

RESOLUTION 2026-20
Utility Rates and Fees
Wednesday September 9,2026

WHEREAS, the Spring Lake Improvement District (hereinafter "District") was created by the Florida Legislature and codified in Chapter 1971-669, Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapter 2005-342, Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapter 2012-264, Laws of Florida, pursuant to the authority granted therein and;

WHEREAS, the Charter authorizes the Board of Supervisors, (hereinafter "Board") of the District, to prescribe, establish and collect rates, fees, rentals or other charges and to revise same from time to time for all of the facilities and services furnished by the "District" to include, among other things, a water treatment and distribution system, and a wastewater treatment plant and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to said authority the "District" did a comprehensive analysis on the rates and fees; and

WHEREAS, the "Board" having conducted said public hearing, it is upon consideration:

**RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SPRING LAKE
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

Current and future usage fees and charges, according to the attached "Schedule A" adopted this 9th day of September, 2026 to become effective October 1, 2026.

Spring Lake Improvement District

By: _____
Kay Gorham, Board Chair

Attest:

By: _____
Tim Roland, Secretary

EXHIBIT "A"

Spring Lake Improvement District
Utility Rates and Fees Fiscal Year 2027
Effective October 1, 2026

- I. **One Time Water and Wastewater Utility Capacity Fees** – All new service connections occurring within the district shall pay the following water and/or wastewater capacity fees according to the following water and wastewater capacity fee schedule.

A. **Water and Wastewater Residential Capacity Fees:**

Meter Size 3/4 x 5/8	ERC	Meter Setting Charge	Water Capacity Fee	Wastewater Capacity Fee	Total Water & Wastewater Fee
Single Family	1.0	\$825	\$3,180.00	\$2,150.00	\$6,155.00

B. **Non-Residential Water and Wastewater Capacity Fees**

Notwithstanding the foregoing schedule, the meter equivalents of a nonresidential use shall be determined by the designed flow serving any structure, building or group of buildings as determined by chapter (FAC) 64E-6.008 Table 1. Equivalent Residential Connections (ERC) are used for the calculations of water and wastewater service capacity fees for the nonresidential establishment that utilizes a one (1) inch or greater meter size.

It has been established that 172 gallons per day is equal to (1) one ERC by the Florida Rural Water Association.

Example:

Based on FAC 64E-6.008 design flows. The formula used is: Total GPD divided by 172 GPD (1 ERC). It equates to the number of ERCs. Therefore, the Total ERCs X \$5,330.00 (water 3,180 + wastewater \$2,150) would determine the Total Capacity Fees for water and wastewater services. This does not include Meter Setting or Fire Protection Fees.

Meter Size Non-Residential	Meter Setting Fee Charge (Single Service)
1"	\$1,175
1.5"	\$3,000
2"	\$3,760
3"	\$7,520
4"	\$11,750
6"	\$23,500

C. **Fire Protection Service - fire suppression sprinkler systems.**

Line Size	2"	3"	4"	6"	8"
Fee Per Service	\$2,040.00	\$2,565.00	\$8,222.00	\$18,270.00	24,000.00

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II. Residential Class

A residential class consists of a single-family dwelling being served by an individual meter.

Monthly Water Billing Base Rate

Meter Size	Monthly Water Base Rate	Monthly Water Billing Base Rate (+) Usage	Cost Per `1,000 Gallons
5/8 x 3/4 inch	\$35.70	0 to 2,999 gallons	\$3.57
1 inch	\$39.28	3,000 to 5,999 gallons	\$4.14
1.5 inch	\$64.27	6,000 to 8,999 gallons	\$4.83
2 inch	\$103.55	9,000 to 15,999 gallons	\$5.52
3 inch	\$392.78	16,000 (+) gallons	\$6.21
4 inch	\$499.90		
6 inch	\$749.85		

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Monthly Wastewater Billing Base Rate

Meter Size	Monthly Wastewater Base Rate	Monthly water Billing Base Rate (+) Usage	Cost per 1,000 Gallons
5/8 x 3/4 inch	\$103.50	0 to 2,500	\$8.11
1 inch	\$113.85	2,501 gallons +	\$16.22
1.5 inch	\$186.30		
2 inch	\$300.15		
3 inch	\$1,138.50		
4 inch	\$1,449.00		
6 inch	\$2,173.50		

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III. Commercial Class

A commercial class consists of a business, commerce, church, multi-family, or any structure served by a master meter by the district. **Churches will not be charged a base water/wastewater rate.**

Monthly Water Billing Base Rate

Meter Size	Monthly Water Base Rate	Monthly Water Billing Base Rate (+) Usage	Cost Per 1,000 Gallons
5/8 x 3/4 inch	\$48.20	0 to 2,999 gallons	\$4.11
1 inch	\$53.03	3,000 to 5,999 gallons	\$4.76
1.5-inch	\$86.76	6,000 to 8,999 gallons	\$5.55
2-inch	\$139.80	9,000 to 15,999 gallons	\$6.03
3-inch	\$530.25	16,000 gallons or more	\$7.14
4-inch	\$674.87		
6-inch	\$1012.31		

