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Subject: Notice of New Utility Rates – Effective January 1, 2026

Dear Residents and Property Owners,

Please be advised that effective **January 1, 2026**, new utility rates for the Borough of Royalton will take effect. Unfortunately, due to increased costs from our utility vendors for contracted services, these rate adjustments are necessary to ensure the continued delivery of reliable, high-quality services to our community.

Refuse Rate

- **\$34.00** per month

Water and Sewer Rates

Beginning January 2026, water meters will be read **on a monthly basis**.

Water:

- Minimum monthly charge: **\$40.00**, based on a minimum monthly usage of 2,700 gallons.
- Each additional 1,000 gallons over the 2,700 gallons monthly allotted minimum will be billed at **\$5.25 per 1,000 gallons**.

Sewer:

- Sewer charges are based on your water consumption.
- Minimum monthly charge: **\$94.00**, based on a minimum monthly usage of 3,000 gallons.
- Each additional 1,000 gallons over the 3,000 gallons monthly allotted minimum will be billed at **\$10.00 per 1,000 gallons**.

This rate adjustment is necessary due to the implementation of a new 20-year sewer treatment agreement among the Royalton Borough Authority, the Borough of Middletown, Middletown Water Joint Venture LLC, and Veolia Water Contract Operations USA, Inc. Under this agreement, Royalton Borough's sewage continues to be conveyed to the Middletown treatment plant for processing.

The updated rates reflect revised sewer capacity and treatment fees, as well as Royalton's required contribution toward future capital improvement projects outlined in the agreement.

These projects are vital to ensuring the continued safety, efficiency, and sustainability of the sewer system, while maintaining compliance with regulatory standards and protecting public health and the environment.

We understand that any increase in utility rates can be challenging, and this decision was made after careful consideration. The Borough Authority and Borough Council remain committed to transparency, fiscal responsibility, and the long-term reliability of our community's utility infrastructure.

Respectfully,

Royalton Borough Council
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