

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
MUNICIPALITY OF GRASSLAND
ELGIN WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY
REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES**

May 13, 2020

The Municipality of Grassland (Municipality) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) to approve the revised water and wastewater rates, as set out in By-Law No. 45-2020, read the first time on February 25, 2020. The Elgin Water and Wastewater Utility (Utility) rates were last approved on an interim *ex parte* basis in 2011 in Board Order No. 11/11 with final rates approved in Board Order No. 134/11.

The current rates and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates		
	By-Law No. 2010-5	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 7.58	\$ 9.61	\$ 9.80	\$ 10.00
Water (per cubic meter)	\$ 3.13	\$ 7.26	\$ 7.41	\$ 7.56
Wastewater (per cubic meter)	\$ 0.85	\$ 4.59	\$ 4.68	\$ 4.77
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$ 59.32	\$ 163.66	\$ 166.97	\$ 170.29
Wastewater Only Customers**	\$ 32.23	\$ 133.54	\$ 136.16	\$ 138.79
Treated Bulk Water (per cubic meter)	\$ 3.13	\$ 7.75	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00
Treated Bulk Water - Minimum Charge	\$ 6.26	\$ 15.50	\$ 16.00	\$ 16.00
Untreated Bulk Water (per cubic meter)	\$ 3.13	\$ 3.13	\$ 3.13	\$ 3.13
Untreated Bulk Water - Minimum Charge	\$ 6.26	\$ 6.26	\$ 6.26	\$ 6.26
Disconnection/Reconnection Fee	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Rate Rider (per cubic meter)***	-	\$ 1.41	\$ 1.41	\$ 1.41

*Based on 13 cubic meters

**Current rates based on flat rate, proposed rates based on 27 cubic meters

***Rate Rider to recover the 2016 and 2017 deficits over 5 years.

Clauses were added or revised in By-Law No. 45-2020. Please review the proposed By-Law at the Municipality's office for detailed information.

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

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Municipality'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 **June 12, 2020**.

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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