

**PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF THE
SPRING VALLEY WATERWORKS**

The Spring Valley Waterworks has filed an application with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW) to change its method of cost recovery for providing public fire protection (PFP) service. The Utility currently collects an annual amount of \$96,092 for providing PFP to the Village of Spring Valley. This cost covers the additional storage, pumping, and distribution required to provide the high flows and pressures needed to fight fires. The Village of Spring Valley recently approved changing the municipal PFP charge and as a result the Utility has requested PSCW authorization to move \$48,046 of the current \$96,092 collected from the municipal charge to direct charges. The requested amounts are \$48,046 collected from municipal charge and \$48,046 collected from direct charges.

The resulting direct charges to each water customer are based on the equivalent meters method, in accordance with Wis. Stat. Sec. 196.03(3)(b), which reads as follows:

Unless the governing body of the city, village or town adopts a resolution providing that the city, village or town will pay the retail charges for the production, storage, transmission, sale and delivery or furnishing of water for public fire protection purposes that are not included in general service charges:

1. A public utility shall include the charges in the water utility bill of each customer of the public utility in the city, village or town.
2. A municipal utility may, in addition to including the charges in water utility bills under subd. 1., bill the charges to any person who meets all of the following conditions:
 - a. The person is not a customer of the municipal utility.
 - b. The person owns land that is located in the city, village or town and in an area in which the municipal utility has an obligation to provide water for public fire protection.

If the request is granted, the water bill for an average residential customer with a 5/8-inch or 3/4-inch meter who uses 9,000 gallons of water per quarter will increase from \$59.40 to \$77.55, or 30.56% (including the PFP charge).

A telephonic public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in the Municipal Office/Board Room at Spring Valley Village Hall, E121 South 2nd Street, Spring Valley, Wisconsin. Scheduling questions regarding this hearing may be directed to the PSCW at (608) 266-3766.

A person may testify in this proceeding without becoming a party and without attorney representation. A person may submit this testimony in only one of the following ways:

- **Web Comment.** Go to the Commission's web site at <http://psc.wi.gov>, click on "File a Comment". On the next page select the "File a comment" link that appears for docket number 5650-PFP-100. Web comments shall be received no later than the day before the hearing.
- **Oral Comment.** Spoken testimony at the public session.
- **Written Comment.** Instead of speaking at the hearing, write out a comment and submit it at the public session.
- **Mail Comment.** All comments submitted by U.S. Mail shall be received no later than the day before the hearing and shall be addressed to: Attn: Docket 5650-PFP-100 Comments, Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, WI 53707-7854.

The PSCW intends to webcast this hearing live on the PSCW's web site at <http://psc.wi.gov> under the "PSC Live Broadcast" button.

All documents in this docket are filed on the Commission's Electronic Records Filing (ERF) system. To view these documents: (1) go to the Commission's E-Services Portal at <http://apps.psc.wi.gov>, (2) enter "5650-PFP-100" in the box labeled "Quick Single Docket Search," and (3) select "Documents".

If you have any questions, please contact the Spring Valley Waterworks at (715) 778-5635.