

RESOLUTION NO. 97-14

October 27, 2014

The Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority

Resolution adopting rate schedule
changes effective November 1, 2014

WHEREAS, The Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority, pursuant to law and specifically under the Authority of N.J.S.A., 40:14B: 22 et seq., and 40:14B-23, et seq., has prepared a revised schedule of rates and fees; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, a notice of a Public Hearing in this matter was published on September 26, 2014 in *The Asbury Park Press*, and October 6, 2014 in *the Brick Times* in compliance with the requirements of NJSA 40:14B-23; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held pursuant to this notice on October 27, 2014; and

WHEREAS, after due and deliberate consideration of all the information available, and having conducted the Public Hearing and placed all reports pertaining to the revised rate schedule into evidence, and having given the public the opportunity to be heard, The Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority is of the opinion that such revised rate schedule is reasonable and necessary and in accordance with the statutory directive;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority that it hereby adopts the schedule of rates and fees in the form and amounts attached hereto; and the schedule shall become effective on November 1, 2014. A copy of this schedule of charges shall at all times be kept on file at the principal office of The Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority, and shall at all times be open to the public for inspection.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a Public Meeting of the Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority of the Township of Brick, County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, held on October 27, 2014.


James C. Bayard, Authority Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority

PUBLIC NOTICE is given by The Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14B-22 & 23, that a Public Rate Hearing will be held on Monday, October 27, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Conference Room of the Authority's Administration Building located at 1551 Highway 88 West, Brick, New Jersey. The purpose of this public hearing is to propose the following modifications to the existing Schedule of Rates, Fees and Service Charges, effective **November 1, 2014** as follows. All items not listed in this notice remain unchanged in the Schedule of Rates, Fees and Service Charges.

1. WATER SERVICE

1.1 Quarterly Use Charges

The minimum quarterly charge for all classes of users shall be as follows:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Meter Size (inches)</u>	<u>Quarterly charge up to allowance</u>
Residential	3/4, 1, & 1 ½	\$22.63 plus \$3.45 per 1,000 gallons up to 10,000 gallons
Multiple Dwelling (per Unit)	3/4 & 1	Same As Above
Commercial, Municipal & Schools	3/4 1 1 ½ 2 3	Same As Above

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6 & over

1.2 Excess of Quarterly Allowance

A rate of \$6.04 per 1,000 gallons will apply to water usage in excess of 10,000 gallons per quarter.

1.3 Lawn Irrigation and Sprinkler Accounts

The customer can choose to create a separate account (in addition to the existing account) for the purpose of metering outside water use. A meter charge will be applicable based on size of installation. This second account will meter all water used outside the home that is not discharged into the sanitary sewer system. The customer will not pay a minimum for this second account and will be charged only for the water consumption on the second meter as follows: A rate of \$6.04 per 1,000 gallons will apply up to 18,000 gallons per quarter. For Usage in excess of 18,000 gallons per quarter a rate of \$7.59 per 1,000 gallons will be charged.

1.9 Bulk Water Rate

The Bulk Water Rate for bulk water service to other communities is calculated at the time of this notice to be as follows:

\$4.19 per thousand gallons: representing a 5% discount on the Residential Single Family (RSF) average commodity rate (for a range of flows to accommodate peak demands (summer) and off-peak demands (winter)).

Take or Pay Bulk Rate: \$3.01 per thousand gallons will be the rate provided to a bulk customer who contractually commits to take 60,000 gallons per day the initial year, and agree to pay for a minimum of 60,000 gallons per day regardless of the actual usage.

In addition, to be eligible for this rate, the community must establish at its own cost at least two (2) metered interconnections with the Authority's water system.

II. SEWER SERVICE

2.1 Quarterly Use Charge

Sewer usage charges are calculated on water meter readings. The minimum rate is \$60.50 plus \$4.21 for each 1,000 gallons of sewage generated up to 18,000 gallons quarterly.

Any excess over 18,000 will be billed at \$8.41 per 1,000 gallons on all accounts. In those instances where it may be necessary to charge on a "per fixture" basis, the minimum quarterly charge will be \$111.02 for four fixtures. For each fixture over four the charge will be \$12.63 quarterly.

III. Initial Service Charges

3.2 Sewer

The initial service charge for a standard 4-inch connection to a single unit is \$3,854.00

3.3 Water

The initial service charges, based on the size of the water service are as follows:

<u>Size (inches)</u>	<u>Charge</u>
3/4	\$ 3,857.00
1	6,767.00
1 ½	9,950.00
2	13,631.00
3	20,653.00

4	32,271.00
6	62,060.00
8	124,119.00

VI. Miscellaneous Charges

6.1 Service Line Installation (Tap) Fees

6.1.2 Wet Cut Fees are for larger size taps. The charge will be for the cut only:

<u>Size (Inches)</u>	<u>Fee</u>
4	\$400.00
6	\$400.00
8	\$400.00

The cost of excavation, material and preparation of the main are at the expense of the applicant.

