

**RESOLUTION R-26-056**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; REGARDING FEES FOR WATER WELL PERMITTING; REVISING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR WATER WELL PERMITTING IN MANATEE COUNTY; REPEALING AND SUPERSEDING CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 373.309 of the Florida Statutes authorizes political subdivisions who carry out the responsibilities related to water well permitting to establish and collect fees for well construction permits based on the actual costs incurred; and

**WHEREAS**, Manatee County received such delegation from the Southwest Florida Water Management District and has regulated water well permitting in accordance with an Agreement between the Southwest Florida Water Management District and the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, (hereinafter "Board") since April 5, 1978, which Agreement has been reviewed annually and updated every 5 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Natural Resources Department has completed a fee schedule audit related to existing water well permitting to determine the actual costs to the County in carrying out the responsibilities related to water well permitting; and

**WHEREAS**, the results of the audit demonstrated that the existing fees do not reflect the actual costs in carrying out the responsibilities related to water well permitting; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Agreement, the County must obtain the District's concurrence in the event any fees proposed to be assessed by the County will exceed the fees currently charged by the County as set forth in Appendix 2 of the Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has provided the County with written notice of its concurrence to the proposed revised fee schedule, attached hereto as Attachment A and incorporated herein by this reference, which is based on the actual costs incurred by the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, find that revising the fee schedule as proposed to collect fees that are based on the actual costs incurred by the County is in the best interests of the County and its residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that:

Section 1. Findings. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings of the Board and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Schedule of Fees and Charges. The Board hereby adopts the schedule of fees as outlined in Attachment A. Upon collection of such fees, same shall be used to offset the costs in carrying out the County's responsibilities related to water well permitting.

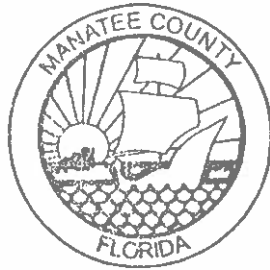
Section 3. Conflicting Resolutions. All conflicting resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby repealed, rescinded, superseded and replaced by this resolution to the extent of such conflict, and Resolution 04-068 is hereby repealed, rescinded, superseded and replaced in its entirety by this resolution.

Section 4. Severability. If any provision, portion, or section of this Resolution is found to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions, portions or sections, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Effective Date of Resolution. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Section 6. Effective Date of Fees and Charges. The fees and charges established pursuant to this resolution shall become effective on [insert date], and shall apply to all applicable services occurring on or after that date.


**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, with a quorum present and voting this 19 day of May, 2026.



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By:   
Chairperson

**ATTEST: Angelina M. Coloneso  
Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller**

By:   
Deputy Clerk

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**ATTACHMENT 'A'**  
**Effective May 19, 2026**

**WATER WELL CONSTRUCTION AND PERMITTING PROGRAM**  
**SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES**

<b>Public Supply Well</b>	<b>\$500</b>
<b>Well Abandonment</b>	<b>\$75</b>
<b>All Other Wells</b>	<b>\$265 (see footnote 1)</b>

**FOOTNOTE:**

1 "All other wells" includes, but is not limited to: irrigation wells; industrial wells; livestock wells; well repair and modification; test holes; exploratory/monitoring wells; A/C – return and discharge wells; recovery wells; and sealed water wells.