

Village of Beach Park Water and Sewer System

Water System

The Village of Beach Park owns and operates its own waterworks system. The Village purchases water from the City of Waukegan. The water is obtained from Lake Michigan and processed at the City of Waukegan facility.

The Village has two water service areas:

- Special Assessment Area 1, with approximate boundaries of Hendee Avenue to the South, Northshore Avenue to the West, and Yale Avenue to the North.
- Heatherstone, which is North of Wadsworth Road and West of Green Bay Road.

Connection to the municipal water supply is required for any lot improved with a principal structure used for human habitation and use, that abuts, or for which any portion is within 400 feet of, the Village waterworks system. Although, in 1994 when the water system was installed in the SAA1 area, the Village allowed the owners of property in this area the choice of connecting to the water system or remaining on their wells, Village Ordinance 13.04.050 requires connection to the municipal water system at transfer of title of the property. Also, connection is required if at any time the existing well is in need of major repairs. See Ordinance 13.04.050, A4, for details.

Application for connection to the Beach Park water system is made at the Village Hall.

For property in Special Assessment Area 1 where an assessment was paid, the hook-up fees are:

- \$625.00 Water meter permit, 3/4" water meter, parts and inspections
- \$ 70.00 Security deposit (residential) (Commercial deposit is \$200.00)
- \$695.00 Total
- Contractor fees are separate.
- If an assessment was not paid on a property, as in the instance of property being subdivided, there will be a connection fee added.

Water Rates:

- For customers connected to the Beach Park water system:
\$5.53 per 1,000 gallons
This rate was increased on 6/14/05 due to an increase by Waukegan and an increase in the Village's costs for providing potable water services.
- For customers in the water service area but not connected to the water system:
\$50.00 per year (billed \$8.33 bi-monthly)

Sewer System

The Village of Beach Park owns and operates its own sewer system to convey sewage to the North Shore Sanitary District for treatment and disposal. The Village sewer system is not available throughout the Village. It is available within water Special Assessment Area 1 and in the Heatherstone community. If you are not sure if your property has access to the sewer system phone the Village Public Works department.

Per Village of Beach Park Ordinances 13.08.040 and 13.08.060, the owner of all houses, buildings, or properties used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes situated within the Village and abutting on any street, alley, or right-of-way in which there is located a public sanitary sewer of the Village, is required to connect such facilities directly with the public sanitary sewer. Copies of these ordinances are available at the Village Hall.

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Permit fees:

- Connection charge (single family) \$750.00
- Permit fee \$200.00
- Total \$950.00
- A North Shore Sanitary Permit is required. (forms are available at the Village Hall)

Sewer Rates:

- For customers connected to both the Beach Park sewer and water systems:
\$.80 per 1,000 gallons.
- For customers connected only to the sewer system:
\$75.00 per year (billed \$12.50 bi-monthly)
- Customers located outside the Village of Beach Park but connected to Village sewers:
\$100.00 per year (billed \$16.66 bi-monthly)

Billing

Billing for water and sewer is bi-monthly.

Customers in the SAA1 area should receive their bills during the first week of January, March, May, July, September, and November. Customers in the Heatherstone area should receive their bills during the first week of February, April, June, August, October, and December.

New Residents/Owners

New residents/owners are required to apply for water and/or sewer service at the Village Hall. If the property is connected to the Beach Park water system, the new resident or owner is to complete an application and pay a \$70.00 security deposit.

Ordinance 13.04.210 SECURITY DEPOSITS The owner or occupant of each water billing address shall establish and maintain as provided below a security deposit account with the Village to secure the payment of all water consumption charges and other user charges or user fees established in this Chapter 13.04.

A. For single-family residential meters and for individual residential unit meters a security deposit of \$70.00 shall be made to and maintained with the Village. For all land use other than single-family residential units individually metered requiring meters, the security deposit shall be \$200.00. In the event that the account secured remains current and without delinquency of any kind or any amount for a 24 consecutive months, the security deposit required in this paragraph shall be returned to the party who made the deposit, plus the Village shall add \$5.00 to the refund of a residential deposit and \$15.00 to the refund of a non-residential deposit.

B. In the event the account becomes delinquent, the 24-month period provided for in paragraph "A" of this section shall commence anew from the month the delinquency is paid in full. After the delinquency is paid in full the account must remain current for the 24 months before a security deposit may be refunded.

If you have questions concerning water and sewer billing or connection to the water and/or sewer systems, phone Loretta at the Village Hall, 847-746-1770.

Wells

Per Lake County Health Department, if your well goes dry or you are no longer using it for yard watering or drinking purposes, it is considered an abandoned well. An abandoned well must be closed/sealed within 30 days by a licensed well driller.

Contact the Lake County Health Department, 847-377-8015, for more information and to obtain a permit to seal your well.

