

Ordinance 2026-23

**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY REVISING SEWER CONNECTION FEE**

WHEREAS the Phillipsburg Town Council created a municipal sewer utility with the adoption of Ordinance O:86-44 on November 26, 1986; and

WHEREAS pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:26A-5, the Town of Phillipsburg is authorized and empowered to operate, manage and control its sewerage facilities and all properties relating thereto, including but not limited to the establishment of sewer connection fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Phillipsburg, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that Chapter 485, Section 485-11 of the Phillipsburg Town Code concerning Sewer Connection Fees is hereby amended as follows to be effective as stated.

Deletions in brackets – [deletion]
Additions underlined - addition

Section 1.

CHAPTER 485. SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

§ 485-11 Connection Charges

For every application for connection or for every connection made after [January 1, 2021]August 12, 2026, the applicant shall pay a connection charge at the time of the application for each service lateral or connection to the Town's sewer system as follows:

- A. It shall be assumed and established that for single-family dwellings and for multiple-family dwellings on a per-unit basis, said unit shall [consume]produce approximately 250 gallons per day, and the current charge for connection shall be [\$9.60]\$13.60 per gallon or [\$2,400]\$3,400.00 per residential unit.
- B. For nonresidential units, said charge shall be \$17.00 per gallon multiplied by [based upon] the actual gallonage as certified by the applicant and approved by the Municipal Engineer of the Town of Phillipsburg. For example, if an applicant proposes to produce 2,000 gallons of wastewater for treatment, the connection charge will be [\$12.00]\$17.00 times 2,000 or [\$24,000]\$34,000.00.
- C. (no change)
- D. (no change)

E. (no change)

Section 2 - Severability

The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3 - Repealer

Any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to their inconsistencies only.

Section 4 - Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect as required by law.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG

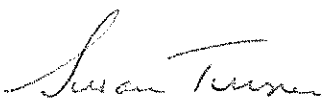
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Acting Municipal Clerk

RANDY PIAZZA, JR.
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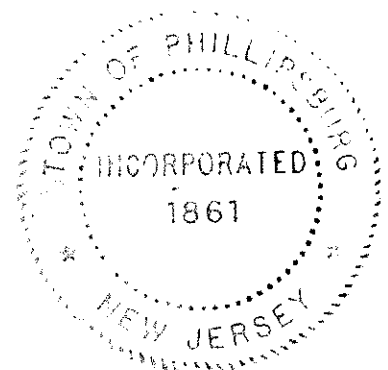
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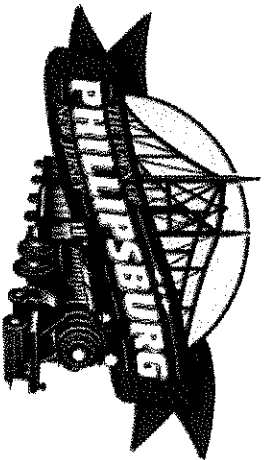
CERTIFICATION

I, Susan Turner, Acting Municipal Clerk for the Town of Phillipsburg, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Town Council at its July 14, 2026 meeting.



SUSAN TURNER,
Acting Municipal Clerk





Sewer Connection Fee Calculation

Current Connection Fees			
	Residential	Non-Residential	
Rate Per Gallon	\$9.60	\$12.00	
Daily Allowance (gallons) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	250	2,000	
Per Unit Rate	\$2,400	\$24,000	

Proposed Connection Fees			
	Residential	Non-Residential	
Rate Per Gallon	\$13.60	\$17.00	
Daily Allowance (gallons) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	250	2,000	
Per Unit Rate	\$3,400	\$34,000	

Year	Annual Debt Service			Total Capital Attributed to Connection Fee (3)	Plant Capacity	RESIDENTIAL ⁽¹⁾		NON-RESIDENTIAL ⁽²⁾	
	Go	Budgeted Pay- Capital	Grants / Subsidies			Daily Fee per Gallon	Connection Fee at 250 GPD	Daily Fee per Gallon	Connection Fee at 2,000 GPD
2005				\$26,824,849					
2006	\$1,600,863	\$300,000	-	28,725,712	3,500,000	\$8.40	\$2,100	\$10.50	\$21,000
2007	1,610,718	394,550	-	30,730,981	3,500,000	8.80	2,200	11.00	22,000
2008	1,337,530	269,500	-	32,338,011	3,500,000	9.20	2,300	11.50	23,000
2009	397,858	405,000	-	33,140,869	3,500,000	9.60	2,400	12.00	24,000
2010	496,165	200,000	-	33,837,034	3,500,000	9.60	2,400	12.00	24,000
2011	296,380	80,000	-	34,213,414	3,500,000	9.60	2,400	12.00	24,000
2012	229,304	1,800,000	-	36,242,718	3,500,000	10.40	2,600	13.00	26,000
2013	209,180	900,000	-	37,351,898	3,500,000	10.80	2,700	13.50	27,000
2014	344,436	630,000	-	38,326,334	3,500,000	10.80	2,700	13.50	27,000
2015	627,301	10,000	-	38,963,635	3,500,000	11.20	2,800	14.00	28,000
2016	715,025	250,000	-	39,928,660	3,500,000	11.60	2,900	14.50	29,000
2017	696,557	150,000	-	40,775,218	3,500,000	11.60	2,900	14.50	29,000
2018	584,883	50,000	-	41,410,101	3,500,000	12.00	3,000	15.00	30,000
2019	689,457	50,000	-	42,149,557	3,500,000	12.00	3,000	15.00	30,000
2020	686,684	100,000	-	42,936,241	3,500,000	12.40	3,100	15.50	31,000
2021	689,738	100,000	-	43,725,979	3,500,000	12.40	3,100	15.50	31,000
2022	690,047	100,000	-	44,516,026	3,500,000	12.80	3,200	16.00	32,000
2023	809,462	100,000	-	45,425,488	3,500,000	12.80	3,200	16.00	32,000
2024	841,075	729,911	-	46,996,473	3,500,000	13.60	3,400	17.00	34,000
2025	1,065,082	50,000	-	48,111,555	3,500,000	13.60	3,400	17.00	34,000

(1) Daily Usage Allowance for residential customers is based on standard expected consumption of 250 gallons per day (GPD).

(2) Daily Usage Allowance for non-residential customers is based on actual usage certified by customer, 2,000 GPD shown is for illustrative purposes only.

(3) Initial fixed capital value obtained from Town of Phillipsburg's 2005 audited financial statements.