NEAHKAHNIE WATER DISTRICT
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RESOLUTION 2026-5
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE NEAH KAH NIE WATER DISTRICT INCREASING THE BASE WATER RATE

WHEREAS, Section 5A of Ordinance 2024-1 provides that the fees and charges for the Neahkahnie Water District ("District") water system shall be established by resolution in accordance with ORS 264.310 and ORS 264.312 (as amended) and Section 5B states that charges for water use shall include a fixed base rate, a system enhancement fee and metered water usage to be periodically reviewed and updated by the District. The charges shall be based on the cost of operation, maintenance, and amortization of the system. Any proposed increase in the existing rates shall take effect only after notice has been given to each customer in the District as provided by State statute; and,

WHEREAS, the current fixed base rate of $40 per month was established by the District in Resolution 2024-2 and made subject to annual adjustment for inflation; and,

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2026, the fixed base rate was adjusted for inflation by increasing the base rate by $1.88 per month; and,

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed current revenue and expenditure projections and determined that an adjustment to the fixed base rate is necessary to ensure the financial stability and continued reliable operation of the District's water system; and,

WHEREAS, the District held a public hearing on April 11, 2026, to consider the proposed increase to the fixed base rate; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of ORS 264.312, notice of said public hearing and the purpose thereof was given by mailing a notice of hearing to customers of the District in accordance with the requirements of said statute.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to Section 5 of Ordinance 2024-1 and ORS 264.310 and ORS 264.312, charges for Fixed Base Rate shall be increased by ten dollars ($10.00) per month for each service connection.

2. This Fixed Base rate shall be adjusted annually effective on the first of January beginning January 1, 2027, based on the previous year's water and sewerage maintenance inflation rate as reported by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics.

3. This Resolution shall take effect on July 1, 2026, and shall be reflected in each billing cycle thereafter.

4. The District Business Office Manager is hereby authorized to implement the rate adjustment, update billing systems, and take all necessary administrative actions to carry out this Resolution.

5. The District shall make a copy of this Resolution available to the public at the District office and through other media.

Adopted by the Board of Commissioners at the regular Board meeting held on the 21st day of April, 2026.

Ayes: 5
Nayes: 0
Absent: 0

David Boone, President

Attest: Barbara Rippey
Barbara Rippey, Secretary