6.1.3 Sewer Main Taps

Manhole cores to a thickness of six inches are \$700.00

6.2 Cost of Water Meters, Installation, Repair, Testing & Related Services

6.2.1 Water Meter Installation Service Charges are:

<u>Meter Size (inches)</u>	<u>Fee</u>
3/4"	\$ 176.00
1"	230.00
1 1/2"	562.00
2"	775.00
3" Turbo	At Cost

3" Compound	At Cost
4" Turbo	At Cost
4" Compound	At Cost
6" Turbo	At Cost
6" Compound	At Cost

6.2.2 Meter Removal, Testing & Certification Charges are based on meter size:

Size (Inches)	Fee
Up to 1"	\$ 82.00
1 1/2" to 2"	200.00
3"	300.00
4"	400.00
6"& Larger	at Cost
(6"and larger would need to be sent out to manufacturer)	

6.2.3 Turnoff and Winterization

Size (Inches)	Fee
3/4"	\$ 50.00
1"	50.00
1 1/2"	70.00
2"	70.00
3" and larger	250.00

6.3 Other Services

Shut-off, or Restoration of Services:	\$ 50.00
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*There is a \$50.00 fee for a title search and will include a review of outstanding balances and a physical site inspection by the Meter

Division for existing indiscretion towards Authority policy and equipment.

Any material or parts not specifically listed will be supplied at cost plus 15%.

6.4 Temporary Use of Hydrants

Upon formal application, the use of fire hydrants on the Authority system may be approved for temporary water service for construction and other related temporary uses. The administrative charge for a one-time use is \$25.00 plus the cost of water usage. The charges for water usage will be deducted from the deposit and any refund due will be made by voucher after the next Authority meeting. Any usage charges above the deposit amount shall be paid upon return of the meter. In addition to the administrative charge, the following costs for hydrant deposits apply:

<u>Meter Size (inches)</u>	<u>Deposit</u>	<u>Cost per 1,000 gallons up to 18,000</u>	<u>Cost per 1,000 gallons over 18,000 gallons</u>
¾	\$176.00	\$6.04	\$7.59
1	\$236.00	\$6.04	\$7.59
1 ½	\$765.00	\$6.04	\$7.59
2	\$950.00	\$6.04	\$7.59

6.5 Hydrant Flow Tests

Hydrant flow tests will be conducted by the applicant. The charge for an Authority observer is \$50.00. The observer will not be involved in the interpretation of the results.

6.7 Water Curb Box and Sewer Clean-Out Access

It is the responsibility of the customer/homeowner to maintain access at

all times to the water curb box and sewer clean-outs which are generally located within the public right-of-way or in a Brick Utilities utility easement. In the event Brick Utilities determines the water curb box and/or

the sewer clean-out are inaccessible, the customer/homeowner will have the following options to provide the required access:

Option 1: Self perform the work in conformance with Brick Utilities Standards and have the work inspected by Brick Utilities. An inspection fee of \$50.00 will be assessed. The customer/homeowner must complete the work within thirty (30) calendar days of notification or Brick Utilities will perform the work and bill the customer/homeowner in accordance with the fee scheduled noted under Option 2.

Option 2: Request the services of Brick Utilities to perform the work in accordance with the following fee schedule. The rates include material:

Minimum One Hour Charge:	\$200.00
Each Additional Hour Charge:	\$150.00

Brick Utilities will not be liable for any unavoidable damages associated with an inaccessible water curb box and/or sewer clean-out. Such damage may include the disruption of paved surfaces, e.g. driveways, walkways, etc., lawns or other landscaping necessary to gain access to the water curb box and/or sewer clean-out. Furthermore, any water damage caused by the inaccessibility of the water curb box and/or sewer cleanout shall be the customer/homeowner's responsibility.

If Brick Utilities deems it necessary to gain access to the water curb box and/or sewer clean-out due to an emergency situation, the customer will be charged in accordance with the rates established under Option No. 2. During regular work hours: \$200 minimum one hour and \$150.00 each additional hour. In the event the emergency situation occurs after regular hours, on weekends or holidays the rates will be as follows:

After Regular Hours, Monday through Saturday: \$510.00 for a two hour minimum plus \$175.00 for each additional hour.

Sundays & Holidays: \$590.00 for a two hour minimum plus \$200.00 for each additional hour.

George Cevalco
Chairman