

M A N I T O B A) Order No. 150/04
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) December 6, 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 EDWARD
LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (PIERSON)
WATER AND SEWER RATES
BY-LAW NO. 5/2004**

WHEREAS The Rural Municipality of Edward serving Local Improvement District No. 1 (Pierson) has applied to The Public Utilities Board for approval of By-law No. 5/2004 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. 5/2004 of The Rural Municipality of Edward serving Local Improvement District No. 1 (Pierson) BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY APPROVED subject to amendment on second reading to amend Clause 7 of Schedule "A" to the By-law to read:

"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.";

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. 150/04 issued by
The Public Utilities Board

Secretary

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BOARD ORDER NO. 150/04

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF EDWARD

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SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES:

1. Commodity Rates per M.G.

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Total</u>
All water consumption	3.02	2.39	5.41

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:

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included, Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Commodity Charges		Sub-Total Qtly Min.	Utility Reserve Fund	Total Qtly Minimum
				Water	Sewer			
5/8"	1	3,000	5.58	9.06	7.17	21.81	11.19	33.00
3/4"	2	6,000	5.58	18.12	14.34	38.04	53.19	91.23
2"	25	75,000	5.58	226.50	179.25	411.33	51.57	462.90

Water only Customers

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

3. Service to Customers outside L.I.D. limits

The Council of the R.M. of Edward may sign agreements with customers for the provision of water and sewer services to properties located outside the legal boundaries of the L.I.D. 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 consumer.

4. Billings and Penalties

Accounts shall be billed quarterly, and shall be due and payable 30 days after date of billing. 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.

5. 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.

6. Reconnection Fee

A customer who has had his services disconnected for any reason shall not be reconnected until all regulations have been complied with, and all arrears paid, as well as any penalties and reconnection costs, being actual costs incurred.

7. 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.

8. Hydrant Rentals

The customer shall pay to the utility an annual rental of \$75.00 for each hydrant connected to the system.