3 inches	1,152.00	1,152.00	2,304.00

CHANGE TO:

For the purpose of this chapter, the county establishes the following fees and charges:

(5) Deposits required shall be as follows:

SECURITY DEPOSIT SCHEDULE

Owners:

<i>Meter Size</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Sewer</i>	<i>Total for Water and Sewer</i>
3/4 inch	\$49.00	\$49.00	\$ 98.00
1 inch - 2 inches	98.00	98.00	196.00
3 inches	392.00	392.00	784.00

Tenants/Lessees:

<i>Meter Size</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Sewer</i>	<i>Total for Water and Sewer</i>
3/4 inch	\$ 147.00	\$ 147.00	\$ 294.00
1 inch - 2 inches	294.00	294.00	588.00
3 inches	1,176.00	1,176.00	2,352.00

Adopted: June 20, 2023

Effective Date: July 1, 2023

Adopted by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mrs. Cox	Yes
Mr. Dodd	Yes
Mr. Garten	Yes
Dr. Goings	Absent
Mr. Griffith	Yes
Mr. Nicely	Absent

ALLEGHANY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Deputy Clerk to the Board

APPROVE TAX RATE FOR TAX YEAR 2023:

On motion of Mr. Nicely, seconded by Mr. Bennett, that the following resolution be adopted:

LEVY FOR TAX YEAR 2023

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors that there be and is hereby levied for the tax year 2023 a tax of seventy-three cents (\$0.73) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation on all taxable real estate, and all taxable mobile homes as defined in Section 46.2-100, Code of Virginia, located in this County, and that there be, and is hereby levied for the tax year 2023, a tax of two dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$2.98) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation on all taxable and tangible personal property (including machinery and tools segregated by Section 58.1-3507, Code of Virginia), located in this County on January 1, 2023 and the respective levies hereby ordered being also applicable to the real estate and tangible personal property of public service corporations, based upon the assessment thereof fixed by the State Corporation Commission and duly certified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that by majority vote in accordance with Section 58.1-3503(A)(3) and Section 58.1-3503(B) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, the 2023 personal property tax assessment (as defined by State Code 58.1-3503(A)(3)) will utilize a 90% ratio against the assessed value according to the National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) pricing guide to allow for temporary tax relief (as defined by State Code 58.1-3503(B)) due to the appreciation of vehicles as a result of the economic impact of COVID-19.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
Shannon P. Cox	Yes
Gregory A. Dodd	Yes
Ronald S. Goings	Absent
Cletus W. Nicely	Absent
James M. Griffith	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

APPROVE FY 2023-24 COUNTY OPERATING BUDGET:

On motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Dodd, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors has had the County's 2023-24 Operating Budget under review for several months; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for planning and fiscal purposes to establish the County Budget as soon as feasible; and

WHEREAS, the Board is now prepared to act on the budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt and appropriate the 2023-24 General Fund with an operating total of \$49,137,255; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts and appropriates the 2023-24 Water and Sanitary Operating Fund budget of \$5,716,950; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts and appropriates the 2023-24 Water and Sanitary Capital Project Fund budget of \$199,674; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts and appropriates the 2023-24 School Fund Budgets as indicated herein:

210	School Operating	\$47,545,227
211	School Textbook	0
213	Governor's School	0
	Subtotal - School Budgets	<u>\$47,545,227</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts and appropriates the 2023-24 Fund Budgets as indicated herein:

240	VFD-United Fire/Rescue	\$200,000
243	Law Library	4,500
246	Special Law	53,500

247	Drug Asset Forfeiture - Sheriff	8,500
248	Courthouse Security	192,389
249	Drug Asset - Com. Atty.	4,000
253	Sheriff - County Code Enforcement	33,372
281	Emergency Home Repair Program	6,636
310	CIP	433,088
710	Special Welfare	80,000
777	AHEDC	<u>712,209</u>
Subtotal - Fund Budgets		\$1,728,194

GRAND TOTAL - 2023-24 OPERATING BUDGET **\$104,327,300**

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors approve the reappropriation of all outstanding encumbrances at June 30, 2023 to the 2023-24 fiscal year to the same department and account for which they are encumbered in the 2022-23 fiscal year.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
Shannon P. Cox	Yes
Gregory A. Dodd	Yes
Ronald S. Goings	Absent
Cletus W. Nicely	Absent
James M. Griffith	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion of Mrs. Cox, seconded by Mr. Griffith, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:05 p.m. Motion carried.

G. Matt Garten
Chairman