

**ORANGE WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY** 

A public, non-profit agency providing water, sewer and reclaimed water services to the Carrboro-Chapel Hill community.

## MEETING SUMMARY Finance Committee Meeting September 13, 2012, 5:30 - 7:00 P.M., OWASA Board Room

<b>Committee Members:</b>	John Young (Chair), Terri Buckner, Will Raymond, Amy Witsil
Other Board Members:	Michael Hughes, Dana Stidham
Staff:	Mason Crum, Pat Davis, Greg Feller, John Greene, Ed Holland, Ed Kerwin, Heidi Lamay, Kevin Ray, Kelly Satterfield, Stephen Winters
Public:	Christine Boyle, Mac Clarke, Shadi Eskaf

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the ongoing rate study.

Staff and the consulting firm of Burton & Associates presented findings and recommendations resulting from their study of OWASA's rate structure. The purpose of the study is to analyze and identify potential changes to our rate structure to ensure it continues to support our strategic priorities related to cost-of-service, conservation and affordability.

At the meeting, the Committee received and discussed written correspondence from two customers, Mr. Mac Clarke and Ms. Heather Payne.

The Committee reviewed analysis related to:

- Fixed monthly water and sewer service charges
- Sewer charges for individually-metered residential customers
- Block rates
- Drought surcharges

Any decisions to modify OWASA's rate structure will be made by the Board of Directors during the budget planning process for Fiscal Year 2014 which will include opportunities for the public to provide input.

## **Next Meeting**

The Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at 8:00 AM in the OWASA Boardroom to discuss the results and recommendations of the rate study.

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Stephen Winters, CPA Director of Finance & Customer Service

c: OWASA Board of Directors