



# Lake County Illinois

## Legislation Text

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Ordinance amending water and sanitary sewer related rates and fees for certain Lake County systems.

- Chapter 51 of the Lake County Code of Ordinances establishes all water and sewer user rates, connection fees and additional charges for use of the County's water and sewer systems.
- The Ordinance is revised periodically to modify rates and fees, as necessary.
- The County has engaged Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, Inc. who recently completed a rate study and Applied Technologies Inc. who recently completed a connection fee study to establish new retail rates and connection fees for 2015, 2016 and 2017.
- The Ordinance modifies several water and sewer rates and connection fees, and establishes an inclining block water rate in an effort to promote water conservation for residential properties.
- The ordinance also reduces the minimum monthly usage charge from 3,000 to 2,000 gallons per month and modifies the summer sewer credit cap from 110 percent to 120 percent.
- Notice will be provided to the municipalities receiving wholesale sanitary sewer service of an adjustment in user fees and connection fees.
- Revised user fees will become effective December 1, 2015.

### **ORDINANCE**

**WHEREAS**, the County Board incorporated Chapter 51: Water and Sewer Rates and Charges, into the Lake County Code; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 51 establishes all water and sewer user rates, connection fees and additional charges for use of the County's water and sewer systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ordinance is revised periodically to modify rates and fees, as necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the County engaged Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, Inc. to complete a Rate Study and Applied Technologies, Inc. to complete a Connection Fee Study to establish modified rates and fees for 2015, 2016 and 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the modified rates and fees established in Sections 51.16 through 51.28 are attached as Exhibit A.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the water and sewer rates, connection fees and additional charges, attached as Exhibit A hereto, be adopted and be made effective on dates as identified in various sections of Chapter 51.

**DATED**, at **WAUKEGAN, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**, on this 13th day of October, A.D., 2015.