

M A N I T O B A) Order No. 33/02
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) March 11, 2002

BEFORE: G. D. Forrest, Chairman
M. Girouard, Member
S. Proven, Member

**THE TOWN OF RUSSELL
WATER AND SEWER RATES
BY-LAW NO. 1410/11/01**

WHEREAS the Town of Russell has applied to The Public Utilities Board for approval of By-law No. 1410/11/01 to revise the schedule of water and rates of the said Town, and after public notice of the application - no persons signifying their desire to make representation in the matter;

AND WHEREAS the Board notes that the utility rate study which accompanied the application provided for a sum of money to be placed in a utility reserve account, and the Board therefore desires to ensure that these moneys be expended in an appropriate fashion;

AND WHEREAS the Board deems it expedient to do so;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. By-law No. 1410/11/01 of the Town of Russell BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY APPROVED;

2. The water and sewer rates set forth in Schedule "A" hereto shall apply to all customers of the utility effective on the next billing in the normal course after the date of this Order.
3. This Order is subject to moneys being expended from the utility reserve fund only to support existing infrastructure, unless the Board has authorized the expenditure pursuant to Section 168 of The Municipal and Various Acts Amendment Act, c. 58.
4. Pursuant to Subsection 2(6) of The Public Utilities Board Act R.S.M. 1987 p.280 the sewage collection and disposal system in the Town of Russell is hereby declared to be a public utility.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$10.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"G. D. FORREST"
Chairman

"G. O. BARRON"
Secretary

Certified a true copy of Order
No. 33/02 issued by The Public
Utilities Board

Secretary

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BOARD ORDER NO. 33/02

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SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES:

1. Commodity Rates per M.G.

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Water & Sewer</u>
Domestic (First 20,000 gals/quarter)	\$7.00	\$1.00	\$8.00
Intermediate (Next 80,000 gals/quarter)	\$6.50	\$1.00	\$7.50
Wholesale (Over 100,000 gals/quarter)	\$5.75	\$1.00	\$6.75

2. Minimum Charges, Quarterly

Notwithstanding the commodity rates set forth in paragraph 1 hereof, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges set out below, which will include water allowances indicated:

(a) Water and Sewer Customers

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Group Capacity Ratio</u>	<u>Water Included Gallons</u>	<u>Customer Service Charge</u>	<u>Commodity Charge</u>		<u>Total Quarterly Minimum</u>
				<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	
5/8"	1	3,000	\$10.00	\$ 21.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 34.00
3/4"	2	6,000	\$10.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 58.00
1"	4	12,000	\$10.00	\$ 84.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 106.00
1 1/2"	10	30,000	\$10.00	\$ 205.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 245.00
2"	25	75,000	\$10.00	\$ 497.50	\$ 75.00	\$ 582.50
3"	45	135,000	\$10.00	\$ 861.25	\$135.00	\$1,006.25
4"	90	270,000	\$10.00	\$1,637.50	\$270.00	\$1,917.50

(b) Sewer Only for Residential Customers

All customers connected to the sewer system but not to the water system, shall pay a flat rate for sewer service of \$24.00 plus the service charge of \$10.00 for a total of \$34.00.

3. Bulk Sales Rate

All water sold in bulk by the Town of Russell shall be charged for at the rate of \$1.00 per 100 gallons on a pro-rated basis for all quantities greater than 300 gallons. For any quantity of 300 gallons or less the minimum charge will be \$3.00.

4. Service to Customers outside Municipality, Town, or L.I.D. limits

The Council of the Town of Russell may sign agreements with customers for the provision of water and sewer services to properties located outside the legal boundaries of the Town of Russell. Such agreements shall provide for payment of the appropriate rates set out in the schedule, as well as a surcharge, set by resolution of Council, which shall be equivalent to the frontage levy, general taxes and special taxes for utility purposes in effect at the time, or may be effect from time to time, and which would be levied on the property concerned if it were within these boundaries. In addition, all costs of connecting to the utility's mains and installing and maintaining service connections will be paid by the customer.

5. Billings and Penalties

Accounts shall be billed quarterly, and shall be due and payable 20 days after date of billing. A penalty of 10% of the amount of the bill shall be added if not paid by the due date.

6. Disconnection

Service may be disconnected and discontinued immediately and without further notice in the event of non-payment of the account within 30 days after due date.

7. Outstanding Bills

Pursuant to Section 236(1)(b) of The Municipal Act, the amount of all outstanding charges for water and sewer are a lien and charge upon the land serviced, and shall be collected in the same manner in which ordinary taxes upon the land are collectible, and with like remedies.

8. Hydrant Rentals

The Town of Russell will pay the utility an annual rental of \$90.00 for each hydrant connected to the system.