

MEMORANDUM

April 1, 2026

To: Alan Gibbs
Lamarcus Davis
Eddie Rowland
John Ambrose
Al Turner

From: Lorri Byrd

Subject: Water Meter Tap Fees and Boring Cost Review

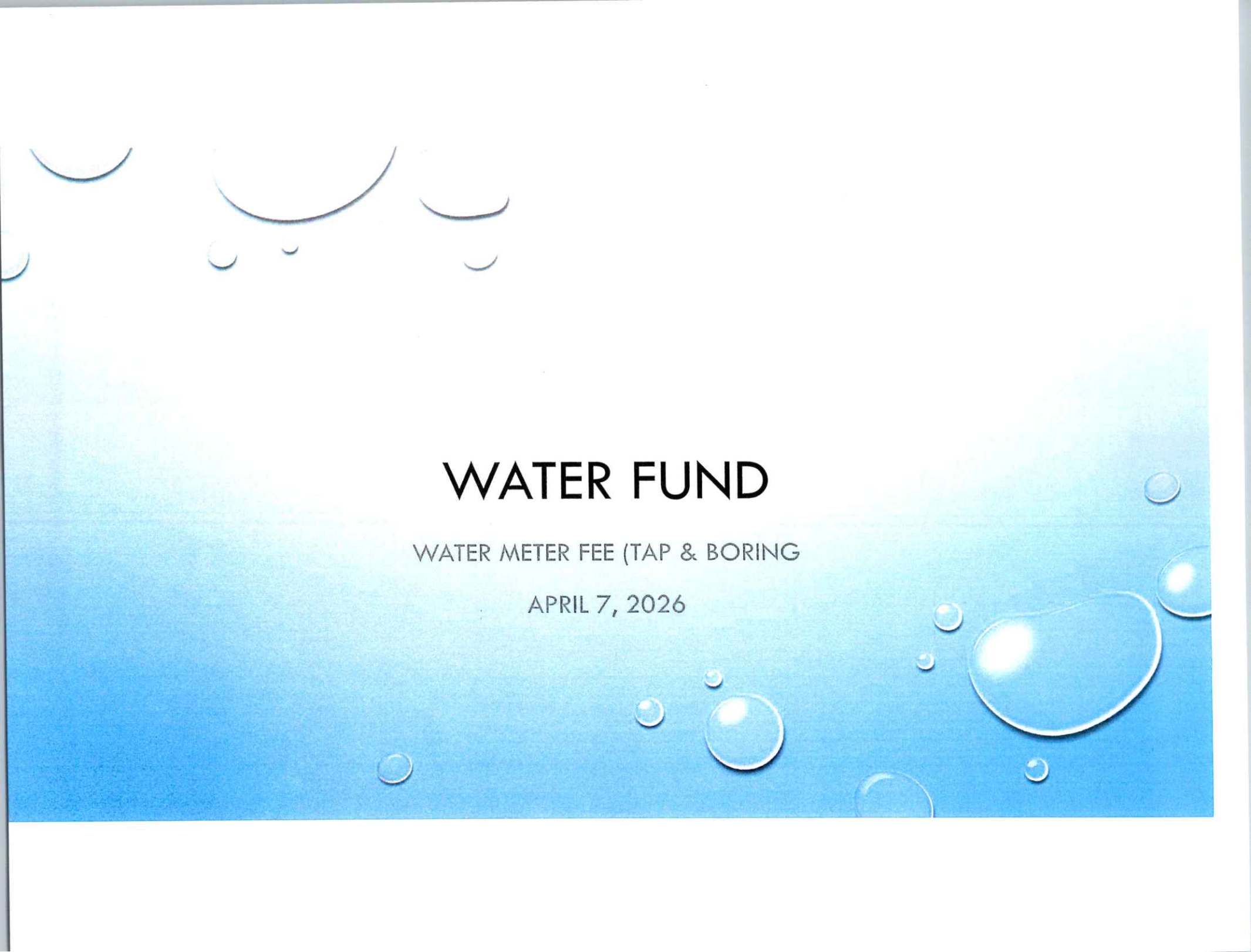
A discussion has come up about whether boring costs should be included in the meter tap fee regardless of whether a bore is required. Currently boring costs are added only when needed. If the boring cost were incorporated into all meters, an estimated weighted average would need to be added to each meter tap fee.

Option for Board Consideration is maintaining current rate structure-only add boring charges when a bore is required. Or, add a flat weighted-average boring cost to all meter installations.

This is on April 7, 2026, and Kim Stokes and I will be present to present and answer any questions.

Regards,

Lorri Byrd

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WATER FUND

WATER METER FEE (TAP & BORING

APRIL 7, 2026

HISTORY (2019-2026)

- IN 2019, BOC ESTABLISHED A SINGLE FEE (BY METER SIZE) REGARDLESS OF BOX OR NO BOX, AND REGARDLESS OF SHORT OR LONG BORE.
- IN 2024, BOC APPROVED:
 - METER TAP FEE'S WERE ESTABLISHED BASED ON SIZE OF METER FOR $\frac{3}{4}$ ", 1", 1.5" AND 2" WITH METER BOX AND WITHOUT METER BOX
 - ANY METER OVER 2" WILL BE DETERMINED BY H2O
 - H2O DETERMINES IF A BORE IS REQUIRED AND OBTAINS COST

