

Village of Galatia
Notice of New Water & Sewer Utility Rates
Effective September 1, 2026

Dear Water and Sewer Customer,

Enclosed with this notice is a letter from the Mayor and Board of Trustees explaining why the Village was forced to make adjustments to our utility rates after several years without significant increases.

This notice is intended to explain **what the new rates are, when they take effect, and how they will affect your monthly utility bill.**

New Water Rates

Effective **September 1, 2026**, the Village's water rates will be as follows:

Monthly Water Usage Monthly Charge

First 2,000 gallons	\$20.75
2,001 – 8,000 gallons	\$6.00 per 1,000 gallons
Over 8,000 gallons	\$10.00 per 1,000 gallons

New Sewer Rates

Effective **September 1, 2026**, the Village's sewer rates will be as follows:

Monthly Sewer Usage	Monthly Charge
First 2,000 gallons	\$16.25
Each additional 1,000 gallons	\$8.75 per 1,000 gallons

Annual Rate Adjustments

To help avoid the need for large, infrequent rate increases in the future, both the water and sewer ordinances include an automatic **3% annual adjustment beginning September 1, 2027**. The Village Board will also conduct a comprehensive review of the utility rate structure at least once every three years to evaluate operating costs, inflation, maintenance needs, capital improvements, debt obligations, regulatory requirements, and the long-term financial stability of the utility systems.

Billing and Delinquent Accounts

Customers should also be aware of the following:

- Utility bills are due monthly.
- Accounts remaining unpaid more than **30 days** after the due date will be considered delinquent.
- A **10% late payment penalty** will be added to delinquent balances.
- Water service may be disconnected after all notices required by Illinois law have been provided.
- Standard reconnection fee: **\$50.00**
- Same-day water reconnection fee: **\$100.00**

Our Commitment to You

The Village of Galatia remains committed to operating and maintaining safe, dependable water and wastewater systems while keeping utility rates as affordable as possible.

Revenue generated from these rate adjustments will remain dedicated to the operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and improvement of the Village's utility infrastructure.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we make these necessary investments to ensure reliable service for today and for future generations.

If you have any questions regarding the new utility rates, please contact Village Hall during normal business hours.

Sincerely,

Village of Galatia

Mayor & Board of Trustees