# Town of Verona Water District 3: 2022

# New and Existing Water Residents within the Town of Verona

**Questions and Answers** 

# Who is receiving water?

Everyone that is receiving water, has been sent an Easement of Water Service to review, sign and return.

Generally, this new lines are in the Hamlet of New London, down Senn Road to Blackmans' Corners Rd., through to Rock Road and connecting to existing infrastructure there. There are additional connections into the existing water lines, for Germany Road, Sand Hill Road and Old Rome Oneida Road.

Please note, not ALL portions of those roads are in the new water layout and may not receive water service.

# Why am I not receiving water, I'm right next to existing water customers?

This Water District 3 and Improvement Project, started back in 2018 with surveys to home owners through out Verona, the feed back is what created the foot print we have today. Due to numerous delays', mostly the pandemic, bidding and project completion was not viable until this year.

# Where will the water be coming from?

Our current customers are supplied from Oneida. Oneida can only offer the Town a specific volume of water, therefore the Town went out in search of another district that could supply the additional water needs. Rome has just gone through a water infrastructure overall, continuing that this year along Rt. 46. We saw this as an opportunity for the residents of Verona. Rome can supply the Town's water needs and going forward any additional needs if they may arise.

#### I have Oneida Water already, and would like to stay with Oneida. Is that possible?

Unfortunately, NO. The Town of Verona can not intermix municipal water sources. The benefits from Rome's recent upgrades will far out weigh those from Oneida. Oneida is scheduled to do a complete water overhaul within the coming years, but they still will not be able to supply the Town of Verona with sufficient water.

# Who is paying for this?

The Town has secured federal and state grants to cover some of the project cost. OIN is also working on securing federal funds to cover a portion of the cost. However, with a project of this size, the cost is great, therefore the balance of the cost will be on the residents of the Town that are receiving water. Please keep in mind there is a cap set by the County on how much water can cost annually per household.

Currently, the projection cost to residents is as follows:

Existing customers will see a debt service of roughly \$249 on their taxes, plus, quarterly billing will continue for usage

New customers will see a debt service of roughly \$397 on their taxes, plus, start receiving quarterly billing for usage

Average usage for a family of 4 breaks out to roughly \$137.75 per quarter All in.

Existing customers will pay roughly \$800; New customers roughly \$948 annually [These numbers could vary greatly based on personal household usage]