

November 20, 2014

The Rural Municipality of St. Francois Xavier (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised rates for the Water and Sewer Utility as set out in By-law No. 7-2014 read the first time on October 7, 2014.Rates were last set in Board Order No.146/07.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

	Current (converted to m <sup>3</sup> )	Proposed for Apr 1, 2015	Increase/ Decrease	Proposed for Apr 1, 2016	Increase/ Decrease	Proposed for Apr 1, 2017	Increase/ Decrease
Quarterly Service Charge	\$8.50	\$8.27	-2.71%	\$8.03	-2.90%	\$7.80	-2.86%
Water \$/cubic meter	\$2.25	\$2.42	7.56%	\$2.60	7.44%	\$2.77	6.54%
Sewer \$/cubic meter	\$0.43	\$0.63	46.51%	\$0.89	41.27%	\$1.15	29.21%
Minimum Quarterly- Water and Sewer*	\$45.10	\$49.86	10.55%	\$55.63	11.57%	\$61.26	10.12%
Minimum Quarterly- Water Only*	\$39.18	\$41.27	5.33%	\$43.49	5.38%	\$45.58	4.81%
Minimum Quarterly- Sewer Only**	\$45.10	\$42.64	-5.45%	\$56.58	32.69%	\$70.54	24.67%
Bulk Water \$/cubic meter	\$2.25	\$2.48	10.22%	\$2.70	8.87%	\$2.93	8.52%
Reconnection Fee	\$40.00	\$40.00	0.00%	\$40.00	0.00%	\$40.00	0.00%
Hydrant Rental (Annual) *Proposed rates are b	\$50.00	\$50.00	0.00%	\$50.00	0.00%	\$50.00	0.00%

\*\*Proposed rates are based on 54.553 cubic meters

Proposed April 1, 2015

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Minimum Quarterly Consumption	Customer Service Charge	Water	Sewer	Quarterly Minimum Charge (Water & Sewer)	Quarterly Minimum Charge (Water Only)
5/8"	1	13.638	\$8.27	\$33.00	\$8.59	\$49.87	\$41.27
3/4"	2	27.277	\$8.27	\$66.01	\$17.18	\$91.46	\$74.28
1"	4	54.553	\$8.27	\$132.02	\$34.37	\$174.66	\$140.29
2"	25	340.957	\$8.27	\$825.12	\$214.80	\$1,048.19	\$833.39

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5/8"	1	13.638	\$8.03	\$35.46	\$12.14	\$55.63	\$43.49
3/4"	2	27.277	\$8.03	\$70.92	\$24.28	\$103.23	\$78.95
1"	4	54.553	\$8.03	\$141.84	\$48.55	\$198.42	\$149.87
2"	25	340.957	\$8.03	\$886.49	\$303.45	\$1,197.97	\$894.52

Proposed April 1, 2016

Proposed April 1, 2017

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Minimum Quarterly Consumption	Customer Service Charge	Water	Sewer	Quarterly Minimum Charge (Water & Sewer)	Quarterly Minimum Charge (Water Only)
5/8"	1	13.638	\$7.80	\$37.78	\$15.68	\$61.26	\$45.58
3/4"	2	27.277	\$7.80	\$75.56	\$31.37	\$114.73	\$83.36
1"	4	54.553	\$7.80	\$151.11	\$62.74	\$221.65	\$158.91
2"	25	340.957	\$7.80	\$944.45	\$392.10	\$1,344.35	\$952.25

Details of the RM's application are available for review at the RM of St. Francois Xavier's office or the Public Utilities Board's office. Questions concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, should be addressed to the RM of St. Francois Xavier.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for municipal water and sewer utilities. The Board's review process involves:

- the Utility filing a rate application to the Board,
- the public notification of proposed rate changes,
- the Board's review of the application through a public hearing or paper review process, and
- the issuance of a Board Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to be charged.

Any person who has concerns regarding the RM of St. Francois Xavier's application for revised rates should either write to **The Public Utilities Board** 

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or, send an email to: <u>publicutilities@gov.mb.ca</u> on or before **December 19, 2014.** 

The Board will then decide whether any further notice is required and whether to proceed with a public hearing or paper review process. All concerns received by the Board will be considered in the Board's decision on rates to be charged.

## PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IN CONSIDERING THIS APPLICATION, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MAY OR MAY NOT FIND IT NECESSARY TO DETERMINE RATES DIFFERENT FROM THOSE APPLIED FOR BY THE APPLICANT.

Note: All proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* which the Board may vary in order to constrain regulatory costs. The Rules are available at <u>www.pub.gov.mb.ca</u>

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