

**SUBJECT:** Upcoming Water Rate Increase

As one of the key responsibilities of the Beaux Arts council, we seek to ensure we provide core services to our community in a sustainable and cost-effective manner. Having a unique asset like our Water Department allows us to control our services and costs, but that infrastructure does require both on-going investments and maintenance to ensure we can continue to provide all residences the best possible service.

After 8 years of no increases in water rates, we will be raising our base water rate in 2019 from \$60 to \$80 per bi-monthly billing cycle. This incremental funding will ensure we are responsibly funding our Water Department for projects and maintenance in already in planning and for those unforeseen in the future.

We take seriously our responsibility in ensuring we provide our services in a cost-effective manner as we want to ensure our village remains accessible to all. As always feel free to reach out to me directly with for further details or we always welcome Villager participation at Council meetings.

Regards,

John Gillem

Mayor, Beaux Arts Village