

M A N I T O B A) Order No. 4/03
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) January 6, 2003

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

**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARCHIE
LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (MCAULEY)
WATER AND SEWER RATES
BY-LAW #1500**

WHEREAS The Rural Municipality of Archie serving Local Improvement District No. 1 (McAuley) has applied to The Public Utilities Board for approval of By-law #1500 to revise the schedule of water and sewer rates of the said Municipality, and after public notice of the application - no persons signifying their desire to make representation in the matter;

AND WHEREAS the Board deems it expedient to do so;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. By-law #1500 of The Rural Municipality of Archie serving Local Improvement District No. 1 (McAuley) BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY APPROVED subject to amendment on second reading to agree with this Order and specifically Schedule "A" attached;

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.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$50.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"G. D. FORREST"

Chairman

"G. O. BARRON"

Secretary

Certified a true copy of
Order No. 4/03 issued by The
Public Utilities Board

Secretary

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BOARD ORDER NO. 4/03

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARCHIE

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (MCAULEY)

WATER AND SEWER RATES

BY-LAW #1500

SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES FOR METERED:

1. Commodity rates per CM

	Water	Sewer	Water and Sewer
All water consumption	\$1.40	\$.40	\$1.80

EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 1ST, 2003

2. Minimum charges, Quarterly

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

(a) Water and Sewer Customers

Meter Size	Group Cap	Water Included	Customer Serv Chg.	Commodity Charges Water	Charges Sewer	Total
2003 Rates:						
5/8"	1	3,960 gals or 18 cm	\$9.10	\$25.20	\$7.20	\$41.50
2005 Rates:						
5/8"	1	3,960 gals or 18 cm	\$10.60	\$25.20	\$7.20	\$43.00

(b) Water Only Customers

Minimum charge will be the same for each meter, but the Sewer Commodity Charge will be excluded.

(c) **Sewer Only Customers**

There are no sewer only customers in McAuley.

3. **Bulk Sales Rate**

All water sold in bulk by the RM of Archie shall be charged for at the rate of \$1.40 per cubic meter (220 gallon=1 cm=1000 liters) effective January 1st, 2003 on a pro-rated basis for all quantities greater than 500 gallons. For any quantity of 500 gallons or less during the billing quarter, the minimum charge will be \$5.00.

BILLING:

Accounts shall be billed quarterly: March, June, September, December; and shall be due and payable 30 days thereafter.

PENALTY:

2% of the amount of the bill shall be added monthly if not paid by the due date.

ADMINISTRATION FEES:

- a) A customer will be charged an administrative fee of \$10.00 to cover the cost of adding outstanding accounts to the tax roll.

4. **Service to Customers outside Municipality, Town or LUD Limits**

The Council of the RM of Archie may sign agreements with customers for the provision of water and sewer services to properties located outside the legal boundaries of the municipality. 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 in 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 main and installing and maintaining service connections will be paid by the customer.

5. **Billings, Penalties & Administration Fees**

BILLING:

Accounts shall be billed quarterly: March, June, September, December; and shall be due and payable 10 days thereafter.

PENALTY:

2% of the amount of the bill shall be added monthly if not paid by the due date.

ADMINISTRATION FEES:

- a) If a meter is not read by the 10th of the following month of the quarter, a municipal employee will read the meter at a cost of \$25.00.
- b) A customer will be charged an administrative fee of \$10.00 to cover the cost of adding outstanding accounts to the tax roll.

6. **Non Working Meters**

When a meter ceases to function and a correct reading cannot be recorded, the charge to that customer for the current quarter shall be the average of the billings for the last two quarters to the same customer or to the same premises if the occupant has changed.

7. **Disconnection & Reconnection for non-payment**

Services 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. Any service disconnected due to non-payment of account shall not be reconnected until all arrears; penalties and reconnection fee of \$25.00 have been paid.

8. **Outstanding Bills**

Pursuant to Section 252(2) of the Municipal Act, the amount of all outstanding charges for water and sewer service 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.

9. **Water Allowance due to Line Freezing**

That in any case where, at the request of the Council, a customer allows water to run continuously for any period of time to prevent the water lines in the water system from freezing, the charge to that customer for the current quarter shall be the average of the billings for the last two pervious quarters to the same customer, or to the same premises if the occupant has changed.

10. **Schedule of Quarterly Rates for unmetered properties that have Public Utility Infrastructure (water & sewer)**

That customer service charges (basic rate) be levied quarterly on all properties that do not have meters; but yet have the public utility infrastructure available for immediate service.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Quarterly Customer Service Charge</u>
Effective 2003	\$ 9.10
Effective 2005	\$10.60