

TOWN OF PINETOPS NEWSLETTER

SOLID WASTE GUIDELINES

The Town can take a breath of relief as we have finally closed on and received our new knuckleboom truck so bulk and yard waste pick-ups can resume as usual. Unfortunately, due to multiple fees for contamination of putting non-recyclable and trash items in the recycling the Town of Pinetops will no longer be offering this service to residents. We are allowing all customers to keep their blue recycle cans to fill with garbage and both cans will be collected on Mondays as regularly scheduled. We ask that all customers put their garbage cans out on Sunday night since they start collecting early in the morning to beat the heat. Make sure to space cans at least 3 feet apart, the lid is fully closed and there are no obstructions such as cars or other bags of trash surrounding the cans in order to be collected. In the event your garbage was not collected, you noticed **after** Monday (Collection Day) and there is a yellow sticker left on your can the penalty will be not getting your trash dumped until the following week. Yard waste will continue to be picked up on Wednesday's and bulk items such as furniture will be collected on Thursday's.

RATE INCREASE

The Town of Pinetops received a rate increase from the City of Wilson this year that unfortunately had to be passed along to our customers as of July 1st. The following are the new rates.

New Electric Residential

\$14.82 base charge

0.1476/kwh under or over 750 kwh

Old Electric Commercial

\$17.45 base charge

0.1988 per kwh from 0-1400kwh

0.1289 over 1400kwh

Old Electric Residential

\$13.66 base charge

0.1360/kwh under or over 750 kwh

New Commercial Electric rate

\$18.93 base charge

0.2157 per kwh from 0-1400kwh

0.1398 per kwh over 1400kwh

To calculate the rate changes and how much it'll affect your bills, here is an example:

New Residential Electric Rate

1241 kwh x 0.1476/kwh = 183.17

\$183.17 + \$14.82 = \$197.99

\$197.99 x 0.07 sales tax = \$13.86

\$197.99 + \$13.86 = \$211.85

Old Residential Electric Rate

1241 kwh x 0.1360/kwh = 168.78

\$168.78 + \$13.66 = \$182.44

\$182.44 x 0.07 sales tax = \$12.77

\$182.44 + \$12.77 = \$195.21

Between the old and new rate there is about a \$16 difference this would equate to a .55 cent more for each day of the month.

New Commercial Electric Rate

5500 kwh x 0.1398/kwh = \$768.90

Old Commercial Electric Rate

5500 kwh x 0.1289/kwh = \$708.95

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$$\$768.90 + \$18.93 = \$787.83$$

$$\$787.83 \times 0.07 \text{ sales tax} = \$55.15$$

$$\$787.83 + \$55.15 = \$842.98$$

There is a \$65.73 difference between the old and new commercial electric rates.

In order to qualify for grant opportunities, the sewer rates must be set accordingly.

Old Sewer Rate Inside Town

\$25.44 base charge

\$7.31/1000 gallons from 0-3000 gallons

\$7.52/1000 gallons from 3001-5000 gallons

\$7.61/1000 gallons from 5001-15000 gallons

\$7.71/1000 gallons from 15,001 gal or more

Old Sewer Rate Outside Town

\$43.96 base charge

\$8.75/1000 gallons from 0-3000 gallons

\$8.93/1000 gallons from 3001-5000 gallons

\$9.16/1000 gallons from 5001-15000 gallons

\$9.32/1000 gallons from 15001 gal or more

$$\$708.95 + \$17.45 = \$726.40$$

$$\$726.40 \times 0.07 \text{ sales tax} = \$50.85$$

$$\$726.40 + \$50.85 = \$777.25$$

New Sewer Rate Inside Town

\$27.28 base charge

\$7.84/1000 gallons from 0-3000 gallons

\$8.07/1000 gallons from 3001-5000 gallons

\$8.16/1000 gallons from 5001-15000 gallons

\$8.27/1000 gallons from 15,001 gal or more

New Sewer Rate Outside Town

\$47.15 base charge

\$9.38/1000 gallons from 0-3000 gallons

\$9.58/1000 gallons from 3001-5000 gallons

\$9.82/1000 gallons from 5001-15000 gallons

\$10.00/1000 gallons from 15001 gal or more

To calculate rate changes and how much it'll affect your bills, here is an example:

Old Sewer Rate Inside Town

$$1500\text{gal} \times 0.00731 = \$10.97$$

$$\$25.44 + \$10.97 = \$36.41$$

There is a \$2.63 difference between the old inside sewer rate and the new inside sewer rate.

Old Sewer Rate Outside Town

$$1500\text{-gal} \times 0.00875 = \$13.13$$

$$\$43.96 + \$13.13 = \$57.09$$

There is a \$4.13 difference between the old outside sewer rate and the new outside sewer rate.

New Sewer Rate Inside Town

$$1500\text{gal} \times 0.00784 = \$11.76$$

$$\$27.28 + \$11.76 = \$39.04$$

New Sewer Rate Outside Town

$$1500\text{-gal} \times 0.00938 = \$14.07$$

$$\$47.15 + \$14.07 = \$61.22$$

If you have any questions about the rates, calculations, or would like to be added to our ALLCALL (information call list) please contact the Town Hall at (252)827-4435 or come inside the office and we will happily help.