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Summary of Rates & Finance Subcommittee August 1, 2019 meeting
For MWPAAC General Meeting on August 28, 2019

1. Capacity Charge Rate Study Group-Workgroup Recommendations

Presenter: Gregg Cato – Alderwood Water & Wastewater District

Mr. Cato gave a presentation that summarized the results of the Capacity Charge Rate Study Workgroup, a project with more than two years effort expended. The presentation included background information and several possible scenarios that could be implemented to make the Capacity Charge more equitable:

- Option 2: A charge based on the current system but redefines the definitions of RCEs, including new a classification for Micro-unit housing. Option 2 was further broken into “a” and “b” components which group small single family and multifamily differently.
- Option 3: A charge based on square footage of new construction. As with option 2, option 3 has been broken into subcategories: one based on a uniform rate per square foot, one that has an incremental block rate per square foot, and two that have a uniform charge per square foot with a square footage cap.
- Two options were presented for new commercial connections as well. The “status quo” and a new option that would base the charge on meter size.

The workgroup will recommend that the general membership approve the modified status quo method (which uses household size data by household type from American Community Survey as the basis for the RCE; and adds new categories for Attached Dwelling Unit, Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit and Small Efficiency Dwelling Unit) for new residential connections and maintain the status quo for commercial connections.

If you are interested in the handout for this presentation, it is available [here](#).

The members of the Rates & Finance Subcommittee thanked Mr. Cato and all the participants of the workgroup for their efforts over what became a very long and involved project.

The next Rates and Finance Subcommittee meeting will be held on September 5, 2019.
Please attend!

Questions?

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