

# TOWN OF BENSON



## FEE SCHEDULE FY 2017-2018

**EFFECTIVE DATE: JULY 1, 2017**

**AMENDED DATE: July 1, 2017**

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**AMENDED CHANGES TO FEE SCHEDULE**

June 13, 2017: Amendments made for the FY 2017/2018 Budget:  
Residential Electric decrease  
Increase in base fee for Sewer  
Increase in Refuse rates for Jan 2018  
Increase fee for Meter Testing

January 1, 2017: Amended to show changes in *Finance Department* for deposits and fees.

## PLANNING, ZONING & INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT

For rezoning, special use permits, and other actions by the Planning Board, Board of Adjustments, and Board of Commissioners	\$250.00
Subdivision Review (Minor)	\$50.00
Subdivision Review (Major)	\$250.00
Site Plan Review	\$50

### BUILDING INSPECTIONS

New Dwellings (Single Family)	
Up to 1200 sq. ft.	\$500.00
Over 1200 sq. ft.	\$500.00 plus \$0.25 per sq. ft. over

*\*By state law, a \$10 fee is added in the cost of all building permits (except individual trade permits). This fee goes to the state's Homeowners Recovery Fund. All new single-family dwelling permits have an additional \$200 recreational impact fee added to the total cost.*

Residential Remodeling/Additions	
Up to 400 sq. ft.	\$150.00
Over 400 sq. ft.	\$(Same as New Dwelling)

Multi-Family Dwelling (three units +)	
First Unit	\$400.00
Each Additional Unit	\$150.00

Mobile Homes	
Single-Wide	\$150.00
Double-Wide	\$175.00
Triple-Wide	\$200.00

Residential Accessory Buildings (12x12 and over)	
Storage Buildings	\$65.00
Garage/Carport	\$75.00
Deck/Porch/Gazebo	\$35.00
<i>(Additional trade fees of \$50 each trade if electrical, plumbing, or mechanical)</i>	

Individual Trade Permits	
Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical (Change-out Service)	\$50.00

## Commercial Buildings

*Commercial fees are based on total project costs per trade. When submitting your building permit application please have project cost broken down into building, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing.*

For projects over \$1,000,000 multiply the remaining job cost by .002 (.2%) plus \$6,200.00.

\$0-2,500	\$50.00
\$2,501-25,000	\$200.00
\$25,001-50,000	\$400.00
\$50,001-100,000	\$800.00
\$100,001-200,000	\$1,600.00
\$200,001-350,000	\$2,800.00
\$350,001-500,000	\$3,700.00
\$500,001-750,000	\$4,975.00
\$750,001-1,000,000	\$6,200.00
Demolition	
Residential/Commercial (plus asbestos report)	\$50.00
Other Inspections	
Updated for expired Permits	\$150.00
Service Pole	\$50.00
Signs	\$25.00 Bldg \$50.00 Elec
Swimming Pools	\$25.00 Bldg \$50.00 Elec
Water Line Connection	\$35.00
Replace roof with different Load style or structure	\$50.00
Farm Buildings Large than 12x12	\$50.00
Re-Inspection	\$50.00

- **Failure to secure a permit on required work is subject to a fee that is double the original. Please contact 919-894-1606 before you begin your work**

## ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

### Residential

Basic Customer Charge	\$25.00
LM Basic Customer Charge	\$10.00
Energy-All kWh	\$0.1097

### Small General Commercial: *Requirement <10,000*

Basic Customer Charge	\$25.00
LM Basic Customer Charge	\$10.00
Energy-1 <sup>st</sup> 1,000 kWh	\$0.1394
Energy-Next 1,000 kWh	\$0.1032
Energy-All Additional kWh	\$0.0972

### Medium General Commercial: *Requirement >10,000*

Basic Customer Charge	\$45.00
Demand-1 <sup>st</sup> 40 kW	\$3.50
Demand-All Add't kW	\$6.95
Energy-1 <sup>st</sup> 1,000 kWh	\$0.1432
Energy-Next 4,000 kWh	\$0.1174
Energy-All Additional kWh	\$0.0938

### Large General Service-CP Rate: *Requirement >50 kW=>30% CP kW LM*

Basic Customer Charge	\$250.00
CP Demand	\$24.90
Excess Demand	\$3.25
Energy	\$0.0529

### Public School CP Rate

Basic Customer Charge	\$175.00
CP Demand	\$24.90
Excess Demand	\$2.10
Energy	\$0.0529

