

M A N I T O B A ) Order No. 9/13  
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT ) January 28, 2013

BEFORE:

Susan Proven, P.H.Ec., Member  
Marilyn Kapitany, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.Sc., Member

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEWATER  
LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 - MINTO  
WATER AND SEWER UTILITY  
ACTUAL DEFICIT 2010 and 2011**

**WHEREAS** the Public Utilities Board issued Order No. 151/08 on November 7, 2008 requiring all water and/or sewer utilities to report an actual year-end deficit to the Board if the utility:

1. had not received prior approval for the deficit from the Board and such deficit either exceeds \$10,000 or represents 5% of the utility's operating budget; or
2. had received prior approval for the deficit from the Board and the actual deficit:
  - a. exceeds the previously approved amount by either \$10,000 or 5% of the utility's operating budget; or
  - b. is caused as a result that differs from that upon which said approval was granted;

**AND WHEREAS** The RM of Whitewater - LID of Minto Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) incurred an operating deficit at the end of the 2010 operating year of \$12,471, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

**AND WHEREAS** The RM of Whitewater - LID of Minto Water and Sewer Utility (Utility) incurred an operating deficit at the end of the 2011 operating year of \$7,346, when calculated for regulatory purposes;

**AND WHEREAS** the Utility has requested that The Board allow for recovery of the 2010 and 2011 deficits through a rate rider for a period of three (3) years;

**AND WHEREAS** the said cause of the deficits is due to unforeseen operating expenditures, a significant reduction in bulk sales revenue due to weather and the effects of implementing Public Sector Accounting Board standards;

**AND WHEREAS** rates for the LID of Minto were last set in October 2008 by Board Order No. 132/08, and the RM has indicated a rate study and application will be submitted in 2013.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The actual 2010 operating deficit, when calculated for regulatory purposes, of \$12,471 incurred in the RM of Whitewater - LID of Minto be recovered through a rate rider against the ratepayers of the LID of Minto Water and Sewer Utility over the next three (3) years is HEREBY APPROVED;

- 2) The actual 2011 operating deficit, when calculated for regulatory purposes, of \$7,346 incurred in the RM of Whitewater - LID of Minto be recovered through a rate rider against the ratepayers of the LID of Minto Water and Sewer Utility over the next three (3) years is HEREBY APPROVED;
- 3) The RM of Whitewater - LID of Minto Water and Sewer Utility file a rate application with the Board by June 30, 2013;
- 4) The RM of Whitewater - LID of Minto Water and Sewer Utility provide notification of the approved rate rider to all of its customers no later than the next billing cycle.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$150.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"Susan Proven P.H.Ec"  
Acting Chair

"Jennifer Dubois, CMA"  
Acting Secretary

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Utilities Board

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Acting Secretary

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