

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance No. 543

Amend Chapter 8 Sewer Use Ordinance/User Charge System

The Village of West Salem Board of Trustees will conduct a public hearing pertaining to Ordinance No. 543 on **Tuesday, February 17, 2026**.

Ordinance No. 543, if adopted, will delete Section 1, Article II, Sec. 214 and will be recreated as follows:

SEC. 214 - FLOATABLE OIL AND FAT, WAX, OIL, AND GREASE (FOG) shall mean oil, fat, or grease in a physical state such that it will separate by gravity from wastewater by treatment in an approved pretreatment facility. Wastewater shall be considered free of floatable oil if it is properly pretreated and the wastewater does not interfere with the collection system. FOG also shall mean substances with similar physical characteristics which are determined quantitatively on the basis of the common solubility in trichloro trifluoroethane or other analytic method as may be approved by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources or Environmental Protection Agency such as, but not limited to, the Hexane Extractable Materials (HEM) method. Quantitative determinations of fat, wax, oil, and grease are performed in accordance with the procedures set forth in 40 CFR 136.

The Ordinance will also create Section 1, Article II, Section 250 and will read as follows:

SEC. 250 – SEPTAGE shall mean the scum, liquid, sludge, or other waste from a septic tank, soil absorption field, holding tank, or privy. This term does not include the waste from a grease interceptor.

The Ordinance, if adopted, will increase the wastewater discharge permit fee from \$50 to \$100, a rate included in the variable charge for TKN (nitrogen), increasing from \$3.08 per 1,000 of metered flow to \$3.60 per 1,000 gallons of metered flow, as well as an increase in unmetered user charge from \$46.20 per quarter to \$54.00 per quarter.

The Ordinance, if adopted, will also update enforcement of Septic Tank, Holding Tank, or Other Waste Material Disposal violations as set forth in the amended Ordinance.

A copy of the proposed Ordinance is available at the Village Administration Office.

This hearing will be held at **7:00 p.m.** in the Community Center Meeting Room.

Ashley M. Bohl, Clerk/Treasurer
Village of West Salem