### Area Lights

High Pressure Sodium-100W	\$11.00
High Pressure Sodium-250W	\$17.30
HPS/Mercury Vapor-400W	\$25.30
Mercury Vapor-1000W	\$49.25
Metal Halide-1500W	\$73.90
Metal Halide-1500W	\$73.65
LED-40-48W	\$9.65
LED-60-68W	\$12.20
LED-100-130W	\$14.95
LED-218-230W	\$21.15

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

Refuse Collection	<b><u>July 2017</u></b>	<b><u>Jan 2018</u></b>
General Refuse Service	\$23.33	\$23.84
General Backyard Service	\$40.31	\$41.19
Senior/Disabled Refuse Service (70 years or older)	\$23.33	\$23.84
1 Extra Yard Debris	\$6.36	\$6.49
1 Extra Trash Cart	\$11.40	\$11.65
1 Extra Recycle Bin	\$3.57	\$3.64

**SEWER DEPARTMENT**

Residential/Commercial Inside City Limits

Basic Customer Charge	\$11.50
Usage per 1,000 Gallons	\$5.29

Residential/Commercial Outside City Limits

Basic Customer Charge	\$13.50
Usage per 1,000 Gallons	\$8.96

Connection Charge for Sewer Taps:

\$1,100.00 minimum OR  
Town of Benson cost of  
Installation; whichever is  
greater

**WATER DEPARTMENT**

Residential/Commercial Inside City Limits

Basic Customer Charge	\$10.00
Usage per 1,000 Gallons	\$4.29

Residential/Commercial Outside City Limits

Basic Customer Charge	\$12.00
Usage per 1,000 Gallons	\$6.93

Connection Charge for Water Taps:

\$600.00 minimum OR  
Town of Benson cost of  
Installation; whichever is  
greater

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

### LATE/DISCONNECTION FEES

Utility bills are due 15 days after the bill date. A 1.5% late penalty will be added on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the billing cycle. On the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of the billing cycle, disconnection will occur. Fees are generated as followed:

Reconnection Fee:	\$25.00
After Hours Reconnection Fee:	\$50.00
Return Check Fee:	\$25.00

### UTILITY DEPOSITS

A Utility Deposit is required for ALL renters moving into the Town of Benson. Utility Deposits are determined based on credit history.

Deposits (Green Credit Rating):

Electric	\$ 50
Water	\$ 25
Sewer	\$ 25
Separate Service/ Same Premises (Ex. Utility Bldg.)	\$ 50

Deposits (Yellow Credit Rating):

Electric	\$ 250
Water	\$ 40
Sewer	\$ 40
Separate Service/ Same Premises (Ex. Utility Bldg)	\$ 50

Deposits (Red Credit Rating/No Social Security Card Provided):

Electric	\$ 450
Water	\$ 80
Sewer	\$ 80
Separate Service/ Same Premises (Ex. Utility Bldg)	\$ 50

Deposits will stay on file until the account holder closes their account. At that time, the deposit will apply to the final bill and then all other monies left will be mailed to the account holder in check form.

Meter Tampering Fees

Cut Seal/Lock: EL or WA meters; LM Switch \$50.00  
EL/Water Meter Tamp: Manipulating device \$500.00 + usage  
Load Management Tamp: Manipulating device \$200.00

Meter Test Fee: \$50.00 (3/4" Water Meter)  
\$75.00 (1" Water Meter)  
\$50.00 (Electric Meter)  
*If the meter recheck comes back and there was a problem, the Town will reimburse the customer back for the recheck.*

Miscellaneous Fees:

Golf Cart Permits: \$40.00  
Re-inspection of Golf Cart (If failed 1<sup>st</sup> time) \$10.00  
Notary: \$5.00  
Faxes: \$1.00 1<sup>st</sup> Page Local  
\$.50c additional pages  
\$2.00 1<sup>st</sup> Page Long Distance  
\$1.00 additional pages

## CONFERENCE CENTER

Deposit: \$150 CASH for all rentals

Rates:

<i>Residents</i>
\$35/room/hr
\$350/day*
<i>Non-Residents</i>
\$60/room/hr
\$500/day*
<i>Non-Profit</i>
\$25/room/hr
\$200/day*

- \*Fee is based on 12 hour time period for board room, meeting room, dining room and classroom & does not include Kitchen use.
- Non-Profit Organizations must be 501(C)(3) Designation

