

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
REVISED WASTEWATER RATES
MUNICIPALITY OF LOUISE, CRYSTAL CITY WASTEWATER UTILITY
July 14, 2016**

The Municipality of Louise (Municipality) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised wastewater rates for the Crystal City Wastewater Utility as set out in By-law No. 2016-5 read the first time on May 25, 2016. Rates were last approved in 2003 in Board Order No. 53/03 with By-law No. 2-2003.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

Semi-Annual Rates	Current By-law (2-2003)	Proposed By-law (2016-5) Jan 1, 2017	Inc/Dec	Proposed By-law (2016-5) Jan 1, 2018	Inc/Dec	Proposed By-law (2016-5) Jan 1, 2019	Inc/Dec
Wastewater \$ per REU*	\$39.06	\$40.63	4%	\$42.20	4%	\$43.78	4%
Semi-Annual Service Charge	\$6.15	\$7.30	19%	\$8.44	16%	\$9.59	14%
Semi-Annual Invoice	\$45.21	\$47.93	6%	\$50.64	6%	\$53.37	5%
Reconnection Fee	\$0.00	\$100.00	New	\$100.00	0%	\$100.00	0%
NSF Charge	\$0.00	\$25.00	New	\$25.00	0%	\$25.00	0%

*REU - Residential Equivalency Unit

2017

Units	Customer	Service Charge	Commodity Rates	Semi-Annual Invoice
1	Single family residence (res); Churches; rinks; hall; small commercial	\$7.30	\$40.63	\$47.93
1.5	Medical Clinic with 1 suite	\$7.30	\$60.95	\$68.25
2	Garage with wash rack; business & res; duplex with two res; two businesses	\$7.30	\$81.26	\$88.56
4	Restaurant, 1 unit per 20 seats; 4 plex, 1 unit each	\$7.30	\$162.52	\$169.82
6	Early Years School, 6 classrooms @ 1.0 units	\$7.30	\$243.78	\$251.08
11	Middle Years School, 8 rooms @1.0 units, 6 showerheads @ .5 units	\$7.30	\$446.93	\$454.23
12.5	Senior Citizen Home, 9 Double @ 1.0 units, 7 Single @ .5 units	\$7.30	\$507.88	\$515.18
16	Hospital, 16 beds, 1 unit per bed	\$7.30	\$650.08	\$657.38

2018

1	Single family residence (res); Churches; rinks; hall; small commercial	\$8.44	\$42.20	\$50.64
1.5	Medical Clinic with 1 suite	\$8.44	\$63.30	\$71.74
2	Garage with wash rack; business & res; duplex with two res; two businesses	\$8.44	\$84.40	\$92.84
4	Restaurant, 1 unit per 20 seats; 4 plex, 1 unit each	\$8.44	\$168.80	\$177.24
6	Early Years School, 6 classrooms @ 1.0 units	\$8.44	\$253.20	\$261.64
11	Middle Years School, 8 rooms @1.0 units, 6 showerheads @ .5 units	\$8.44	\$464.20	\$472.64
12.5	Senior Citizen Home, 9 Double @ 1.0 units, 7 Single @ .5 units	\$8.44	\$527.50	\$535.94
16	Hospital, 16 beds, 1 unit per bed	\$8.44	\$675.20	\$683.64

2019

Units	Customer	Service Charge	Commodity Rates	Semi-Annual Invoice
1	Single family residence (res); Churches; rinks; hall; small commercial	\$9.59	\$43.78	\$53.37
1.5	Medical Clinic with 1 suite	\$9.59	\$65.67	\$75.26
2	Garage with wash rack; business & res; duplex with two res; two businesses	\$9.59	\$87.56	\$97.15
4	Restaurant, 1 unit per 20 seats; 4 plex, 1 unit each	\$9.59	\$175.12	\$184.71
6	Early Years School, 6 classrooms @ 1.0 units	\$9.59	\$262.68	\$272.27
11	Middle Years School, 8 rooms @ 1.0 units, 6 showerheads @ .5 units	\$9.59	\$481.58	\$491.17
12.5	Senior Citizen Home, 9 Double @ 1.0 units, 7 Single @ .5 units	\$9.59	\$547.25	\$556.84
16	Hospital, 16 beds, 1 unit per bed	\$9.59	\$700.48	\$710.07

By-law No. 2016-5 includes new or revised clauses:

2. Billings and Penalties
3. NSF Charge
4. Disconnection
5. Reconnection
6. Service to Customers Outside Crystal City Limits
8. Conditions of Disrepair

Details of the Municipality's application are available for review at the Municipality of Louise'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 Municipality of Louise.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for municipal water and wastewater 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 Municipality of Louise's application for revised rates should either write to:

The Public Utilities Board
400-330 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0C4

or, send an email to: publicutilities@gov.mb.ca on or before **September 9, 2016**

The Manitoba Ombudsman has recently issued privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The PUB is mindful of its obligations under those guidelines. Its decisions in respect of the application being considered will be sensitive to the guidelines. Personal information will not be disclosed unless it is appropriate and necessary to do so. However, the PUB advises participants that these proceedings are public and that as a result, personal information protections are reduced.

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 www.pub.gov.mb.ca

"Original Signed By"

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