

RESOLUTION OF INTENT

A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO INCREASE THE FLATHEAD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT 101 RATES AND CHARGES TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JULY 6, 2016 AND SET A DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.

Whereas, the water rates and charges that are in effect at the present time are not adequate to provide revenues to defray the costs of operation, maintenance, and capital of the distribution Facilities and Systems for the Flathead County Water District 101.

Whereas, the water rates were reviewed to insure that charges are reasonable and just by Flathead County Water District 101 Board of Directors and the engineer of record for the district. The rates are to be set at the target rate for public water systems of this size in Montana.

Whereas, the provision of the water systems and facilities is essential to the preservation of the public health and welfare and that the new rate must before taking effect be approved by the Board of the Flathead County Water District 101 after advertising and conducting a public hearing pursuant to the rules and regulations (MCA 69-7-111 and FCWD Bylaws Article VI-(9-12) and Article VII-(1))

Whereas, the current budgetary requirements with respect to the operation of said facilities in addition to the proposed emergency repair work to portions of the system require that the rates become effective on July 6, 2016 if the board of directors approves the increase in rates at the July 5, 2016 meeting.

Whereas, pursuant to Montana Law, the board of directors has determined that a public hearing must be advertised and held to gather public testimony and input regarding the proposed increased in water rates and charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FLATHEAD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT 101 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

1. That the board of directors considers it both advisable and necessary to increase the municipal water rates for all users and proposes to increase the rates and charges per the attached Exhibit A rate schedule. Exhibit A is hereby incorporated in to the Resolution by reference.
2. That a public hearing will be held on July 5, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Badrock Volunteer Fire Department. The public hearing and discussion will be followed by a board discussion and a vote on the proposed water rate increase.
3. Notice of the hearing shall be posted in conformance with MCA 7-1-4127 in a local newspaper between 21 and 28 days prior to the hearing.

4. Additionally the notice of hearing shall be mailed at least seven (7) days and not more than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing to all known residences/businesses served by the Water System.

Introduced at a regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors on June 7, 2016.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Board of Directors of the Flathead County Water District 101

This day June 7, 2016 and APPROVED by the PRESIDENT this 5th Day of July, 2016

Flathead County Water District

Joanna Adams

Joanna Adams, President

ATTEST:

Linda Bosworth

Linda Bosworth, Vice President

EXHIBIT A

FLATHEAD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT 101

RATES AND CHARGES

AND

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

OFFICIAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Flathead County Water District 101 will hold a public hearing on July 5, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Badrock Volunteer Fire Department located in Columbia Falls, MT regarding proposed water rate increases.

THE WATER DISTRICT IS PROPOSING TO MODIFY THE RATES AS FOLLOWS:

The current rate is \$21.65 per month per EDU (Equivalent Dwelling Unit) and the proposed rate is to be \$44.46 per month per EDU.