

M A N I T O B A ) Order No. 134/04  
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT ) November 8, 2004

BEFORE: Graham F. J. Lane, C.A., Chairman  
M. Girouard, C.G.A., Member  
S. Proven, P.H.Ec., Member

**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF PIPESTONE  
LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2 (RESTON)  
WATER AND SEWER RATES  
BY-LAW NO. 2004/07**

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**WHEREAS** The Rural Municipality of Pipestone serving Local Improvement District No. 2 (Reston) has applied to The Public Utilities Board for approval of By-law No. 2004/07 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 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. 2004/07 of the Rural Municipality of Pipestone serving Local Improvement District No. 2 (Reston) BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY APPROVED subject to amendment on second reading to agree with Schedule "A" attached hereto;
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.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$50.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"GRAHAM F. J. LANE, C.A."  
Chairman

"G. O. BARRON"  
Secretary

Certified a true copy of  
Order No. 134/04 issued by  
The Public Utilities Board

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Secretary

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BOARD ORDER NO. 134/04

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF PIPESTONE

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2 (RESTON)

WATER AND SEWER RATES

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**1.0-SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES**

A schedule of rates per 1,000 imperial gallons (4.54 cubic metre)

	Water	Sewer	Water & Sewer
All Water Consumption	\$6.10	\$1.65	\$7.75

**2.0-MINIMUM QUARTERLY CHARGES**

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) For metered customers minimum charges based on consumption shall be based on the following meter sizes

i) Water & Sewer Customers

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included, Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Quarterly Commodity Charges Water	Quarterly Commodity Charges Sewer	Total Quarterly Minimum
5/8"	1	3,000	\$6.50	\$ 18.30	\$ 4.95	\$ 29.75
1"	4	12,000	\$6.50	\$ 73.20	\$19.80	\$ 99.50
1 ½"	10	30,000	\$6.50	\$183.00	\$49.50	\$239.00

### **3.0-WATER ONLY CUSTOMERS**

All customers connected to the water distribution system but not to the sewer system, shall pay the quarterly bill, which includes service and water charges for the appropriate meter size.

### **4.0-BULK WATER SALES**

All water sold in bulk by the Utility shall be charged for at the rate of \$7.75/1,000 gallons pro-rated for all quantities greater than 500 gallons. All quantities for 500 gallons or less the charge will be \$4.00.

### **5.0-SERVICE FOR CONNECTING CUSTOMERS OUTSIDE THE PIPESTONE PROPERTIES REGION**

The Council of the R. M. of Pipestone may sign agreements with customers for the provision of water and sewer services to properties located outside the legal boundaries of the Community of Reston. Such agreements shall provide for payment of the appropriate rates set out in this Schedule, as well as a surcharge, set by resolution of Council, which shall be the equivalent to the frontage levy, general taxes and special taxes for utility purposes in effect at the time, or which 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.

### **6.0-BILLINGS AND PENALTIES**

A late payment charge of 1¼% shall be charged on the dollar amount owing after the billing due date. The due date will be at least fourteen days after the mailing of the bills.

### **7.0-DISCONNECTION and RECONNECTION**

Service may be disconnected and discontinued immediately and without further notice in the event of non-payment of the account within the time referred to above. Any service disconnected due to non-payment shall not be reconnected until

all arrears, penalties and a reconnection fee of \$60 have been paid.

#### **8.0-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 on the land serviced, and shall be collected in the same manner in which ordinary taxes are collectable, and with like remedies. A consumer who has not paid their bill will be charged an administration fee of \$10.00 to cover costs of adding outstanding accounts to the tax roll.

#### **9.0-HYDRANT RENTALS**

The R. M. of Pipestone will pay to the utility an annual rental of \$75.00 per year for each hydrant connected to the system.

#### **10.0-SEWER SURCHARGE**

- a) There may be levied annually, in addition to the rates set forth above, a special surcharge on sewage having a Biochemical Oxygen Demand in excess of 300 mg/L, to be set by Resolution of Council.
- b) A special surcharge for substances requiring special treatment shall be charged based on the actual costs of treatment required for the particular sewage or industrial waste.

#### **11.0-WATER METERS**

All new residential customers for sewer and water shall be metered at customer cost. Ownership, inspection and maintenance of meters will remain the responsibility of the utility system. Commercial meter maintenance will be the responsibility of the utility system but will be billed to the commercial user.

#### **12.0-WATER ALLOWANCE DUE TO FREEZING**

That in any case where, at the request of the R. M. of Pipestone, 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 billings for the last two

previous quarters to the same customer, or to the same premises if the occupant has changed.