

NHPUC NO. 3 - WATER

HAMPSTEAD AREA WATER COMPANY

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FOR

WATER SERVICE

IN

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Dated: November 24, 2020

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Title: Vice President

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GENERAL SERVICE - METERED

RATE SCHEDULE –GM

AVAILABILITY: This schedule is available to all metered water service in the Company’s following franchise areas:

Atkinson:	Atkinson Core System (Walnut Ridge), Dearborn Ridge
Chester:	Oak Hill, Lincoln Lane
Danville:	Colby Pond
East Kingston:	Cricket Hill/Maplevale
Fremont	Black Rocks Village
Town of Hampstead:	Hampstead Core System
Kingston:	Lamplighter Estates, Coopers Grove, Kings Landing
Newton	Sargent Woods
Nottingham:	Camelot Court
Plaistow:	Rainbow Ridge, Little River Village, Snow’s Brook
Salem:	Lancaster Farm, Tisdale Trailer Park
Sandown:	Stoneford, Autumn Hills, Mills Woods, Waterford Village, Fairfield Estates, Wells Village, Kelley Green
Sandown/Fremont:	Cornerstone Estates
Strafford	Bow Lake Estates

CHARACTER OF SERVICE:

The Company will make every effort to maintain normal pressures but shall not be liable for the failure of either the supply or the distribution system when such failure is due to the elements, natural causes, breaks, leaks, unusual or concurrent droughts, or waste or unlawful use of water. Outdoor use may be restricted.

RATES: Water Rates (Monthly Rate)

i. 3/8 inch meter	\$11.92
ii. 3/4 inch meter	\$27.87
iii. 1 inch meter	\$54.45
iv. 1 1/2 inch meter	\$107.61
v. 2 inch meter	\$139.50

All Consumption - \$6.90 per 100 cubic feet

TERMS OF PAYMENT:

Bills under this rate are net and will be rendered monthly and are due and payable upon presentation. All accounts more than twenty five (25) days past due will be assessed a late fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per month at the discretion of the Company.

Authorized by NH PUC Order # 26,153 in Docket DW 17-145 dated June 26, 2018, Order # 26,195 in Docket DW 17-118 dated November 29, 2018, Order # 26,301 in Docket DW 19-011 dated October 22, 2019, and Order # 26,381 in Docket 19-031 dated July 21, 2020

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Rates reconciled to June 30, 2021, authorized by Order No. 26,566

MUNICIPAL FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE-ATKINSON

RATE SCHEDULE - GM

AVAILABILITY:

This schedule is available to all municipal fire service in the Company's franchise area in the Atkinson Core System for the purposes of public safety, where such service is paid for from tax revenues by and of the Town of Atkinson:

CHARACTER OF SERVICE:

The Town shall notify the Company, either through its Fire Department, by receipt of Town approved Site Plans, or in writing showing an appropriate vote by the governing body of the Town stating where hydrants are to be placed that the Town requests. Such notification must be received by the Company before hydrant installation will begin. The Company will make every effort to maintain normal pressures at all times on the distribution system but shall not be held liable for the failure of either the supply or distribution division of its system to adequately furnish its normal quantity of water when such failure is due to the elements, natural causes, breaks, leaks, unusual or concurrent droughts, or the waste or unlawful use of water. The installation and maintenance of fire hydrants, and the supplying of water through such hydrants, is for the sole use of authorized firefighting personnel for the control and extinguishment of any fire, or for any other use authorized by the Company.

RATES:

Annual Municipal Fire Protection Charge: \$93,615.00 per annum, payable in advance plus any additional State and Federal taxes on CIAC payments or the CIAC value created by the contribution of each fire hydrant.

TERMS OF PAYMENT:

Bills under this rate are net and will be rendered annually in October and are due and payable upon presentation.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

All hydrants, lead valves, branches and other appurtenances shall remain the property of the Company.

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MUNICIPAL FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE-HAMPSTEAD

RATE SCHEDULE - GM

AVAILABILITY:

This schedule is available to all municipal fire service in the Company's franchise area in the Hampstead Core System for the purposes of public safety, where such service is paid for from tax revenues by and of the Town of Hampstead:

CHARACTER OF SERVICE:

The Town shall notify the Company, either through its Fire Department, by receipt of Town approved Site Plans, or in writing showing an appropriate vote by the governing body of the Town stating where hydrants are to be placed that the Town requests. Such notification must be received by the Company before hydrant installation will begin. The Company will make every effort to maintain normal pressures at all times on the distribution system but shall not be held liable for the failure of either the supply or distribution division of its system to adequately furnish its normal quantity of water when such failure is due to the elements, natural causes, breaks, leaks, unusual or concurrent droughts, or the waste or unlawful use of water. The installation and maintenance of fire hydrants, and the supplying of water through such hydrants, is for the sole use of authorized firefighting personnel for the control and extinguishment of any fire, or for any other use authorized by the Company.

RATES:

Annual Municipal Fire Protection Charge: \$68,730.00 per annum, payable in advance, plus any additional State and Federal taxes on CIAC payments or the CIAC value created by the contribution of each fire hydrant.

