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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
 REVISED WATER and SEWER RATES
 Rural Municipality of Whitewater
 Local Improvement District of Minto**

June 6, 2013

The Rural Municipality of Whitewater (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised rates for the water and sewer utility of the Local Improvement District of Minto (Utility) as set out in By-law No. 2013-3 read the first time on May 8, 2013.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

	Current By-law- 2008-5	2013 By-law 2013-3	Increase/ Decrease
Quarterly Service Charge	\$13.00	\$26.98	108%
Water \$/per cubic meter	\$2.53	\$2.31	-8.70%
Sewer \$/per cubic meter	\$0.75	\$0.35	-53%
Minimum Quarterly- Water and Sewer*	\$55.64	\$61.56	11%
Sewer Only-Flat Fee per quarter	\$27.25	\$31.53	16%
Bulk Water ** \$/per cubic meter	\$3.80	\$3.83	0.79%
Reconnection Fee	\$25.00	\$50.00	100.00%

*Based on 13m³

**Minimum Charge is for 2m³

NB-These rates do not include amounts that rate payers will be billed for the recovery of the 2010 and 2011 deficits, as directed in Board Order No. 9/13, which can be viewed on the Public Utilities Board's website.

Minimum quarterly charges for meter sizes are proposed to be as follows:

Year -2013

Meter Size	Water Included Cubic Meter	Customer Service Charge	Water	Sewer	Quarterly Minimum Charge (Water & Sewer)
5/8"	13	\$26.98	\$30.03	\$4.55	\$61.56
4/5"	13	\$26.98	\$30.03	\$4.55	\$61.56

Details of the RM's application are available for review at the RM'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 Whitewater.

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 Whitewater's application for revised rates should either write to:

**The Public Utilities Board
400-330 Portage Avenue
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or, send an email to: publicutilities@gov.mb.ca on or before **July 2, 2013**.

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 accord 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 www.pub.gov.mb.ca

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