

Right to Connect Protocol and Fees

June 1, 2022

Prior to connection to the Holmes Harbor Water Company (HHWC) water system, a lot owner must purchase a 'Right to Connect' to our water share. Only lot owners in Holmes Harbor Estates with lots that have an approved Island County septic permit or 'as-built' septic site registration with the Island County Department of Health may apply for a right to connect. Water will only be available for lots within the Holmes Harbor Water Company's purview, which is limited to Holmes Harbor Estates, Division One, as shown on the Island County Plat map. After receiving an Island County-approved septic permit or as-built, lot owners desiring to build in HHE must submit building plans, that conform to HHE covenants, to our community Architectural Review Committee (ARC). Only with that committee's approval of the building plans and the acceptance of that approval by the Greenbank Beach and Boat Club, will the 'Right to Connect' be granted. As of June 1, 2022, the cost of that Right is \$15,000. The fee will increase to \$16,500 on October 1, 2022.

Once the 'Right to Connect' fee is paid and construction is underway, the owner must sign an Application for Water Service. The estimated cost of the physical hook-up is \$1500-\$2400, depending on the scope of the work. Our current water system operator, King Water Company in Coupeville, must perform the actual connection. The lot owner will be billed by HHWC for the cost of this hook-up. HHWC will bear the cost of installing a new saddle and stub-out on the water main, including a service line crossing under the paved road, if necessary. The lot owner will bear the cost of an approved water meter and a DCVA (back-flow preventer) and their installation.