The Russellville Board of Aldermen held a public hearing 6:00 PM Thursday, February 8, 2024, at City Hall, 13203 Railroad Avenue, to discuss and receive public input regarding current utility rates and the need to adjust rates to meet ever increasing operational and maintenance expenses. The Board met in regular session following the public hearing, voting to increase the water and sewer rates by 15% as reflected in the tables found below. Economic factors, such as inflation, supply chain issues, increased electric costs, and repair/replacement and maintenance of aging infrastructure (piping and pump costs have doubled or tripled), contribute to unprecedented increase in expenditures since 2020 and throughout 2023, depleting reserves needed to fill financial gaps. The last increase to water rates was fourteen years ago (2010), with sewer rates increased in 2019. Increases to both water and sewer rates are required to replenish those reserves and continue with system repairs and improvements to accommodate the needs of a growing community. It is the responsibility of the Board of Aldermen to ensure the municipal systems and facilities are adequately funded to meet operations and maintenance requirements, Missouri Department of Natural Resources permit and compliance regulations, and to have adequate funds to meet loan repayment obligations. New rates take effect April 1, 2024 for the March usage billing period. Please contact your alderman with any questions or send email to clerk.russellvillemo@outlook.com and I will forward to your alderman.

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WATER	Current Base includes	Current Volumetric 1,000 gals	Current Bill	New Base Rate	New Volumetric Rate 6.44 per 1,000 gals	New Water Bill
Minimum	22.00	5.60	27.60	25.30	6.44	31.74
2,000 gals	22.00	11.20	33.20	25.30	12.88	38.18
3,000 gals	22.00	16.80	38.80	25.30	19.32	44.62
5,000 gals	22.00	28.00	50.00	25.30	32.20	57.50
10,000 gals	22.00	56.00	78.00	25.30	64.40	89.70

SEWER	Current Base	Current Volumetric 1,000 gals	Current Bill	New Base Rate	New Volumetric Rate 8.59 per 1,000 gals	New Sewer Bill
Minimum	42.62	7.47	50.09	49.01	8.59	57.60
2,000 gals	42.62	14.94	57.56	49.01	17.18	66.19
3,000 gals	42.62	22.41	65.03	49.01	25.77	74.78
5,000 gals	42.62	37.35	79.97	49.01	42.95	91.96
10,000 gals	42.62	4.70	117.32	49.01	85.90	134.91