

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF OAKVIEW
REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES
LOCAL URBAN DISTRICT OF RAPID CITY WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY**

December 27, 2018

The Rural Municipality of Oakview (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates for the Local Urban District (LUD) of Rapid City Water and Wastewater Utility (Utility) as set out in By-Law No. 2018-08, read the first time on December 4, 2018. Rates were last approved in 2015 in Board Order No. 141/15 on an interim basis and finalized in 2017 in Board Order No. 123/17.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates		Proposed Rates			
	By-Law 2015-18	By-Law 2018-08 Year 1	By-Law 2018-08 Year 2	By-Law 2018-08 Year 3	By-Law 2018-08 Year 4	
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 29.19	\$ 22.60	\$ 21.14	\$ 19.68	\$ 18.21	
Water (per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 27.49	\$ 34.40	\$ 35.94	\$ 37.48	\$ 39.01	
Wastewater (per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.77	\$ 3.94	\$ 4.11	\$ 4.29	
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$ 120.66	\$ 137.11	\$ 140.78	\$ 144.45	\$ 148.11	
Wastewater Only Customers**	\$ 54.69	\$ 54.65	\$ 54.63	\$ 54.62	\$ 54.68	
Hydrant Rental (annual)	\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00	
Reconnection Fee	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	

*Based on 3,000 gallons

**Based on 8,500 gallons

The following clauses were added or revised in By-law No. 2018-08. Please review the proposed By-Law at the RM for detailed information:

3. Billing and Penalties
4. Disconnection and Reconnection
5. Liability for Charges
6. Meter Reading
7. Hydrant Charges
8. Water Allowance Due to Line Freezing
10. Water Meters
12. Service to Customers Outside Utility's Limits
13. Meter Testing
14. Cross Connections
15. Conditions of Disrepair
16. Authorization for Officer to Enter Upon Premises

Details of the RM's application are available for review at the RM's office or the Public Utilities Board's office. Any questions concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, should be sent directly to the RM.

If you have concerns/comments regarding the RM's application for water and wastewater rates please go to www.pubmanitoba.ca and provide your comment. *Please note all comments will be forwarded to the Municipality.*

Questions or comments should be sent on or before **January 28, 2019**.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for water and wastewater utilities in Manitoba, with the exception of the City of Winnipeg. The Board's review process involves:

- the Utility filing a rate application to the Board,
- a public notification of proposed rate changes,
- the Board's review of the application through a public hearing or paper review process, and
- the issuance of an Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to be charged.

The Manitoba Ombudsman has privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The Board is mindful of its obligations under those guidelines. Its decisions in respect of the application being considered will be sensitive to the guidelines. Personal information will not be disclosed unless it is appropriate and necessary to do so. However, the Board advises participants that these proceedings are public and that as a result, personal information protections are reduced.

The Board will then decide whether any further notice is required and whether to proceed with a public hearing or paper review process. All concerns received by the Board will be considered in the Board's decision on rates to be charged.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IN CONSIDERING THIS APPLICATION, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MAY OR MAY NOT FIND IT NECESSARY TO DETERMINE RATES DIFFERENT FROM THOSE APPLIED FOR BY THE APPLICANT.

Note: All proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, which the Board may vary in order to constrain regulatory costs. The Rules are available at www.pubmanitoba.ca.



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