

**Newark Service Area  
Water & Wastewater  
Advisory Board Meeting  
Wednesday, July 30, 2025**

**Present**

**Water and Wastewater Advisory Board**

Jenny Mumford, Susan Age, Jim Scott, James C. Barbely

**Worcester County Public Works**

Dallas Baker Jr.

**Worcester County Public Works- Water and Wastewater Division**

Tony Fascelli, Andy Glenn

**Worcester County Treasurer's Office**

Quinn Dittrich

Dallas Baker Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:04 pm

**~~End of FY25 budget review –~~**

- Was not available for 7/30/2025 meeting as stated in email to all members prior. Auditors are still going through comments. Allocations to construction support group needs to be done, Dallas will send out the finalized copies once they are completed to members.
- Dallas also mentioned having a supplemental meeting if members were interested in going over how the budget ended for FY25.

**Review of FY 26 budget, year-to-date –**

- There were no changes from the proposed budget. FY 26 budgets were handed out (and emailed) FY26 Rates were handed out (and emailed).

Charges from 2025 to 2026 were discussed and listed below.

FY 26 Newark's Quarterly Domestic and Commercial user rates are hereby established as follows:

- a. Minimum water & sewer \$280.00 per EDU (+ \$40 from FY25)
- b. Additional water and sewer charges based on usage as follows:
  1. \$5.00 (was \$7.00 FY25) per 1,000 gallon up to 22,500 gallons and
  2. \$15.00 per 1,000 gallons over 22,500
- c. Newark water assessments are hereby established at \$27.00 per water EDU quarterly.
- d. Newark sewer assessments are hereby established at \$55.00 per sewer EDU quarterly
- e. Unimproved Lots- Quarterly accessibility charges \$238.00 (new fee for FY26) per EDU (Not yet connected).

Debt service \$82.00
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## **Review of current project list status**

### **Water Treatment Plant Upgrades:**

Federal Earmark 5/12/25 letter from Sen. Van Hollen confirming it was submitted to Congress in the amount of \$3,861,000; County received letter 06/16/25. **UPDATE: Funding request was not approved by Senate Appropriations Committee per 7/29/25 email.**

Transite Water Main Replacement: Federal Earmark – 5/21/25 letter from Sen. Van Hollen confirming it was submitted to Congress in the amount of \$1,600,000; County received letter 6/16/25. **UPDATE: Funding request was not approved by Senate Appropriations Committee per 7/29/25 email.**

Water Tower / Cell Antennae Maintenance – Verizon wants to upgrade existing equipment, has not submitted plans nor review fee yet. **UPDATE: Paid yesterday 07/29/2025.**

### **Questions from the board...**

Suggestion was made for painting the treatment plant building and bladder tank. Working with ground maintenance to have the paint job completed.

Funding suggestions were welcomed outside of the usual agencies already used (using) UD SA MDE, to help grant funding.

Next meeting will be October 29, 2025 @ 3pm DPW Admin Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned