

## **ARTICLE VII. WATER RENTS AND CHARGES**

### **Section 701 Water Rents to Be Paid**

All persons having, or occupying lots, parcels or tracts of land situated within the District shall pay, to the receiver of Water Charges, at the times provided by the Town Board, rents and charges as may be established by Town Board Resolution, from time to time, and based on their criteria set forth in the following sections. Nothing, however, shall prevent the Town Board from collecting the rents and charges pursuant to different mechanisms and at different times, as may be established by Town Board Resolution.

### **Section 702 Authority to Combine**

The source of the revenues for retiring debt service, capital expenditures, operation and maintenance of the District, shall be a combination of unit basis and a Water Use Charge assigned to owners of property located within the Water District.

### **Section 703 Collection of Unpaid Water Rents and Charges**

Each Water Use Charge levied pursuant to this local law is hereby made a lien on the premises which it relates, and if the same is not paid within thirty (30) days after it shall be due and payable, it shall be certified to the fiscal officer of the Town of Westerlo, who shall place the same on the real property tax bill for that year, with interest and penalties allowed by law, and thereafter collected as other Town taxes are collected.

Those water customers, who thirty (30) days after bills have been rendered for the services described herein, and at the rate prescribed herein, have not paid their bill, shall be deemed to be delinquent, and the services to their premises may be disconnected at the order of the Town Board.

Further, and in accordance with Albany County Resolution 465(1) of 2014 regarding termination of water services of those residents with consistent water relevies on unpaid property tax bills, the Westerlo Water Board is authorized to terminate water services to Water District residents who:

1. Have not paid their water district bills for two consecutive annual fiscal periods; and
2. Have not paid their annual property tax bills for that same two consecutive year period, resulting in a repetitive re-levy of water charges onto the following year's property tax bill.

Services shall be terminated no later than April 30<sup>th</sup> of the second consecutive fiscal year as set forth above