

**Proposed Public Notice Language – Village of Roanoke Sewer Rate Adjustments :**

The Village of Roanoke will adjust its sewer rates, effective on May 1, 2025:

- 0-1,000 gallons – \$12.46
- An additional use rate of \$8.99 for each additional 1,000 gallons
- An annual rate increase matching the Consumer Price Index (CPI)

These rate increases are required for the Village to fund several expenses:

- Increasing operation and maintenance costs due to inflation
- A one-time capital project to meet IEPA effluent requirements – currently the Village is in litigation with the Attorney General’s office regarding ongoing violation of water quality standards
- Anticipated sewer line repairs and replacement as this infrastructure ages
- Unknown one-time expenses, such as hail or other weather-related damage

The average combined water/sewer bill will increase from \$102/month to \$127/month. The average annual sewer bill will equate to 0.55% of the median household income (MHI) in Roanoke, well below the 2.0% threshold that IEPA deems affordable. This will be the first sewer rate increase in over 20 years. The automatic annual sewer rate increases (matching the CPI) allow the Village to address infrastructure problems over the long term.