

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ELLINGTON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
PROPOSED GRINDER PUMP POLICY AND
PROPOSED SEWER USER CHARGE

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Crystal Lake Sewer System

Crystal Lake annual fixed fees (all users)	\$274
Crystal Lake variable fees (full-year users)	\$812
Crystal Lake variable fees (seasonal users)	\$543

Said charges will be effective October 1, 2026.

Tom Modzelewski, Administrator
Water Pollution Control Authority

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join:

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Meeting ID: 267 598 179 681 885

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TOWN OF ELLINGTON
WPCA
BUDGET REPORT 2026-27

		2025-26 Budget Approved	2026-27 Budget Requested		2026-27 User Fees Fixed	2026-27 User Fees Variable
HOCKANUM SEWER SYSTEM						
REVENUES						
5302.00.05302.00.40660	Hockanum River Assessments	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00			
5302.00.05302.00.40656	Hockanum Sewer User Fees	\$ 2,793,268.06	\$ 2,773,455.44			
5302.00.05302.00.40662	Hockanum Developer Agreement	\$0.00	\$0.00			
5302.00.05302.00.40658	Hockanum Sewer Permits	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00			
5302.00.05302.00.40645	Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00			
	VPS AARP	\$0.00	\$0.00			
5302.00.05302.00.60852	Capital Reserves Transfer	\$0.00	\$0.00			
5302.00.05302.00.40601	Investment Earnings	\$125,000.00	\$140,000.00 Estimated			
	Total	\$2,973,268.06	\$2,968,455.44			
EXPENDITURES						
0460 - WPCA MAINTENANCE-						
5302.00.05302.00.50101	Full Time	\$ 196,320.32	\$ 197,631.00	2080 Hours, 1 Crew Chief, 2 Technician 1s @ 80% Recording Secretary	\$ 197,631.00	
5302.00.05302.00.50102	Overtime	\$ 18,210.15	\$ 19,221.15	80%	\$ 19,221.15	
5302.00.05302.00.50151	Medical, Dental, Vision (3 employees)	\$ 60,668.00	\$ 67,441.60	80%	\$ 67,441.60	
5302.00.05302.00.50149	FICA & 401a	\$ 37,918.00	\$ 40,075.20	80%	\$ 40,075.20	
5302.00.05302.00.60273	Motor Vehicle Repairs	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	80%	\$ 17,000.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60354	Equipment Parts	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 15,000.00			\$ 15,000.00
5302.00.05302.00.60758	Vernon Pump Station	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00			\$ 5,000.00
5302.00.05302.00.60759	New Equipment	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 5,000.00			\$ 5,000.00
5302.00.05302.00.60760	Repairs To WPCA System	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00			\$ 100,000.00
5302.00.05302.00.60762	Training-Labor & Physicals	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	
	DEPARTMENT TOTAL	\$469,116.47	\$467,368.95		\$ 342,368.95	\$ 125,000.00
0465 - WPCA-ADMIN-HOCKANUM						
5302.00.05302.00.50103	Part Time	\$775.00	\$0.00	Moved to full time	\$0.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60221	Advertising Printing Forms	\$1,200.00	\$600.00		\$600.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60222	Dues & Subscriptions	\$80.00	\$80.00		\$80.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60223	Travel	\$250.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60230	Equipment Rental	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60232	Postage	\$1,760.00	\$1,760.00		\$1,760.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60234	Professional Development	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60240	Telephone	\$1,200.00	\$1,225.00	80% Phil's Phone, Cell phone Stipends		\$1,225.00
5302.00.05302.00.60241	Electricity	\$35,000.00	\$40,000.00			\$40,000.00
5302.00.05302.00.60243	Water	\$650.00	\$650.00			\$650.00
5302.00.05302.00.60250	Contracted Services	\$25,500.00	\$20,000.00		\$20,000.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60252	Consultant	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60271	Repairs Mnt Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
5302.00.05302.00.60287	WPCA/Damage	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
5302.00.05302.00.60290	Legal	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60291	Legal-Developers	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60292	Engineers	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00		\$50,000.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60293	Engineers-Developers	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60294	Town of Vernon	\$1,350,000.00	\$1,350,000.00			\$1,350,000.00
5302.00.05302.00.60296	Town Admin Charge	30,617.60	31,112.80	80/20 Split - Tom & Carolyn 5hrs/week, Carolina 4hrs/week	31,112.80	
5302.00.05302.00.60298	Developer Connection Reimbursement	\$0.00	\$0.00		-	
5302.00.05302.00.60305	Depreciation	\$355,745.00	\$395,000.00	Per Finance Dept. recommendation	395,000.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60341	Office Supplies	\$500.00	\$500.00		500.00	
5302.00.05302.00.60354	Material & Equipment Parts	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
5302.00.05302.00.60751	Capital Outlay Asst Sewer	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
5302.00.05302.00.60753	West Road Sewer Reconstruction	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
5302.00.05302.00.60754	Mountain Road Sewer	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
5302.00.05302.00.60865	Debt payments-Vernon Plant Upgrades	\$584,771.19	\$584,771.19	Line item until 2040		\$584,771.19
5302.00.05302.00.60763	Facilities Plan	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
	Investment Income	\$0.00	(\$140,000.00)		(\$70,000.00)	(\$70,000.00)
	Hockanum River Assessments	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)		(\$25,000.00)	(\$25,000.00)
	Hockanum Sewer Assessments	\$0.00	(\$5,000.00)		(\$2,500.00)	(\$2,500.00)
	DEPARTMENT TOTAL	\$2,440,548.79	\$2,283,198.99		\$404,052.80	\$1,879,146.19
	GRAND TOTAL	\$2,909,665.26	\$2,750,567.94		\$ 746,421.75	\$ 2,004,146.19
YE TOTAL						
			Variable Charge = Total Variable Expenses/Total Annual Flow (250M gallons)		\$ 0.0080166	Price per gallon of flow.
			FEE = Total Fixed Expenses/Total Number of Users (2947)	\$ 253.00	\$ 401.00	Well rate = AVG of all metered users.
	50000	50000	Total FIXED + VARIABLE (Well Users) Annual/Half	\$ 654.00	\$ 327.00	
01-04-00-00468-95-60950			Hock CT Water Users - 2541	\$ 642,873.00	\$ 1,865,058.44	\$ 2,507,931.44
			Hock Well Users - 406	\$ 102,718.00	\$ 162,806.00	\$ 265,524.00
1000.02.00280.20.60250	Contracted Services- WPCA		TOTAL	\$	\$	\$ 2,773,455.44

