

WATER RATES ORDINANCE

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Waterville Estates Village District Board of Commissioners by the provisions of RSA 38:26-29, the Commission hereby adopts the following bylaws:

1. **Water Rates.** There shall be assessed on an annual basis, on July 1 of each year, a water fee in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) on all living units in the Village District for the calendar year of the date of the assessment.
2. **Water Fund.** The amount of the assessments shall be deposited in a water fund, as provided for in RSA 38:29,I and shall be administered as provided in paragraphs 38:29,II and III, and held by the treasurer.
3. **Purposes.** The purposes of the annual assessments shall include the defraying of expenses associated with the development and maintenance of wells and the water distribution system, increasing water capacity, and operations and maintenance.
4. **Reporting.** A report of Annual Expenditures shall be prepared by the Commission, and made available at the annual district meeting.
5. **Liens and Collection of Charges.** In accordance with RSA 38:22II(c) the Commission shall collect charges for services by direct billing on an annual basis. All charges which are delinquent shall have a lien placed upon the real estate of the owner in the Waterville Estates Village District (WEVD) for 18 months from the date of the last unpaid bill, unless the Village District records in the Registry of Deeds for the county in which the land is situated notice of lien, in which case the lien shall continue for 6 years from the date of the last unpaid bill. The lien may be enforced by suit by the WEVD against the owner of the real estate. In such a suit the WEVD shall have the right to a judgement for per year charges, interest at the rate of

12% from the date of the last unpaid bill to the date of judgement. The records of hook up water use in the WEVD shall be sufficient notice to maintain suit upon the lien against subsequent purchasers or attaching creditors of the real estate.

6. **Effective Date.** These by-laws shall take effect on January 1, 2018.