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Monthly Wastewater Billing Base Rate

Meter Size	Monthly Wastewater Base Rate	Monthly Wastewater Usage Rate	Cost Per 1,000 Gallons
5/8-inch	\$139.73	0 to 2,500 gallons	\$9.33
1-inch	\$153.70	2,501 gallons +	\$18.65
1.5-inch	\$251.51		
2-inch	\$405.20		
3-inch	\$1536.98		
4-inch	\$1956.15		
6-inch	\$2,934.23		

Fire Protection Charges Unmetered

LINE SIZE	2.0"	3.0"	4.0"	6.0"	8.0"
MONTHLY RATE	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$80.00

IV. **Miscellaneous Utility Charges**

Miscellaneous charges and fees consist of the required time, labor, parts, materials and/or services needed to perform all duties listed below.

Miscellaneous Charges	Costs
Account Activation Fee	\$25.00 (non-refundable)
Backflow	\$90.00 for a Dual Check Valve
Commercial Fire Backflow Testing Fee	\$16.66 Monthly
Commercial Water Backflow Testing Fee	\$10.00 Monthly
Connection to Low Pressure or Gravity Wastewater Tap Fee	Actual Cost of Service (contracted cost, parts, and labor)
Data Logs	\$25.00 per request
Deposit	\$125.00 (\$250.00 for water/wastewater) *waived for owner's who sign up for ACH Bank draft
Disconnect/Reconnect for Non-Payment	\$50.00 During Business Hours \$90.00 After Business Hours
Late Payment Fee	\$5.00 **added to accounts not paid by 15th of month
Lien Charges	County Clerk Recording Fees + Administrative Costs Based on the greater of \$30.00 or 10% of Lien Amount
Meter Conversion Fees	Meter **Actual Cost of Meter \$26.00 Adaptors and \$24.00 per hour labor
Meter Testing – At Customer's Request ** to be credited if it is determined meter is defective	\$25.00
Meter Turn On/Off Fees	\$10.00
Replace damaged Meter Box and/or Lid	\$60.00
Returned Check Fees	\$25.00 Able to Re-Deposit \$50.00 Unable to Re-Deposit
Secondary Water System Inspection (for Cross Connection)	\$35.00 Well/Canal Irrigation System
Service Call After Hours	\$40.00
Tampering Fee	\$100.00
Directional Jack & Bore	Actual Cost of Service (contracted cost, parts, and labor)
Water Leak Adjustment Application Fee **To be applied against any adjustment given	\$25.00

SWIMMING POOL DISCOUNTS: A discount will be given on filling up new pools, and pool repairs by contacting the District Office. Staff will get a beginning and ending meter reading during pool fill-up so an adjustment can be made.

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V. Residential Class

A residential class consists of a single-family dwelling being served by an individual meter.

Monthly Water Billing Base Rate

Meter Size	Monthly Water Base Rate	Monthly Water Billing Base Rate (+) Usage	Cost Per `1,000 Gallons
5/8 x ¾ inch	\$41.24	0 to 2,999 gallons	\$4.12
1 inch	\$45.37	3,000 to 5,999 gallons	\$4.78
1.5 inch	\$74.23	6,000 to 8,999 gallons	\$5.58
2 inch	\$119.60	9,000 to 15,999 gallons	\$6.38
3 inch	\$453.66	16,000 (+) gallons	\$7.18
4 inch	\$577.38		
6 inch	\$866.08		

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Monthly Wastewater Billing Base Rate

Meter Size	Monthly Wastewater Base Rate	Monthly water Billing Base Rate (+) Usage	Cost per 1,000 Gallons
5/8 x ¾ inch	\$119.54	0 to 2,500	\$9.37
1 inch	\$131.50	2,501 gallons +	\$18.74
1.5 inch	\$215.17		
2 inch	\$346.67		
3 inch	\$1314.96		
4 inch	\$1673.59		
6 inch	\$2510.39		

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VI. Commercial Class

A commercial class consists of a business, commerce, church, multi-family or any structure served by a master meter by the district

Monthly Water Billing Base Rate

Meter Size	Monthly Water Base Rate	Monthly Water Billing Base Rate (+) Usage	Cost Per 1,000 Gallons
5/8 x ¾ inch	\$55.68	0 to 2,999 gallons	\$4.75
1 inch	\$61.26	3,000 to 5,999 gallons	\$5.50
1.5-inch	\$100.22	6,000 to 8,999 gallons	\$6.41
2-inch	\$161.46	9,000 to 15,999 gallons	\$6.97
3-inch	\$612.44	16,000 gallons or more	\$8.25
4-inch	\$779.48		
6-inch	\$1169.21		

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Monthly Wastewater Billing Base Rate

Meter Size	Monthly Wastewater Base Rate	Monthly Wastewater Usage Rate	Cost Per 1,000 Gallons
5/8-inch	\$161.39	0 to 2,500 gallons	\$10.78
1-inch	\$177.52	2,501 gallons +	\$21.54
1.5-inch	\$290.50		
2-inch	\$468.00		
3-inch	\$1775.21		
4-inch	\$2259.35		
6-inch	\$3389.04		