Proposed Amendments to the Town of Round Hill Water & Sewer Ordinances

Water Ordinance Article VII

Section 7.4 For those premises occupied by property-<u>owner customers and tenant-customers</u>, the Town shall require <u>that</u> a deposit be paid prior to establishing a customer account. The amount of said deposit shall be periodically set by the Town Council and shall be the equivalent of the three average monthly charges for premises of similar use. Property <u>owner customers</u> and tenant-customers are required to notify the Town at lease thirty (30) days in advance prior to leaving the property and to provide a valid forwarding address to the Town. Any amount of the deposit remaining after payment for all charges assessable to the tenant customer's use of the water shall be refunded, without interest, <u>after all payments have been received</u>. at the time the account is closed. In addition, a one-time, non-refundable, administrative processing fee shall also be periodically set by the Town Council. <u>Only one deposit shall be collected for combined water and sewer accounts</u>.

Sewer Ordinance Article IX, Billing:

Billing for sewer service will be at the rate established by the Town Council and will be based on water usage as determined by water meter readings. If a private well, or other water source is used, the Town will install a meter, at the customer's cost, between the water source and the building. Readings on the meter will serve as the means for computing sewer service charges. At its discretion, the Town may install a meter, at the customer's cost, directly on the sewer line to measure flow. In which case, the sewer meter readings will serve as the basis for billing. Sewer customers are subject to the billing regulations in the Town Water Ordinance and any associated penalties are applicable to provision of sewer services.

The Town shall require that a deposit be paid prior to establishing a customer account. The amount of said deposit shall be periodically set by the Town Council and shall be the equivalent of the three average monthly charges for premises of similar use. A sewer only account requires a deposit; a combined water/sewer account requires only one deposit. Property owner customers and tenant-customers are required to notify the Town at lease thirty (30) days in advance prior to leaving the property and to provide a valid forwarding address to the Town. Any amount of the deposit remaining after payment for all charges assessable to the tenant customer's use of the water shall be refunded, without interest, after all payments have been received. at the time the account is closed. In addition, a one-time, non-refundable, administrative processing fee shall be levied to cover the Town's cost in administering these accounts. The administrative fee shall also be periodically set by the Town Council.