

M A N I T O B A) Order No. 95/06
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT) June 20, 2006

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

**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROLAND
REVISED WATER AND SEWER RATES
BY-LAW NO. 3-2006**

Application

The Rural Municipality of Roland (R.M.) operates a water and sewer utility serving the Local Improvement District of Roland. On April 20, 2006 the R.M. applied to the Public Utilities Board (the Board) for approval of revised water rates to recover an increase in the cost of water purchased from Pembina Valley Water Co-op. Accordingly, the R.M. sought to increase the commodity rates for water from \$7.00 to \$7.50 per 1,000 gallons.

As a consequence, with the Board's approval minimum quarterly bills for residential customers will increase from \$33.50 to \$35.00.

Details of the R.M.'s application were mailed to each customer with an invitation to write the Board with comments by June 2, 2006.

No comments were received.

The R.M. sought and obtained the Board's approval to pass through a \$0.50 increase in 2005.

The R.M. advised that it purchased 18,640,397 gallons in 2005 and on this basis the annual cost increase would be approximately \$9,320. The R.M. earned a \$15,835 surplus in 2005.

Board Findings

Having reviewed the Application, and noting that this increase was caused by reasons beyond the control of the R.M. and is necessary to preserve the financial health of the utility, the Board will approve the increase for water consumed on and after April 1, 2006.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. By-law No. 3-2006 of the Rural Municipality of Roland 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 all water consumed and on all minimum bills effective on the next billing in the normal course after the date of this Order.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$150.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

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

"G. O. BARRON"
Acting Secretary

Certified a true copy of Order No.
95/06 issued by The Public
Utilities Board

Acting Secretary

SCHEDULE "A"
TO BOARD ORDER NO. 95/06
THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROLAND
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SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES :

1. Commodity rates per M.G.

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Water & Sewer</u>
All water consumption	\$7.50	\$3.00	\$10.50

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 Charges</u>		<u>Total Quarterly Minimum</u>
				<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	
5/8"	1	3,000	\$3.50	\$22.50	\$ 9.00	\$35.00
3/4"	2	6,000	3.50	45.00	18.00	66.50
1"	4	12,000	3.50	90.00	36.00	129.50
1½"	10	30,000	3.50	225.00	90.00	318.50
2"	25	75,000	3.50	562.50	225.00	791.00

3. Bulk Sales Rate

All water sold in bulk by the Rural Municipality of Roland shall be charged for at the rate of \$7.50 per 1,000 gallons.

4. THAT the price increase take effect as at April 1, 2006.