BOROUGH OF BEAVER MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

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Dear Beaver Borough
Municipal Authority customer,

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The Beaver Borough Municipal Authority (BBMA) has recently completed improvements to its aging water and sewer facilities and is nearing completion of formal design plans for future sewage treatment plant improvements. The following are a few recently completed and future planned projects:

- During September and October 2023, the exterior of the 1 million gallon water storage tank was re-painted and the interior of the tank was re-lined. Additionally, the BBMA engaged a firm to annually inspect and warranty the water tank for a 10 year time period.
- State-of-the-art flow meters were purchased in the fall of 2023 and installed in sanitary sewer manholes in order to more closely monitor wet weather flow rates.
- The sewage treatment plant gravity sludge thickener and related equipment was replaced in the spring of 2024.
- Formal design plans are nearing completion for significant improvements to the sewage treatment plant. More specifically, plans are being prepared to update the sewage treatment plant electrical controls and aeration system and to re-design the aging head-works facility (for pre-treatment of the sewage wastewater). Advertisement for public bids to construct the above improvements will occur in 2025.
- Plans have been approved and agreements have been executed by Norfolk Southern Railroad to re-locate the sanitary sewer influent line under the Norfolk Southern rail lines. Bid documents will be completed in the near future.
- Continued maintenance and replacement of aging components at the sewage treatment plant.
- Continued maintenance and replacement of water lines and valves.

The above projects were/are designed using progressive technology along with environmentally sensitive considerations.

The BBMA is a non-profit independent government unit created for the operation of the water and sewer systems. In order to continue to replace and upgrade the aging BBMA infrastructure and facilities, the BBMA recently approved the following increases:

- o water rate increase from \$4.64 to \$4.87 per 1000 gallons (5% increase)
- o sewer rate increase from \$8.51 to \$9.19 per 1000 gallons (8% increase)

The water base rate and sewer base rate each remain at \$14.00 per month. The rate increase will take effect beginning in January 2025 and will be reflected on invoices issued on **01-30-2025**. Even with the increases, the BBMA water and sewer rates remain one of the lower rates in Beaver County!

Please contact the BBMA at 724-773-6700 with any questions. Additionally, please visit the BBMA website at www.beaverboroughwater.us for additional information.

Thank you!