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## WATER RATE UPDATE

At their meeting of February 5, 2015, the Hamilton Board of Selectmen acting as the Town's Water Commissioners voted to adopt the following Quarterly Water Rate structure effective with all commitments processed after January 23, 2015. In addition all new buildings and development will be required to be connected to the Town's water system.

### USAGE IN GALLONS RATE PER 1,000 GALLONS

Usage charges are designed to pay for the increases in the operating costs. The amount of usage in each tier DID NOT CHANGE, only the rates.

Tiered Usage	Previous	Current
0-5,000	\$ 3.00	\$ 4.20
5,001-25,000	\$ 4.10	\$ 5.74
25,001-50,000	\$ 7.00	\$ 9.80
50,001-250,000	\$ 8.65	\$12.11
250,001-99,999,999	\$10.00	\$14.00

### SERVICE CHARGES PER QUARTER

Service charges are designed to pay for Water Debt, including the new water distribution system.

Service Area:	Previous	Current
Basic/Infrastructure Charge	\$20.00	\$60.00
Non-Resident Fee	\$30.00	\$30.00
Hydrant	\$25.00	\$25.00
Sprinkler	\$25.00	\$25.00

These increases had been discussed for two years in different forums including Finance and Advisory Committee, Board of Selectmen and at ATM.

The last rate increase was in 2008. Hamilton rates are still the lowest in the area.

### BILL FORMAT:

The town will be updating the bill format by the end of 2015 that will show usage and service charges separately.

### QUESTIONS

Direct your questions concerning your usage to William Redford, DPW Director, 978-468-5591.