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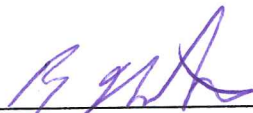
RE: 2016 Water and Sewer Utility system Rate and Fee Increases

Per Mason County resolution #146-08, all water and sewer rates fees and charges, etc. at the Mason County owned and operated Rustlewood, Beards Cove and North Bay Case Inlet water and sewer systems will increase by 0.4 % for the 2016 calendar year. The increase corresponds to the April 2015 consumer price increase (CPI-U) for the Bremerton Area for the one year period ending in April 2015. This increase applies to all charges associated with the referenced water and sewer utility systems, including monthly service rates, connection charges, permit fees, etc.

This increase is to cover the annual cost increase experienced by the County for the operation and maintenance of the above referenced water and sewer utility systems.

Per resolution No. 04-12 amending Title 13 of the Mason County Code to revise chapter 13.31, the Belfair Sanitary Sewer Code and the monthly rate for sewer service shall remain at \$96.00 per month for 2016. Capital Facility Charges (connection charges) shall increase from \$10,200 per Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) to \$13,000 beginning January 1, 2016. All other permit fees inspection fees and charges shall remain unchanged in 2016.

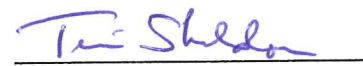
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