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Village of Waterford Resident,

In the past, the charge for Public Fire Protection has been collected as a part of property tax bills in the Village of Waterford. Beginning in 2020, this charge will instead be collected on your water/sewer bills.

The Public Fire Protection charge recovers the cost of water for fighting fires, as well as the extra capacity built into the system necessary to rapidly deliver a large volume of water to a fire anywhere within the municipality's water service area. These costs include a portion of the wells, pumps, storage facilities, water mains, hydrants and an estimated quantity of water used for this purpose. The Public Service Commission of WI (PSC) determines the public fire protection charge based on equivalent meter size.

This was a one time change, largely for accounting and for equivalent cost sharing of public fire protection charge. Again, this is not a new charge. It has simply been moved off of the tax roll and onto the quarterly utility bills.

For more information about Public Fire Protection Charges, visit www.psc.wi.gov. If you have any further questions regarding this change, you may contact Village Hall at 262-534-3980.