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**NESKOWIN REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-04**

**A RESOLUTION REVISING THE ASSESSMENT METHOD FOR  
SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES**

**WHEREAS**, the Neskowin Regional Water District (NRWD) is a municipal corporation and water district formed under ORS Chapter 264 authorized by statute to adopt a system development charge; and

**WHEREAS**, the NRWD Resolutions Nos. 93-8, 2003-4, 2005-6, 2006-5 and 2006-6 provided for water system development charges; and

**WHEREAS**, the NRWD Resolution 2006-5 Section 6 paragraph "D" sets forth periodic application of an adopted cost index; and

**WHEREAS**, the NRWD adopted an updated Water System Master Plan for needed capital improvements dated February, 2015, but the proportion of funding to be obtained from Systems Development Charges remains unchanged; and

**WHEREAS**, many Oregon water districts have changed their rate structure from being based on type of use to being based on meter size, as this is a less subjective and fairer method of allocating cost; and

**WHEREAS**, the NRWD wishes to change its rate structure to meter size, and has determined that a Residential Equivalency Unit (REU) uses on average 3,000 gallons of water per month, and the meter size necessary for that use is a 5/8" x 3/4" meter. The current SDC is \$10,890.00 per REU, and thus the current SDC for a 5/8" x 3/4" meter should be \$10,890.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the NRWD meters are manufactured by Kamstrup, and the Kamstrup Manufacturing Guidelines state that the flow for a 1" meter is 2.2 times a 3/4" meter, and a 2" meter is 6.4 times a 3/4" meter; and

**WHEREAS**, THE NRWD has not received any requests for a public hearing pursuant to ORS 223.3009.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY** the Board of Commissioners of the Neskowin Regional Water District, that SDC rates will be imposed as follows:

1. New Customers to the District will be charged an SDC based upon their estimated water flow needs and water meter size.
2. SDC Charges:
  - 2.1. A 5/8" x 3/4" Meter with a maximum flow rate of twenty-five (25) gallons per minute for an SDC charge of \$10,890.
  - 2.2. A 1" Meter maximum flow is 2.2 times more than a 3/4" meter, with a rate of fifty-five (55) gallons per minute, for an SDC charge of \$23,958.
  - 2.3. A 2" Meter maximum flow is 6.4 times more than a 3/4" meter, with a rate of one hundred and sixty (160) gallons per minute, for an SDC charge of \$69,696.
  - 2.4. SDC rates will be annually adjusted in accordance with the Engineering News-Record's Construction Price Index.
3. Customers that have water volume demand that regularly exceeds their water meter maximum flow rate will be required to pay a prorated SDC charge and for the installation of a larger meter with accompanying larger water service line.
4. Customers whose service predates July 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 that have water meters that are larger than 5/8" x 3/4" but whose water volume demand rarely exceeds their existing water meters maximum flow rate as listed above in subsection 2, will be replaced with a smaller more correctly sized meter at no charge to the customer.

Adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Neskowin Regional Water District the 30th day of July, 2020.

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Steve Rubert, President

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Gary Dunn, Secretary