

February 1, 2018

Dear Property Owners;

In accordance with legislation passed by the Village of Middlefield Council, water and sewer rates will increase with the January 2018 billing cycle. The first bill that will reflect the increase will be the February 10th bill. However, Village Council decided not to set rates at a level necessary to fully support water and sewer operations in an effort to minimize the financial impact on customers. Village Council set the increase at 5% and will review the proposed increase annually. As infrastructure ages the cost of operating and maintaining the plants and necessary equipment increases. The following table presents the new rates for 2018 alongside the past rates for 2017.

Water Rates	2017	100	2018	100
Water (minimum 2,000 gallons monthly)	\$16.67	\$.53	\$17.50	\$.56
Senior Rate*	\$13.34	\$.53	\$14.01	\$.56
Administration Fee	\$.50		\$.50	

Sewer Rates	2017	100	2017	100
Sewer (minimum 2,000 gallons monthly)	\$18.53	\$.61	\$19.46	\$.64
Senior Rate*	\$14.82	\$.61	\$15.56	\$.64
Administration Fee	\$.50		\$.50	

As per the 5 year contract with Rumpke, as of **May 1, 2018**, the cost of monthly Refuse/Recycling collection will increase. See the table below for the increase. Those residents on the bag program will not have any increase in the monthly cost for pickup.

	2017 Refuse/Recycling		2018 Refuse/Recycling (May1)
Residential	\$16.95		\$17.54
Senior	\$15.26		\$15.79

More information can be found at www.middlefieldohio.com. As always, you may pay your bill by mail, during office hours, over the phone with a credit card, drop off in the payment box or pay online with a credit card. All credit card payments taken will be charged a 2% fee for processing.

Thank you

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