Agenda Item Submittal

Date of Request	Dec 19, 2013
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Desired Agenda Date	Dec 20, 2013
Amount of Time Requested	Consent
Is this Confidential?	(Select Yes if it should be kept out of public packet. Leave blank if No.)
Action Requested*	(Please select one or select "Other" and enter in field below.) Board of County Commissioners' Signature
Parties to the Agreement	
Term Begins	
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Grant Contract Number	
Agenda Item*	(50 Character Limit) Antelope Hills Water Rate Resolution
Agenda Title	(This is the legal description.)
Summary*	The annual water rate resolution for the Antelope Hills Division of the Gunnison County Sewer and Water District. No rate change is proposed, but a new clause has been includes to minimize the impact that new customers' connections have on existing users and the capital reserve. The tap fee has been increased to include the cost of the water meter - no separate charge will be levied.
Fiscal Impact*	$94,000
Comments to Reviewers	(Enter any comments you would like for the review committee.)
Submitted By*	Ben Cowan
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Upload any supporting Documents	(Please upload any necessary supporting documents.) **AHWater.pdf** 14.55KB

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF GUNNISON COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 13-___

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES AND RATES FOR WATER SERVICE WITHIN THE ANTELOPE HILLS DIVISION OF THE GUNNISON COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

THIS RESOLUTION SUPERSEDES RESOLUTION 13-17

WHEREAS, pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 30-20-402(1)(f), the Board of County Commissioners of Gunnison County, Colorado may prescribe, revise and collect, in advance or otherwise, rates, fees, tolls and charges, including but not limited to availability fees, tap fees, and reasonable delinquency penalties for water facilities; and

WHEREAS, Gunnison County must upgrade and maintain the water lines and treatment facilities within the Antelope Hills Division; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of County Commissioners not to pay for such costs from the capital reserve;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that:

1. Schedule of Rates. The rate schedule is adopted each year as part of the budget process and is available as Appendix A attached hereto. The schedule of rates will remain in full force and effect for the calendar year for which it was approved. The rate structure will be published in the newspaper and is available from the Gunnison County Finance Office at 200 East Virginia, Gunnison, CO 81230. Any past due account shall be subject to a penalty charge of 1% per month or portion thereof, and any past due amount may, at the option of the Gunnison County Finance Office, be certified for collection in the manner as though they were part of the taxes pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 30-20-420.

2. Residential Water User Fees. User fees for each residence will be charged upon final meter inspection by the Gunnison County Utility Department. Any user with a three-quarter inch (3/4") meter will be considered a residential user for billing purposes. Additionally, all integrated secondary residences, secondary or accessory residences, multiple-family residences, townhomes, or condominiums will be billed at the residential rate. Base user fees will be billed in advance and overage user fees will be billed in arrears.

3. Availability of Service Fee. An availability of service fee will be charged for each parcel of real property in the Antelope Hills Division which has water service available to that parcel but which parcel is not connected to the Division water lines. The availability of service fee will start on the date of final board approval for proposed property developments, subdivisions, etc.

4. Tap Connection Fee. There is a fee for water service tap connection within the Antelope Hills Division for each connection based on Appendix B attached hereto according to meter size. The tap connection includes the cost of a Gunnison County water meter and required installation materials. This fee also includes the first inspection of the meter. If an additional inspection is required, the additional inspection fee will be charged.

5. Excessive Connection Costs. Water service will be extended to the property line, unless cost of such extension of service exceeds three thousand dollars ($3,000) or the product of the number of new users to be served by said sewer extension and three thousand dollars ($3,000). Costs exceeding three thousand dollars for a single user or the product of the number of new users to be served by said sewer extension and three thousand dollars ($3,000) will be the sole responsibility of the property owner(s) to be served. An estimate of the total costs will be provided to users in advance of work performed. Such work will be managed by Gunnison County staff.

6. Building Permit Shall Not Be Issued. No building permit shall be issued for any building on a parcel of land in the Antelope Hills Division unless the tap fee for that parcel has been paid in full as set forth above.

7. Minimum Charges. Any property connected to the system shall pay the minimum rate for four quarters per year whether or not the property is occupied or the water system is used.

8. Perpetual Lien. Until paid, all fees, rates, tolls, penalties, interests on delinquencies, and other costs shall constitute a perpetual lien on and against the property served, and any such lien may be collected in any manner legally permissible, including certification to the Gunnison County Treasurer as provided by law.

9. Additional Inspection Fee. The first inspection of the water service line is included with the meter fee. If an additional inspection is required, the additional inspection fee will be charged.

10. Repair Responsibility. Customers are responsible for costs associated with leaks and repairs that occur after water has passed through the curb stop. The County is responsible for costs associated with leaks and repairs on the main line, the service line that reaches from the main line to the curb stop, and the curb stop.

11. Meter Malfunction. Should a customer reasonably and prudently believe a meter is malfunctioning, a replacement meter and/or readout will be provided free of charge. The replacement meter and/or readout must be installed by a licensed plumber at the customer's expense.

12. Fees May Be Amended. The fees hereby established may be amended from time to time by the Board of County Commissioners. It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that a review of the fees and rates be conducted each year, if such review is not conducted, the then current fees shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT these fees shall remain in effect until changed by resolution by the Board of County Commissioners.

INTRODUCED by Commissioner _____, seconded by

Commissioner _____, and adopted this ____ day of December, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO

By _____
Paula Swenson, Chairperson

By _____
Phil Chamberland, Vice-Chairperson

By _____
Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

Attest:

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Deputy County Clerk

APPENDIX A

GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO
ANTELOPE HILLS DIVISION OF THE GUNNISON COUNTY SEWER AND WATER DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF RATES - WATER

	QTRLY BASE RATE		BASE GAL.	OVERAGE RATES
RESIDENTIAL	$ 146.40	per quarter	18,000	$ 3.98 / 1,000 gal. to 36,000 gal. $ 6.31 / 1,000 gal. over 36,000 gal.
AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE	$ 29.12	per quarter		
ADD'L INSPECTION FEE	$ 50.00	per additional inspection		

APPENDIX B

GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO
DOS RIOS DIVISION OF THE GUNNISON COUNTY SEWER AND WATER DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF RATES - WATER TAP CONNECTION FEE

Meter Size	FEE
0.75	$ 3,000.00
1.00	$ 4,000.00
1.50	$ 5,500.00
2.00	$ 7,000.00
3.00	$ 10,500.00
4.00	$ 14,000.00
6.00	$ 20,500.00

NOTE: Meter size is measured by inches