TOWN OF ELLINGTON
ENTERPRISE FUND/SEWER AUTHORITY-HOCKANUM SEWER SYSTEM
FIXED ASSET/DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE
FISCAL YEAR 2024 - 25

PURCHASED DATE	ITEM	USEFUL LIFE YRS	YEARLY AMOUNT	FIXED ASSET ORIGINAL COST	ADDITIONS	DISPOSALS	FIXED ASSET NEW TOTAL	A/D 6/30/2024	Depreciation FY2025	Disposals	ACUM/DEPR 6/30/2025	FIXED ASSET/ NET YEAR END 30-Jun-25
INFRASTRUCTURE												
	HOCKANUM SEWER SYSTEM	50	127,547.00	6,377,350.00	-	-	6,377,350.00	5,482,286.00	127,547.00	-	5,609,833.00	767,517.00
	HOCKANUM SEWER SYS-UPGRADE	50	21,209.00	1,060,418.69	-	-	1,060,418.69	549,678.00	21,209.00	-	570,887.00	489,531.69
20 YEARS	UPGRADE TO WINDSORVILLE PUMP STATION AT VERNON SEWER TREATMENT PLANT	20	16,535.00	330,716.14	-	-	330,716.14	330,716.14	-	-	330,716.14	-
2005-06	FAIRVIEW AVENUE EXTENSION	50	1,965.00	98,220.00	-	-	98,220.00	37,335.00	1,965.00	-	39,300.00	58,920.00
2001-02	WINDERMERE SEWER EXT	50	100.00	5,006.00	-	-	5,006.00	2,300.00	100.00	-	2,400.00	2,606.00
2000-01	QUARRY STREET	50	441.00	22,027.24	-	-	22,027.24	10,584.00	441.00	-	11,025.00	11,002.24
2000-01	CHARTER RD/ERTEL DR SEWER	50	8,616.00	430,787.38	-	-	430,787.38	205,371.00	8,616.00	-	213,987.00	216,800.38
1999-00	UPPER BUTCHER ROAD SEWER	50	1,209.00	60,448.42	-	-	60,448.42	30,225.00	1,209.00	-	31,434.00	29,014.42
1989-90	ELLINGTON AVE SEWER LINE	50	652.00	32,613.00	-	-	32,613.00	22,820.00	652.00	-	23,472.00	9,141.00
1989-90	TOWN VERNON/EXTRA CAPACITY	50	5,694.00	284,700.00	-	-	284,700.00	199,290.00	5,694.00	-	204,984.00	79,716.00
1993-94	VILLAGE STREET SEWER LINE	50	1,662.00	83,086.72	-	-	83,086.72	51,522.00	1,662.00	-	53,184.00	29,902.72
1995-96	MOSER DRIVE	50	3,952.00	197,603.33	-	-	197,603.33	114,608.00	3,952.00	-	118,560.00	79,043.33
1998-99	PUMP STATION AT DPW GARAGE	50	3,350.00	167,498.40	-	-	167,498.40	85,401.00	3,350.00	-	88,751.00	78,747.40
2008-09	MOUNTAIN ROAD SEWER	50	2,987.00	149,328.66	-	-	149,328.66	47,786.45	2,987.00	-	50,773.45	98,555.21
2009-10	AIRPORT SEWER PROJECT	50	41,817.00	2,090,829.18	-	-	2,090,829.18	627,255.00	41,817.00	-	669,072.00	1,421,757.18
2010-11	WEST ROAD SEWERS	50	7,247.00	362,371.87	-	-	362,371.87	101,458.00	7,247.00	-	108,705.00	253,666.87
2010-11	ORCHARD STREET SEWER	50	3,404.00	170,204.50	-	-	170,204.50	47,614.00	3,404.00	-	51,018.00	119,186.50
2012-13	SENIOR CENTER SEWER PROJECT	50	120.68	6,034.11	-	-	6,034.11	1,387.82	120.68	-	1,508.50	4,525.61
2013-14	ELLINGTON AVENUE SEWER	50	2,676.00	133,800.87	-	-	133,800.87	29,436.00	2,676.00	-	32,112.00	101,688.87
2015-16	UPPER BUTCHER ROAD EXTENSION	50	1,166.75	58,337.85	-	-	58,337.85	10,500.75	1,166.75	-	11,667.50	46,670.35
