

ORDINANCE NO 2026-005

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CURRENT RATES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER USING CPI INDEX FOR THE TOWN OF ROSSVILLE AND ADOPTING NEW RATES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Rossville adopted Ordinance 2021-011 that adjusted the base rate on water and waste water to be increased by the annual inflation increase equal to the CPI (Consumer Price Index for All Consumers) as published for January in each billing year by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Rossville recognize that the current sewer and water rates will not cover the new water/wastewater improvements and depreciation and repairs currently under construction (water tower, wells and water plant), and

WHEREAS, the above situation applies for both sewer and water rates for either minimum charge or charge per 1,000 gallons; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Rossville find that it is necessary to increase the rate of water and waste water charged by the Town from \$15.45 on the minimum charge (without regard to volume) to \$16.87 and from \$3.69 per 1,000 used to \$4.79. This change reflects an increase of the CPI rate of 2.7% plus \$1.00 on the monthly minimum bill charged.

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Rossville recognize the necessity to ensure adequate funds are available to cover mandated depreciation, repair and improvements to Town's water and wastewater infrastructure.

Now, therefore, be it ordained by the Board and Mayor of Aldermen of the Town of Rossville, Tennessee, as follows:

Section 1. This Ordinance repeals the sewer rates established by Ordinance 2021-011 in its entirety, effective May 1, 2020.

Section 2. Effective July 1, 2026, the sewer rates for Rossville sewer services shall be as follows:

Sewer Rates


Minimum charge (without regard to volume)	\$16.87
Charge per each 1,000 gallon	\$ 4.79


Water Rates

Minimum charge (without regard to volume)	\$16.87
Charge per each 1,000 gallon	\$ 4.79

Section 3. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen will re-evaluate the water and wastewater rates during the FY28 budgeting process to determine if an annual adjustment to the Consumer Price Index can be resumed.

First Reading: May 12, 2026
Public Hearing: June 9, 2026
Second Reading: June 9, 2026


Judy Waters, Mayor


Karen L. Pennington, Town Recorder