Public Information Meeting:
Transitioning CECO Customers to County Sewer Service

November 13, 2019

Presented by:
Department of Public Works
Department of Finance
Purpose

• To update current CECO customers and other interested parties on:
  • The project to connect CECO to the County’s Cherry Hill sewer system
  • Plans to transition CECO customers to County sewer service
  • To afford you an opportunity to ask questions
  • To hear your concerns about the transition
Agenda

• Part 1: Project Update
• Part 2: Plans to Transition to County Sewer Service
• Part 3: Q & A
Part 1
Project Update
Project Scope – Phase I

- Construct a sewer pumping station & pipe to convey sewage from Manchester Park to the County’s Cherry Hill sewer system.
Project Scope – Phase I (Continued)

• Estimated total project cost = $2.85M

• Funding Source: MDE grant funding (Bay Restoration Funds)

• Current Status = 20% complete

• Estimated Completion Date = February 2020
Project Scope – Phase II

• Decommission & remediate the CECO sewage treatment lagoons

• Method of remediation = TBD

• Follow-on use of site = TBD

Currently on hold pending receipt of funding from the Maryland Department of the Environment
Part 2

Transition to County Sewer Service
### Steps in the Transition to County Sewer Service

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<th>Projected Date</th>
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<td>1)</td>
<td>County completes connection to Cherry Hill sewer system</td>
<td>February 2020</td>
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<td>2)</td>
<td>County closes on acquisition of CECO sewer collection system &amp; assumes ownership and responsibility for operation</td>
<td>February/March 2020</td>
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<td>3)</td>
<td>County sends out bills for the 1/1/20 – 3/31/20 quarter</td>
<td>April 2020</td>
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<td>4)</td>
<td>Payment due for 1/1/20 – 3/31/20 quarter</td>
<td>June 1, 2020</td>
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**Note:** All dates are estimates only and are subject to change.
Rates

- CECO’s Rates (as approved by the Maryland PSC in 2001)
  - $46.84 Quarterly Fixed Customer Charge
  - $9.36/1000 gallons Usage Charge (for flow over 4933 gallons)

- CECO customer using 9000 gallons/quarter should have been charged:
  - $46.84 Quarterly Fixed Customer Charge
  - $37.44 Usage Charge (4 x $9.36 = $37.44)
  - $84.28 Total (not including BRF fee)

Note: $84.28 in 2001 equates to $121.91 today.*

Rates (Continued)

- Current County Rates (as approved by the County Council)
  - Metered rate based on water consumption as reported by Artesian
    - $13.65/1000 gallons (for flow up to 100,000 gallons/quarter)
    - 9000 gallons minimum/quarter

- County sewer customer using 9000 gallons/quarter will be charged $13.65 x 9 = $122.85/quarter (plus BRF fee)

That equates to about $1.37 per day.

The Wastewater Division Fee Schedule is available on the DPW Wastewater Division portion of the County website at: www.ccgov.org/government/public-works/public-works-divisions/wastewater-division
Rates (Continued)

• What do you get for your money:
  • Somebody who will answer the phone 24/7

  • Somebody who will maintain the sewer collection system and respond when there is a problem

  • Somebody who will operate the Wastewater Treatment Plant in an environmentally-responsible manner, with the waste being treated to a much higher standard with much less risk to public health and the environment
Cecil County Department of Finance

Sewer Billing

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<th>Billing Period</th>
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<td>July - September</td>
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Payments may be made in person, over the phone or sent by mail to:

Cecil County Government
200 Chesapeake Blvd
Suite 1100
Elkton, MD 21921
(410)996-5385

Cecil County also offers online payments using its easy and convenient Munis Self Service. This service can be reached through Cecil County Government’s website at [www.ccgov.org](http://www.ccgov.org). Credit Card and Debit Card transactions have a 2.39% convenience fee. E-Check payments can be made for a flat rate fee of 95 cents.
Sewer Billing (Continued)

Sample Bill #1 – Based on 7,000 Gallons of Usage
Sample Bill #2 – Based on 17,000 Gallons of Usage

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<td>CHERRY HILL SEWER</td>
<td>12/31/2019</td>
<td>10/01/2019</td>
<td>17000</td>
<td>232.05</td>
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<td>STATE BAY RESTORATION FEE</td>
<td>12/31/2019</td>
<td>10/01/2019</td>
<td>0</td>
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Last Payment Amt: .00
Last Payment Date: .00
Principal Past Due: .00
Past Due Interest: .00
Current Charges: 247.05
Amount Due: $247.05
Part 3

Q & A
For additional information

• Regarding billing, contact:
  Department of Finance at (410) 996-5390

• Regarding the construction project, contact:
  Department of Public Works at (410) 996-5268

You will receive a New Sewer Customer Welcome Packet with additional information once the transfer date is set.