



NEW PALTZ CONSOLIDATION

WATER AND SEWER: WHO PAYS AND WHO DOESN'T

The Super Quick Version!



The Critical Context

- If the Town and Village of New Paltz consolidate, the administrative management of water and sewer services will change, but the funding structure, including who pays, will not.
- Currently, Village residents use a municipal utility, while Town-Outside-Village (TOV) residents who are on public water and sewer get it through special districts.



If You Are on a Private Well & Septic System

- You do not and would not pay for public water or sewer use or infrastructure. This remains true whether consolidation happens or not.
- New York law confines a water or sewer district's costs to that district so they are not spread to residents outside of the district (see New York Town Law §§ 198, 202, 202-a).



If You Are on Public Water & Sewer

- **Village Residents:** The Village utility will dissolve. The Town will replace it by creating the "Hamlet Water District" and "Hamlet Sewer District," keeping the exact same boundaries.
- **Town-Outside-Village (TOV) Residents Who Are on Public Water and Sewer:** Your districts will continue as they operate today.
- The Town will take over management of all districts, but the customer bases will not change.



Water & Sewer Debt

- If consolidation occurs, existing water and sewer debt continues to be paid by the same customers who pay it today.
- No water or sewer debt is shifted to the Town's general taxpayers.

Visit newpaltzconsolidation.com for more information on the consolidation process and FAQs.