

ORDINANCE NO. 634

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CHANGE OF SEWER RATES  
BASED SOLELY UPON THE CHANGE IN THE COST OF  
WASTEWATER TREATMENT AT SCHERERVILLE, INDIANA

WHEREAS, the Utility Board of the Town of Schererville has previously approved an order approving an increase in certain rates and charges for the treatment of sanitary sewage and wastewater at the Schererville sewage treatment plant; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Schererville treats sewage and wastewater of the Town of St. John, and the charges therefore were increased from \$.583 per thousand gallons to \$.77 per thousand gallons in said order; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town of St. John to track an increase in its costs of treated sewage and wastewater to those residents and users connected to the sanitary sewer system for the Town of St. John; and

WHEREAS, the financial consultant of the Town of St. John, H.J. Umbaugh & Associates, has calculated the increased cost for treatment of sanitary sewage by the users of the St. John Sanitary Sewage System caused by the increase approved by the Town of Schererville, a copy of which report is attached hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, ordinances that establish rates and charges for the treatment of sanitary sewers and wastewater require that the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of St. John give notice of the adoption of the within ordinance and that a public hearing would be had thereon on the 9th day of July, 1984 at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Hall, in St. John, Lake County, Indiana, as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, such notices were published as shown by the Proofs of Publication presented by said Clerk-Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the 9th day of July, 1984 at 8:00 p.m., at which time persons interested in or affected by the said proceedings were given an opportunity to be heard and introduce evidence on the questions to be determined therein; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has determined that it is in the best interests of the Town to provide for an increase in sewage rates as set forth in this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, as follows:

1. That the increase in the cost of treating sewage by the Town of St. John Department of Waterworks from the Town of Schererville be tracked and added to the rates and charges of the Town of St. John to its customers.
2. That, the increase in the Town of St. John's schedule of rates and charges for sewage treatment shall be \$.29 per thousand gallons.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that an emergency exists for the immediate taking effect of this Ordinance and therefore, the same shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana on this 9th day of July, 1984.



ST. JOHN (INDIANA) MUNICIPAL SEWAGE WORKS

CALCULATION OF TRACKER (PASS THROUGH) OF INCREASED  
SCHERERVILLE SEWAGE TREATMENT CHARGES

Estimated annual treatment charges - new rates (based on average monthly flow to Schererville of 8,321,400 x 12 months x \$.77 per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 76,890
Less: Estimated annual treatment charges - old rates (based on average monthly flow to Schererville of 8,321,400 x 12 months x \$.583 per 1,000 gallons)	<u>(58,217)</u>
Estimated increase in treatment charges	\$ 18,673
Divide by: Estimated average annual billed flow (based on average monthly billed flow of 5,377,440 x 12 months ÷ 1,000) in thousand gallons	<u>÷ 64,529.3</u>
Additional cost per 1,000 gallons of billed flow	<u>28.94¢</u>
Suggested tracker (pass through) per 1,000 gallons	<u>29¢</u>

Note: Average monthly flow to Schererville and average monthly billed flow is based on the average for the five month period from November 15, 1983 to April 15, 1984.

EXHIBIT "A"

(Subject to the comments in the accompanying letter dated June 7, 1984, of H. J. Umbaugh & Associates.)