CURRENT METER TAP FEES

- WITH METER BOX

• 3/4 "	\$1,000
• 1"	\$2,400
• 1.5"	\$1,450
• 2"	\$2,100

- WITHOUT METER BOX

• 3/4"	\$2,000
• 1"	\$2,400
• 1.5"	\$2,900
• 2"	\$4,200

ANY METER OVER 2" TBD BY CONTRACTOR

IF BORE IS NEEDED THEN BORING COST WILL BE ADDED TO THE METER COST

BORING – CURRENT FEES

- PER JEFF DOROUGH, STANDARD RATE IS \$750
- HOWEVER, IN SOME CASES AS BELOW THE BORING CASE AS HIGH AS \$1,900
 - LOCATION: 73 WOODWARD RD \$1,250
 - LOCATION: 10293 HWY 87 \$1,900

CURRENT BORING COST

- JOHNSON PLUMBING AND CONTRACTING HAS PROVIDED US WITH UPDATED BORING COST AS FOLLOWS:

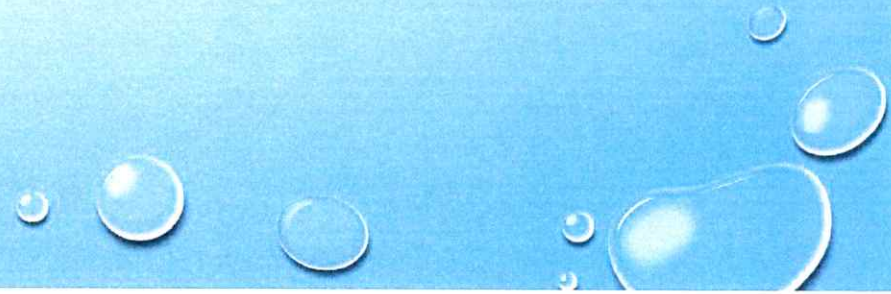
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| • 2" BORE FOR $\frac{3}{4}$ " METER AND 1" METER | \$1,175 |
| • 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " BORE FOR 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " METER AND 2" METER | \$1,575 |

DECISION ON BORING COST

- DISCUSSION HAS COME UP ON BORING COST IF IT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN WITH METER COST NO MATTER IF A BORING IS NEEDED OR NOT
- CURRENTLY THAT IS NOT THE CASE. A BORING COST IS ONLY ADDED TO THE METER COST IF A BORE IS NEEDED
- IF YOU INCLUDE THE COST WITH THE METER WHAT AVERAGE BORING COST TO USE
 - A WEIGHTED AVERAGE WOULD ADD AN ADDITIONAL \$225.81 TO THE METER COST
 - BASED ON CURRENT BORING COST:
 - 2" BORE FOR $\frac{3}{4}$ " AND 1" METER \$1,175
 - 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " BORE FOR 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " AND 2" METER \$1,575



CONTINUE DECISION ON BORING COST

- KEEP THE CURRENT BORING COST AS IS TODAY
 - A BORING COST IS ONLY ADDED TO THE METER COST IF A BORE IS NEEDED
 - CHANGE TO ADD A WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF \$225.81 ON THE METER COST FOR ALL
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Wonda Lowe

From: Johnson Plumbing <JohnsonPlumbing@johnson-plumbers.com>
Sent: Monday, March 9, 2026 10:13 AM
To: Wonda Lowe
Cc: Ann Proctor
Subject: Johnson Plumbing and Contracting

Herbie asked me to send the following information to you for Jeff.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Johnson Plumbing and Contracting

2" bore \$1175.00 *For 1" meter and 3/4"*

2 1/2" bore \$1575.00 *For 1 1/2" + 2" meters*

Ann H. Proctor
Administrative Executive Assistant
Johnson Plumbing & Contracting
478-994-2387

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Date: 3/9/26





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WATER RATES, FEES, AND POLICIES

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS

Effective April 1, 2023/Updated & Adopted November 19, 2019

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TAP FEES		
Effective March 7, 2024		
Residential/Commercial		
	WITH METER BOX	WITHOUT METER BOX MINIMUM*
3/4"	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
1"	\$1,200.00	\$2,400.00
1.5"	\$1,450.00	\$2,900.00
2"	\$2,100.00	\$4,200.00
Any Meter over 2" TBD by Contractor		*SUBJECT TO CHANGE AFTER ASSESSMENT OF BORE & TAP COSTS

WATER RATES			
Residential		Commercial	
Base Charge for 0-1000 Gal	\$20.00	Base Charge for 0-1000 Gal	\$75.00
Rate per 1000 Gal for 1001-4000 Gal	\$8.93	Rate per 1000 Gal for 1001-4,000 Gal	\$9.95
Rate per 1000 Gal for 4,001-10,000 Gal	\$10.31	Rate per 1000 Gal for 4,001-10,000 Gal	\$12.68
Rate per 1,000 Gal for > 10,001 Gal	\$11.69	Rate per 1000 Gal for >10,001 Gal	\$14.47

****Rates and Fees are Subject to Change****

(C) DEPOSIT FEES

\$75.00 for Homeowners \$150.00 Lease / Renters / Contractors

Individual security deposits will be refunded only when accounts are closed, and the final bill is paid. Deposit fees will be paid prior to installation of the tap. Tap on Fees are based on the size of meter request.

(D) BAD CHECK / NONSUFFICIENT FUND FEES

If one chooses to pay by check or by automatic bank draft and check or draft are dishonored, the customer must pay a service fee of \$30.00, or any higher amount allowed by law and their account may electronically be debited or drafted for this fee. If the