

M A N I T O B A) Order No. 104/03
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) June 13, 2003

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

**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEWATER
LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (ELGIN)
WATER AND SEWER RATES
BY-LAW NO. 2003-1**

WHEREAS The Rural Municipality of Whitewater serving Local Improvement District No. 1 (Elgin) has applied to The Public Utilities Board for approval of By-law No. 2003-1 to revise the schedule of water and sewer rates of the said Municipality.

AND WHEREAS the Board deems it expedient to do so:

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. By-law No. 2003-1 of The Rural Municipality of Whitewater serving Local Improvement District No. 1 (Elgin) 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.

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. 104/03 issued by
The Public Utilities Board

Secretary

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BOARD ORDER NO. 104/03

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEWATER

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (ELGIN)

WATER AND SEWER RATES

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SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES:

1. Commodity rates per Cubic Meter

| | <u>Water</u> | <u>Sewer</u> | <u>Water & Sewer</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| All water consumption | \$1.70 | \$0.50 | \$2.20 |

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>Water Included Cubic Meters</u> | <u>Customer Service Charge</u> | <u>Commodity Charges</u> | | <u>Total Quarterly Minimum</u> |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| | | | <u>Water</u> | <u>Sewer</u> | |
| 5/8" | 13 | \$3.50 | \$22.10 | \$6.50 | \$32.10 |

(b) Water Only Customers

Minimum Charge will be the same for the meter size as shown, above, but the Sewer Commodity will be excluded.

(c) Sewer Only for Residential Customers

The Elgin Utility do charge the owners or occupants of land serviced with sewer but no water the sum of \$22.00 per quarter.

3. Bulk Sales Rate

All water sold in bulk by the Elgin Utility shall be charged for at the rate of \$1.70 per cubic meter subject to a minimum charge of three dollars and forty cents (\$3.40).

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

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitewater may sign agreements with customers for the provision of water and sewer services to properties located outside the legal boundaries of the Local Improvement District No. 1 (Elgin). 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 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 30 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. (Note: due date may be set as Council sees fit to do.)

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. Reconnection

Any service disconnected for any reason including non-payment of account shall not be reconnected until all arrears, penalties and a 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 previous quarters to the same customer, or to the same premises if the occupant has changed.