CITY OF MUSKEGO
WATER UTILITY & REFUSE/RECYCLING INFORMATION

The following requirements are those generally applicable to homes, businesses, and developments intending to utilize Muskego's Water Utility. It is advisable to contact all City offices to determine any additional costs or requirements associated with your particular situation. Contact information is provided at the end of this document.

Please review all information. The following may or may not apply to your unique situation.

Water Construction Fee (Permit Costs)

A plumbing permit is required to construct a water line from the building to the existing lateral or water main, as applicable. This fee is $60.00 for the first 100 feet of water plus 20 cents per foot over 100 ft. (minimum permit fee of $60.00).

Water Usage Fee

Upon connection to the Utility, you will be assessed a Water Usage Fee which will be pro-rated for the quarter. The Water Usage Fee is due at the end of each quarter. The current rates established 1/1/25 for single-family residence 5/8" meter is a $28.96 service charge, plus $3.74 per thousand gallons used for the first 30,000 gallons; $3.27 per thousand for the next 90,000 gallons and $2.79 per thousand for over 120,000 gallons. Public Fire Protection charge for a single-family residence is $9.77 per quarter.

WCA (Water Capacity Assessment)

This is an assessment to offset costs for construction improvements to the Utility and is based on meter size and is a one-time charge. Based on a 5/8" meter, the **2026** rate is **$1,782.00 (Increases $36.00 ea. Jan 1st) for an existing building** and **$2,970.00 (Increases $60.00 ea. Jan. 1st) for new construction**. This assessment can be put on a 5-year payment plan on the tax bill, plus 8% interest per annum, or is paid in full any time before November 1st of any given year. Payment is not due until the property is connected to water and the water meter is installed.

Per City Ordinance, all multi-family dwellings require individual metering per unit. For all commercial and industrial properties, please call for more information related to these costs as the assessments are based on type of business and will vary greatly on type of use.

Front Foot and Lateral Assessments

As part of a water project constructed by the City, your property may be assessed a front foot assessment for actual frontage or a 150 ft. maximum, the remainder frontage will be deferred (accruing interest at the rate of 8% per annum) and will become payable upon any land use or development. This assessment can be placed on a 10-year payment plan, which will be placed on the tax bill in 10 installments, plus interest, or be paid any time before November 1st of any given

year. The front foot assessment rate will be determined on an actual cost basis for each project as determined by the City Engineer.

Lateral costs from the main to the property line can also be paid in full any time before November 1st of any given year or be put on a 10-year payment plan, plus 8% interest. Lateral costs from the property line to the building will be the responsibility of the owner who will contract with a private plumbing contractor to install the lateral.

Street Excavation Fees (Not applicable to City Projects)

Permit: A permit is required to excavate for utility installations. Required approval and permits fees can be obtained online by visiting http://www.muskego.wi.roway.net/. Questions related to street excavation permits can be directed to the Engineering Division.

Refuse & Recycling Information

The **2026** rate for all residential units is $137.80 per year per unit. Service will be billed quarterly at a rate of $34.45 per unit and will be billed with the quarterly sewer and/or water bills where applicable. By City Ordinance, the charges begin the first of the month following the date of the occupancy permit.

For More Information

- Building & Engineering: 262-679-4145
- Public Works / Utilities: 262-679-4128
- Utilities Accounting: 262-679-5632
- https://www.muskego.wi.gov/departments/public_works/utilities/index.php - Utilities Page
- https://ecode360.com/29718067 - Chapter 355 (Water) & Chapter 350 (Waste Management)