2015-16	MAIN STREET SEWERS	50	7,430.87	370,381.12	1,162.50	-	371,543.62	66,854.58	7,430.87	-	74,285.45	297,258.17
2015-16	MCKNIGHT HUGHES LEWIS CIRCLES	50	4,805.60	239,217.38	1,062.50	-	240,279.88	43,165.36	4,805.60	-	47,970.96	192,308.92
2019-20	STEIN ROAD SANITARY SEWER	50	11,030.63	551,531.35	-	-	551,531.35	49,637.84	11,030.63	-	60,668.47	490,862.88
2021-22	STEIN ROAD SANITARY SEWER	50	507.81	25,390.50	-	-	25,390.50	1,523.43	507.81	-	2,031.24	23,359.26
2023-24	SEWER MAIN - MOSER DR & FARMSTEAD LN	50	3,220.56	161,028.00	-	-	161,028.00	3,220.56	3,220.56	-	6,441.12	154,586.88
2024-25	ELL AVE SEWER EXT	50	3,042.04	152,102.00	-	-	152,102.00	-	3,042.04	-	3,042.04	149,059.96
EQUIPMENT												
06/11/90	SAFETY EQUIPMENT	10	497.00	4,970.00	-	-	4,970.00	4,970.00	-	-	4,970.00	-
05/14/90	PUMPS	10	182.00	1,815.00	-	-	1,815.00	1,815.00	-	-	1,815.00	-
05/14/90	PUMPS	10	820.00	8,200.00	-	-	8,200.00	8,200.00	-	-	8,200.00	-
11/19/93	SAFETY EQUIPMENT/BLOWER	10	152.00	1,522.00	-	-	1,522.00	1,522.00	-	-	1,522.00	-
9/30/1994	SAFETY EQUIPMENT/OSHA CONF W/S	10	818.00	8,181.71	-	-	8,181.71	8,181.71	-	-	8,181.71	-
6/7/2006	HUDSON-20 TON TRAILER	5	600.00	3,000.00	-	-	3,000.00	3,000.00	-	-	3,000.00	-
6/20/2008	2002 VACTOR RAMJET PIPE CLEANER TRUCK	5	11,000.00	55,000.00	-	-	55,000.00	55,000.00	-	-	55,000.00	-
11/13/2007	JWC ENVIRONMENTAL MECHANICAL GRINDER	10	2,814.00	28,141.00	-	-	28,141.00	28,141.00	-	-	28,141.00	-
8/27/2010	BOBCAT OF CONNECTICUT	10	258.00	2,582.18	-	-	2,582.18	2,582.18	-	-	2,582.18	-
6/13/2011	ELECTRIC TECH-MIXER MEADOWBROOK PS	10	862.00	8,622.00	-	-	8,622.00	8,622.00	-	-	8,622.00	-
6/27/2014	2015-GMC TRUCK	5	12,404.00	62,019.62	-	-	62,019.62	62,019.62	-	-	62,019.62	-
6/30/2023	High School Pump Station Pump	10	2,019.00	20,190.00	-	-	20,190.00	4,038.00	2,019.00	-	6,057.00	14,133.00
6/30/2023	Missions System Upgrade	10	2,404.15	24,041.50	-	-	24,041.50	4,808.30	2,404.15	-	7,212.45	16,829.05
6/30/2023	Control Panel Upgrade	10	3,600.00	36,000.00	-	-	36,000.00	7,200.00	3,600.00	-	10,800.00	25,200.00
6/30/2023	Center Pump Station Pump	10	907.50	9,075.00	-	-	9,075.00	1,815.00	907.50	-	2,722.50	6,352.50
6/30/2023	Vernon Pump Station Pump	10	1,047.70	10,477.00	-	-	10,477.00	2,095.40	1,047.70	-	3,143.10	7,333.90
6/30/2024	Hockanum Pump	10	996.60	9,966.00	-	-	9,966.00	996.60	996.60	-	1,993.20	7,972.80
6/30/2025	Meadowbrook Spare Pump	10	996.60	9,966.00	-	-	9,966.00	-	996.60	-	996.60	8,969.40
6/30/2025	Wet Well Ejectors	10	1,972.68	19,726.84	-	-	19,726.84	-	1,972.68	-	1,972.68	17,754.16
6/30/2025	Grinder Pumps	10	2,863.00	28,630.00	-	-	28,630.00	-	2,863.00	-	2,863.00	25,767.00
6/30/2025	Ketch Brook Pump Generator	10	7,361.20	73,612.00	-	-	73,612.00	-	7,361.20	-	7,361.20	66,250.80