TERMS OF PAYMENT:

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MUNICIPAL FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

Terms of Use for Hydrants in the Towns of Atkinson and Hampstead

Testing

- The company will test hydrants to establish baseline flow and notify the Town fire department when testing is scheduled so that they may observe. Hampstead Area Water Company (HAWC) will conduct the testing and document the findings.
- All hydrants on the system shall be tested and marked within the first year. Testing after the first year shall be made after any substantial improvement or impact on the system on the hydrants that will indicate the result of the impact. All new hydrants shall be tested for their fire flow capability. Other testing will follow AWWA recommendations.
- All testing will be done in accordance with the AWWA M17 standard. The testing will determine the amount of fire flow water available at 20 psi during peak demand times.
- Where feasible the company will design any transmission (main) line extensions to support a 1000 GPM fire flow.

Marking of hydrants:

- HAWC currently marks hydrants and agrees to work with the Town fire department to continue to do so.
- HAWC agrees to mark hydrants with a flag or other affixed device.
- Fire hydrant bonnets shall be color coded or otherwise marked with a Town fire department - approved system indicating the available flow capacity after a flow analysis is completed. The hydrant bonnet shall be painted in one of the colors listed below corresponding to its GPM.

- (1) Light blue [1,500 GPM or greater]
- (2) Green [1,000—1,499 GPM]
- (3) Orange [500–999 GPM]
- (4) Red [less than 500 GPM]

Clear Space Around Hydrants.

A 36 in. clear space shall be created around the circumference of newly installed fire hydrants except as otherwise required or approved by the Town fire department.

- A clear space of not less than 60 in. shall be created in front of each newly installed hydrant connection having a diameter greater than 2½ in.

Hydrants Out of Service.

- Where water supplies or fire hydrants are out of service for maintenance or repairs, a visible indicator shall be used to indicate that the hydrant is out of service.
- HAWC agrees to provide advance notice to the Town when it takes a hydrant off-line for more than 12 hours for maintenance.

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Additional details:

- HAWC agrees to meet with the Town fire department to review training plans. Town fire department must provide 48-hour advance notice to HAWC for all training other than hydrant training at the fire station hydrant with minimal water flow. Training other than hydrant training at the fire station hydrant with minimal water flow can occur up to four times per year. All training will not occur during peak summer month usage.
- Training shall be limited to four times a year per department; this is outside of the training and testing of new hydrants or new buildings protected by water-based fire suppression systems. Town fire department will provide the company with at least 48 hours of notice for testing of new buildings protected by water-based fire suppression systems.
- HAWC shall always maintain a minimum useable amount of 250,000 gallons of fire protection water available in its water storage system in its core system.
- All maintenance shall be the responsibility of HAWC and in compliance with the hydrant manufacturer's specifications. Any time the Town fire department operates a hydrant they are required to pump down the hydrant and seat the valve properly and provide notice to HAWC as soon as possible for inspection.
- Any hydrant it installs installed for temporary non-fire protection purposes will have a 2.5" discharge port.
- HAWC shall bill for the hydrants annually in October for the coming year at rates approved by the Commission, and every October thereafter until a change in fire protection rates are approved by the Commission.
- No Town fire department operation shall be permitted that would likely cause contamination of the water system.
- Any failures of the municipal fire protection system where the water main must be shut down for repair the Company will notify the Town fire department as soon as possible.
- All hydrants within the system shall have a 4.5" NSTM and two 2.5" discharge ports with caps. Hydrants shall be installed to the current AWWA standard. All hydrants shall have operating nuts that turn in the same direction, subject to Puc 606.03(b) requirements.
- HAWC shall be responsible for maintaining the system in good repair and functional barring failures due to acts of God, accidents (e.g. car crashes into hydrant), and vandalism. HAWC shall not be responsible for damage or repairs due to negligence of the fire department. (e.g. failing to pump down fire hydrants after use).

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- HAWC shall provide copies of its emergency response plans to the town’s fire chief, for the limited use of emergency personnel only.
- HAWC shall file the annual hydrant inspection reports required by PUC rules and provide a copy to the town’s fire chief.
- The approving authority for the placement of new hydrants shall be the Town fire chief or their designee in cooperation with the Planning Board provided the fire chief or their designee signs the company form authorizing the hydrant placement and payment for the hydrant in accordance with the existing tariff prior to installation.

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CHARACTER OF SERVICE:

The Company shall be notified, in writing, of an appropriate vote by the governing body of the city, town, village, or other political subdivision stating where hydrants or fire protection water supply distribution pipes are to be placed. Such notification must be received by the Company before the installation. The installation and maintenance of hydrants and the supplying of water through such hydrants is for the sole use of the authorized firefighting personnel for the control and extinguishment of any fire or for any other use authorized by the Company. Rendering of service under this schedule shall in no way be construed to hold the Company liable to furnish at any time or any specific point in its distribution system any minimum flow or pressure, either static or residual.

RATES:

Fire Protection Rate – System-Wide

Private Fire Service (Monthly Fee)

i. 1 ½ diameter pipe	\$2.49
ii. 2 inch diameter pipe	\$5.31
iii. 3 inch diameter pipe	\$15.43
iv. 4 inch diameter pipe	\$32.87
v. 6 inch diameter pipe	\$95.49

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All hydrants, lead valves, distribution pipes, branches, and other appurtenances up to the shut off valve service shall remain the property of the Company.

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