

TOWNSHIP OF PORTER  
COUNTY OF CASS, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Resolution # 08-11

Septage Receiving Fee Structure

August 11, 2015

WHEREAS, the Porter Township Wastewater Treatment Plant (PTWWTP) is a septage waste receiving facility and the service area of the PTWWTP is the entire area within a 25 mile radius from the PTWWTP; and

WHEREAS, Section 11715 of NREPA authorizes a local unit of government such as Porter Township to prohibit the application of septage waste to land within that governmental unit if a receiving facility is available that can lawfully accept all septage waste generated within that governmental unit that is not lawfully applied to land; and

WHEREAS, rates, fees, charges or other costs for disposal of septage at the PTWWTP shall be established by resolution of the Township Board, which may be amended from time to time and the last time such rates, fees, charges or other costs were examined by the PTWWTP was in August 2011; and

WHEREAS, the PTWWTP, by and through the Porter Township Sewer Board, has analyzed the rates charged by various septage waste receiving facilities that compete with the PTWWTP, and the PTWWTP discovered that its rate is below market; and

WHEREAS, based on four (4) years of experience, the PTWWTP concludes that continuing to provide a prepaid discount for septage is administratively complicated, inefficient, and no longer feasible; and

WHEREAS operation of the PTWWTP as a septage receiving facility receiving septage waste from within its service area continues to benefit the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Porter Township and the surrounding area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Porter Township hereby adopts the following fee structure for disposal of septage waste at the PTWWTP, which fee structure may be amended from time to time by the Porter Township Board:

1. Haulers of domestic septage as described in the Porter Township Septage Receiving Ordinance will pay a per gallon charge based on the annual OM & R (operation, maintenance and debt repayment), which includes costs of the receiving station, a portion of the treatment facility that is handling the solid's disposal and the processing of supernatant from the solids handling. In addition, the rates are structured to include debt repayment of the loan in 2005 to build the

receiving station. The rate will be increased from \$0.049 per gallon to \$0.0575 per gallon.

2. PTWWP shall provide no discount for pre-paid septage from this date forward although PTWWP will honor any pre-paid discounts purchased prior to this resolution.
3. Porter Township reserves the right to amend any and all fees for disposal of septage at the PTWWTP upon approval by the Porter Township Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution take effect October 1, 2015. Any policies or provisions of prior resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are hereby rescinded.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Porter Township Board held on \_\_\_August 11, 2015\_\_\_; that the meeting was conducted and public notice of the meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act; that a quorum of the Board was present and voted in favor of the resolution; and that the minutes of the meeting will be or have been made available as required by the Open Meetings Act.

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Marty Russell, Clerk  
Porter Township