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**Ellington WPCA
HOCK Capital
Improvements
5-Year Outlook**

PROJECT	CURRENT	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	COMMENTS	Year 2 Budget Impact
	2025-2026	2026-2027	2027-2028	2028-2029	2029-2030	2030-2031		
EQUIPMENT								
SERVICE TRUCK	\$ 100,000.00						10 year replacement cycle	10,0000/YR - 10 years
SEWER JET TRUCK							Place holder	
VACUUM TRAILER			\$ 72,000.00				Place holder	
DPW ATS INSTALLATION					\$ 20,000.00		Install Automatic Transfer Switch at DPW	
PUMP REPLACEMENT					\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	Replace misc pump station pumps	
FACILITIES								
MANHOLE REPAIRS					\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	Repair Misc. Manholes	
I & I RESTORATIONS	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00			\$ 100,000.00	I&I Work	1666/YR - 30 years
HIGH SCHOOL GENERATOR	\$ 100,000.00							3333/YR - 30 years
P.S. DRIVEWAY PAVING					\$ 25,000.00		Repave all Pump Station Driveways	
VALVE PIT REHAB		\$ 50,000.00					High School, Ketch Brook, 140	1666/YR - 30 years
SEWER EXTENSIONS		\$ 400,000.00	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 500,000.00			Extension on Windermere	16666/yr - 30 years
ADMINISTRATION								
	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 550,000.00	\$ 572,000.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 195,000.00	\$ 250,000.00		



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