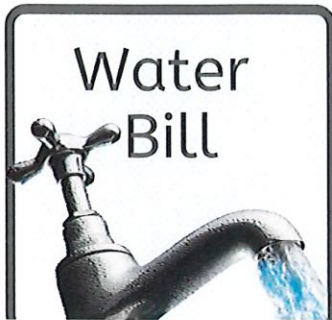


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### Utility Bill breakdown

Due to increasing cost for operation of water and sewer departments the water and sewer base rate has increased effective April 1<sup>st</sup> 2022

Service	Old	New
Water	20.18	20.50
Sewer	27.82	28.25
Meter	2.00	No Change
Trash	15.00	No Change
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.00</b>	<b>65.75</b>

This cost is based off of using 0 to 3,000 gal of water. For a complete table go to [www.elsie.org](http://www.elsie.org) or pick up a copy at the office. For more information, please contact the village office at 989-862-4273 ext 0

**The new 2022 Golf Cart Permits are in! Get your FREE permit at the village office.**

### From the Village Office

## Blight Ordinance is being Enforced



Thankfully the snow has melted, and spring is here. It's now time to do those tasks you have been putting off all winter, like removing that old broken dryer that stopped working when we had all that snow, get that old project car out of your driveway and into the garage, maybe it's time to pass it on to the next guy looking for a project, or maybe you have left over lumber and siding from your project you did in the fall..... Those are the items our police and code enforcement officers will be getting complaints on.

The Code enforcement team has been busy investigating complaints already this year. Like most things in government, these complaints take time to work. Our officers have to be notified of the issue, investigate it, send written notice to the property owner, and give them time to take care of the issue. IF they don't take care of the issue, more letters go to the property owner, and then the last resort a municipal civil infraction (aka a ticket) will be issued. The property owner will have to take care of the ticket at court house in St Johns.

The goal of this ordinance is to make our town look good and be safe for our residents and visitors. In most cases communication is the key. If you find yourself on the receiving end of a code violation, communicate with the village, and let's come up with a resolution together. If you have any questions on village codes go to our website [www.elsie.org](http://www.elsie.org) or call Village Manager/ Code Enforcement officer Shane Grinnell 989-862-4273 ext 7 or email at [manager@elsie.org](mailto:manager@elsie.org)

#### **Sec. 24-65. - Prohibited accumulations.**

*It is unlawful for any owner, occupant, possessor or any person having control of any open lot, field or open part thereof to allow any old, discarded and nonoperating cars, vehicles unlicensed more than 90 days, car parts, tractors, machinery, household appliances, old iron, used lumber, debris and other unsightly junk, or other personal property that because of age, wear and tear, lack of repair or other causes is no longer usable as such in its current condition to be stored or remain in any such open lot, field or open part of either for a period of more than 30 days.*