

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED WATER UTILITY RATES AND CHARGES

Property owners, ratepayers, and other interested persons in or served, or to be served, by the Water Utility of the Town of Carthage, Indiana ("Town"), are hereby notified that the Town Council will conduct a public hearing on September 14th, at 6:00pm at Carthage Town Hall (6 West pt street, Carthage, IN 46115) concerning an ordinance establishing revised rates and charges for the use of and services rendered by the Town's Water Utility.

The proposed revisions to the rates and charges are intended to provide revenues sufficient to pay the expenses of operation and maintenance of the Water Utility, provide for debt service and other obligations, provide adequate working capital, and provide funds for necessary replacements and other lawful revenue requirements of the Water Utility.

The proposed schedule of rates and charges is as follows:

(a) Metered Rates Per Month:

	Present Rate	Proposed Rate	Effective 1/1/2027	Effective 1/1/2028	Effective 1/1/2029
<u>Consumption per Month</u>	<u>Per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>Per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u> <u>Per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u> <u>Per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u> <u>Per 1,000 gallons</u>
First 2,000 gallons	21.10	26.09	26.61	27.14	27.69
Next 3,000 gallons	16.91	20.91	21.33	21.75	22.19
Next 5,000 gallons	15.30	18.92	19.30	19.68	20.08
Next 10,000 gallons	13.74	16.99	17.33	17.68	18.03
Next 30,000 gallons	12.13	15.00	15.30	15.60	15.92
Over 50,000 gallons	7.76	9.60	9.79	9.98	10.18

(b) Minimum Charges per Month

	Present Gallons Allowed	Present Rate Per Month	Proposed Rate Per Month	Proposed Rate Per Month	Proposed Rate Per Month	Proposed Rate Per Month
5/8 or 3/4 inch	2,000	42.20	52.18	53.22	54.29	55.37
1 inch	5,000	92.92	114.89	117.19	119.53	121.93
1 1/2 inch	7,500	131.16	162.18	165.42	168.73	172.10
2 inch	10,000	169.40	209.46	213.65	217.92	222.28
3 inch	20,000	306.81	379.36	386.95	394.69	402.58

At the public hearing, users of the Water Utility, owners of property served or to be served by the Water Utility, and other interested persons will have an opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed rates and charges.

A copy of the proposed ordinance establishing the rates and charges is on file in the office of the Clerk-Treasurer and is available for inspection during regular business hours.

Dated 8/28/2026

/s/ Rachel Morrow
Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Carthage, Indiana