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3 TOWN OF CUMBERLAND

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5 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND  
6 WATER RATES

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8 The Town of Cumberland ordains:

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10 Section 1. Appendix C of the Town of Cumberland Code of Ordinances entitled  
11 "Schedule of Fees and Charges" is hereby amended as to the water rate schedule  
12 as follows:

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16 2 WATER RATE SCHEDULE

17	18 Service Charge	2016
19	20 Qualified Elderly	\$26.00
21	21 5/8 inch	\$62.00
22	22 3/4 inch	\$74.00
23	23 1 inch	\$118.00
24	24 1 1/2 inch	\$187.00
25	25 2 inch	\$280.00
26	26 3 inch	\$526.00
27	27 4 inch	\$800.00
28	28 6 inch	\$1,565.00

30	31 Public and Private Fee Per 1,000 gallons	2016	2019	2020*
32	(quarterly)			
33	34 Step 1	\$3.1846		
35	35 0 to 12,500			
36	37 Step 2	\$4.4639		
38	38 12,501 to 50,000			
39	40 Step 3	\$4.7436		
41	41 Over 50,001			

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43 \* The per 1,000 gallon rates in effect on the date of the passage of this appendix as  
44 set forth above shall be adjusted annually by the percentage less than or equal to  
45 any tax increase which may be approved by the Town Council (through the  
46 annual tax levy), provided that any such increase does not exceed the rates  
47 adequate to pay for all costs associated with the municipal water supply as more

1 fully and completely set forth in Sec.45-39.1-5 of the General Laws of Rhode  
2 Island, 1956, as amended.

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4	<b>Other Rates per 1,000 gallons</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2019<u>2020</u>*</b>
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7	Purchased Water Surcharge	\$1.54	
8	Infrastructure Surcharge	\$1.42	<u>\$1.92</u>
9	State Surcharge	\$0.1866	
10	Water Protection Surcharge	\$0.1054	

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12 \* \_\_\_\_\_ The purchased water surcharge shall be adjusted by the Water Superintendent as  
13 required due to increases in the wholesale rate for water from any wholesale  
14 provider as approved by the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (RIPUC).  
15 The increase in the surcharge shall be equal to any future RIPUC-approved  
16 wholesale rate increase and shall take effect immediately upon notification of the  
17 rate increase by any wholesale provider.

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19	<b>Other Charges</b>	<b>2016</b>
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21	Public Fire Hydrant	\$330.00 per hydrant
22	Shut Off Fee	\$100.00 per occurrence
23	Water Service Tie in Fee	\$500.00

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25 New Installation tie in fee. Additional fee for providing and installing new meter,  
26 based on size to cover the cost of purchasing the meter and automatic reading  
27 transmitter.

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29	<b>Meter size</b>	
30	<b>(inches)</b>	<b>2016</b>
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32	5/8 inch	\$288.00
33	3/4 inch	\$328.00
34	1 inch	\$378.00
35	1 1/2 inch	\$984.00
36	2 inch	\$984.00
37	3 inch	\$2,192.00
38	4 inch	\$3,690.00
39	6 inch	\$6,257.00

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42 Debt Reduction Surcharge. The collection of a Debt Reduction Surcharge for the  
43 purpose of recovering debt shall remain in effect in accordance with Ordinance  
44 15-12 as approved by the Town Council.

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46 Collection of outstanding water and sewer bills shall result in termination of water  
47 service to the subject property until such time that the outstanding balances are  
48 collected and/or a lien being placed against the subject property and may result in  
49 tax sale to collect outstanding balances.

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2 Said water bills shall be due and payable on the date stated therein and all water  
3 bills remaining unpaid 31 days thereafter, shall carry until collected, a penalty of  
4 14 percent upon the unpaid amount and a penalty of \$5.00 each billing period.  
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6 Monetary and percentage terms may vary slightly due to round-off effect to  
7 nearest whole dollar or nearest whole percentage point.  
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9 Any customer using an average of 100,000 gallons or more per month will be  
10 billed monthly. All other customers shall be billed at such times as determined  
11 and agreed upon by the finance director and the water superintendent.  
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13 Infrastructure Surcharge. Funds which are budgeted and/or collected through the  
14 infrastructure revenue and expense lines and capital improvement expense line of  
15 the approved annual water fund budget which are not expended in each fiscal year  
16 shall be transferred to a restricted cash account for the purpose of completing  
17 infrastructure projects within the water system. The funds shall be transferred to  
18 the restricted cash account within 90 days of the end of each fiscal year and the  
19 amount shall be recommended by the Finance Director and Water Superintendent  
20 and approved by the Town Council, subject to changes proposed by the annual  
21 audit.  
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23 Section 2. All other rates, fees, and surcharges shall remain in effect unless amended by  
24 ordinance as approved by the Town Council.  
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26 Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect as of July 1, 2020 and all Ordinances or  
27 provisions of Ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.  
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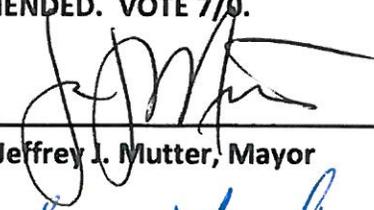
29 **LEGISLATIVE EXPLANATION**  
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31 This Ordinance amends the established water rates within the Town of Cumberland.  
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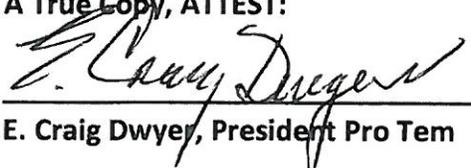
35 Water Dept.  
36 Solicitor 8/9/19

**ON A MOTION BY COUNCILOR SHAW, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR BEAULIEU IT IS  
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE AS AMENDED. VOTE 7/0.**

Date Adopted: September 18, 2019

  
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Jeffrey J. Mutter, Mayor

A True Copy, ATTEST:

  
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E. Craig Dwyer, President Pro Tem

  
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Sandra M. Giovanelli, Town Clerk