Audio/Visual Equipment: \$15/hr

- When use of lighting equipment is required with sound the rate will be \$100.00 and \$15.00 each additional hour

Kitchen Use: \$35 Flat Fee

### Room Capacities:

Meeting Room- 40 seated with tables  
Dining Room- 25 seated with tables  
Board Room- 40 seated with tables  
Classroom- 40 seated with tables

- Failure to vacate facility at designated time without prior approval will result in overage being deducted from facility deposit

## AUDITORIUM

Deposit: \$200 CASH for all rentals

Rates: *Residents*  
\$350 1-4 hours (4H min)  
\$50 each additional hour  
*Non-Residents*  
\$400 1-4 hours (4H min)  
\$50 each additional hour  
*Non-Profit 501(C)(3) Designation*  
-Groups provide copy of  
determination letter  
50% of the above

Technical Charges:

*When use of audio equipment is required, a technician will be provided at the following rate:*

\$80 1-4 hours (4H min)  
\$15 each additional hour

*When use of lighting equipment is required with sound the following rate will be:*

\$130 1-4 hours (4H min)  
\$15 each additional hour

Projector Use: \$55.00 Flat Fee

Room Capacities:

Auditorium- 334 seats  
Patron's Room- 100 people capacity

- Failure to vacate facility at designated time without prior approval will result in overage being deducted from facility deposit

**TOWN OF BENSON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Overdue Books:	\$.25c per day per book
Non-Returned Books:	Cost of book plus \$3.00 processing fee per book
Library Card Fees:	\$FREE (Replacement card \$1)
Printer Copies:	\$.25c per sheet
Photocopies:	\$.10c per copy \$.20c per copy (front & back)

## **BENSON PARKS & RECREATION FEES**

### Athletic Fees:

#### *Residents*

##### Ages 6 Years & Under

Wee-Ball, Tee-Ball, Soccer &  
Basketball--\$20.00

##### Ages 7 Years & Above

Baseball, Softball, Basketball,  
Soccer & Volleyball--\$40.00

#### *Non-Residents*

##### Ages 6 Years & Under

Wee-Ball, Tee-Ball, Soccer &  
Basketball--\$35.00

##### Ages 7 Years & Above

Baseball, Softball, Basketball,  
Soccer & Volleyball--\$65.00

#### Adult Fees

Volleyball--\$310.00/team

Basketball--\$610.00/team

Co-Ed Softball--\$500.00/team

Men's Softball--\$500.00/team

### Exercise Membership:

\$50.00 (Residents)

\$25.00 (Senior Residents)

\$100.00 (Non-Residents)

\$50.00 (Senior Non-Resident)

- Rates will be pro-rated through the year

### Civic Center Multi-Purpose Room

#### Deposit:

\$100 for all rentals

#### Rates:

#### *Residents*

\$100 3 hours

\$30 each additional hour

#### *Non-Residents*

\$150 3 hours

\$45 each additional hour

Conference Room & Meeting Room

Deposit: \$100 for all rentals

Rates: *Residents*  
\$60 3 hours  
\$15 each additional hour  
*Non-Residents*  
\$90 3 hours  
\$25 each additional hour

Shelter Rentals

The Grove (Stage Building)

Deposit: \$25.00

Rates: *Residents*  
\$50.00/day

*Nonresidents*  
\$100/day

The Grove (Big Shelter)

Deposit: \$25 for all rentals

Rates: *Residents*  
\$30 first 2 hours  
\$5 each additional hour

*Non-Residents*  
\$60 first 2 hours  
\$10 each additional hour

Nance & Municipal Shelters (Small Shelters)

Deposit: \$25 for all rentals

Rates: *Residents*  
\$10 4 hours  
\$5 each additional hour

*Non-Resident*  
\$20 4 hours  
\$5 each additional hour

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Fire Inspections:

Under 3,000 sq. ft.	\$40.00
3,001-5,000 sq. ft.	\$75.00
5,001-10,000 sq. ft.	\$100.00
10,000-25,000 sq. ft.	\$225.00
25,001-50,000 sq. ft.	\$300.00
50,001-80,000 sq. ft.	\$400.00

- Fees include first inspection and one follow-up inspection to check compliance. Second follow-ups are \$35.00. Subsequent follow-ups are \$75.00

Conference Room Rental:  
Occupancy: 20

*Resident*  
\$50.00  
*Non-Resident*  
\$75.00

Training Room Rental:  
Occupancy: 98

*Resident*  
\$100.00  
*Non-Resident*  
\$150.00