

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER
KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION NO. 18-114

RESOLUTION RE: SANITARY SEWER USE CHARGE - 2018

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Cooper (hereinafter "Township") has previously adopted the Sewage Disposal System Ordinance, being Ordinance No. 229 (hereinafter "Ordinance"), pertaining to the public sewer mains and public sewer service within the Township; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ordinance, it is the responsibility of the Township Board to determine appropriate fees, charges, and rates relating to connection to and use of the public sanitary sewer system (hereinafter "Sanitary Sewer System"); and

WHEREAS, the Township's Sanitary Sewer System south of D. Avenue is operated by the Gull Lake Sewer and Water Authority (hereinafter "Authority") acting as agent of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has performed (2014-2017) an Asset Management Plan per meeting the requirements of the MDEQ Storm and Wastewater Grants Program (SAW), and pursuant to the detailed results, created a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) delineating annual repairs, replacements and rehabilitations necessary for each functionally and financially significant asset over the ensuing 20-40 years, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the SAW rate consultant's recommendation (required under the SAW program), it is necessary to increase User Fees to the customers of the

SYSTEM to fund the on-going Operations, Maintenance and Replacement costs (including the CIP), and

WHEREAS, the Authority has notified the Township that effective for bills rendered after March 31, 2018 , the user fee (also referred to as "sewer use fee") charged to those within the Authority's service area, including that portion in the Township, needs to be increased to help defray increased operations, maintenance and replacement costs; and

WHEREAS, this Township Board deems it proper in light of the above that it set the user fees for that portion of the Township's Sanitary Sewer System operated by the Authority at the rates recommended by the Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- A. That for bills rendered after March 31, 2018, and as specifically noticed hereunder, the User Fee for that portion of the Township's Sanitary Sewer System operated by the Authority shall be:

\$81.00 per quarter per REU for all
Sewer use, for bills rendered after
3/31/2018.

\$84.00 per quarter per REU for all
Sewer use for bills rendered after
3/31/2019

\$87.00 per quarter per REU for all
Sewer use for bills rendered after
3/31/2020.

\$90.00 per quarter per REU for all
Sewer use for bills rendered after
3/31/2021.

- B. That the User Fee shall be payable to the Authority and shall be billed to each customer by the Authority based upon the number of Residential Equivalent Units of each customer as set forth within the Ordinance and as administered by the Authority.
- C. That all prior fees, charges, and rates relating to connection to and use of the Sanitary Sewer System shall continue in effect except as expressly revised herein.
- D. That all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Motion was made by DeHaan, seconded by Schiedel, to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Upon roll call vote, the following members voted "Aye":
Sorensen, Janssen, DeHaan, Vlietstra, Frederick, Schiedel

Absent: Buiskool

The following members voted "Nay": None

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the Resolution duly adopted.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the township board of the Charter Township of Cooper, held at 1590 West D Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49009, on March 12, 2018; that the meeting was conducted and public notice of the meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act of Michigan; that a quorum of the Board was present and voted in favor of the Resolution; and that the minutes of the meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by the Open Meetings Act.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "DeAnna Janssen". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

DeAnna Janssen, Clerk