News Release



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In Order No. 79/08 dated June 9, 2008 The Public Utilities Board approved the Rural Municipality of Elton's (RM) application for revised water and sewer rates for the community of Forrest.

Quarterly Rates	Existing	Approved					
	(1995)	2008		2009		2010	
Water (/REU)							
Service Charge	\$11.50	\$14.00	22%	\$18.00	29%	\$21.00	17%
Water Charge	\$38.50	\$46.00	20%	\$50.00	9%	\$56.00	12%
Bulk Water (/Tank)							
	\$3.00	\$ 3.00	0	\$3.00	0	\$ 3.00	0
Sewer (/Tank)	(2002)						
Residential, Rink, Church							
Service Charge	(1)	\$ 6.00	-	\$ 7.00	17%	\$ 7.00	0%
Sewer Charge	(1)	\$15.00	-	\$15.00	0%	\$16.00	7%
Total	\$20.00	\$21.00	5%	\$22.00	5%	\$23.00	5%
Schools							
Service Charge	n/a	\$ 6.00	-	\$ 7.00	17%	\$ 7.00	0%
Sewer Charge	n/a	\$30.00	-	\$30.00	0%	\$32.00	7%
Total	(2)	\$36.00	n/a	\$37.00	3%	\$39.00	5%

Notes:

- The sewer rate for residential customers was a flat rate of \$20.00 per quarter.
- (2) The sewer rate for schools was previously a flat rate of \$237.50 for both schools per quarter and not a per tank charge.

Services are non-metered and RM bills are based on residential equivalent units (REU); non-residential accounts are based on a multiple of a REU.

The three year rate changes will provide for rate certainty for customers and increased financial stability for Forrest and will allow the Utility to begin building its Utility reserve fund to meet future challenges.

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