

PUBLIC NOTICE- RATE INCREASE

TOWN OF LITCHFIELD WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

In accordance with CGS Ch. 103 Sec 7-255 the Litchfield Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday June 18, 2026 at 6:45 P.M., at the Litchfield Firehouse 258 West Street, Litchfield CT 06759.

At the special Litchfield WPCA meeting held on May 13, 2026, the Litchfield WPCA approved an increase in the septage tipping fee from \$0.09 per gallon to \$0.095 per gallon, effective 7/1/26. The WPCA will also adopt new internal Rules and Regulation revisions and policies regarding, sewer fee billing, collection, and enforcement threshold that will also become effective on 7/1/26. They include the following:

Rules and Regulations Revisions:

- Section X – Collection and Enforcement of WPCA Sewer User Charges. (NEW)
Define the options for collection of outstanding sewer user charges.
The Board has also created a policy that will be utilized for editing thresholds as needed
- Section X – Capital Outlay and Capital Project Authorization. (NEW)
Define the process for defining capital outlay items in the annual operating budget
Define the process for seeking and obtaining capital project authorizations
- Section X – Debt Service Fund. (NEW)
Defines the debt service fund for the LWPCA and the process for payments related to capital debt.

Proposed Policies:

- Collection and Enforcement of WPCA Sewer User Charges
Mirrors the Rule and Regulations section, but allows the Board to modify the monetary thresholds for enforcement action as needed.
- Fund Balance and Capital Reserve Policy
Establish adequate operating fund balance reserves to ensure financial stability, liquidity, and continuity of operations.
Establish dedicated Capital Construction Reserve Fund to support the long-term repair, replacement, rehabilitation, and improvement of wastewater infrastructure and related assets.

The Litchfield Water Pollution Control Authority is announcing a statutory 10-day appeal period that will end on June 15, 2025

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Chris Levesque P.E. Chairman

Litchfield Water Pollution Control Authority.