

Due to federal mandates by the EPA, the Glasgow Water Company is being forced to increase its rates by a minimal amount to fund rehabilitation projects with the sewer and water infrastructure. Glasgow City residents will see an increase of \$4.15 to their minimum bill from the Glasgow Water Company. The minimum rate for water usage will be \$8.42; an increase of \$1.40, and the minimum rate for sewer service will be \$11.15; an increase of \$2.75. This will take affect following the second reading of an ordinance passed on first reading at last night's Glasgow City Council meeting.

Glasgow Water Company General Manager, Scott Young, addressed the council on the matter. He says, while the water company has been recognized for improvements, the Environmental Protection Agency is recommending that they finish rehabilitation projects within a time period of four years in order to avoid legal action.

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Young did note that the last rate increase for water usage occurred in May of 2003, and the last rate increase for sewer service was in 2006. In the state of Kentucky, 25% of water companies have had a rate increase in the last year, and 22% of sewer service providers have had a rate increase in the last year. Glasgow Water Company Rates will remain among the lowest in the state, even after the ordinance takes affect.

The Glasgow City Council went into closed session at the end of last night's meeting to discuss pending litigation of a personnel matter, however, no action was taken.