

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
 FOR REVISED RATES**
 By the RM of Victoria-
 Holland Water and Sewer Utility

June 21, 2012

The Rural Municipality of Victoria (RM) has applied to The Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised rates for the water and sewer services for 2012, 2013 and 2014 as set out in By-law No. 1343/2012 read the first time on February 27, 2012. Rates were last amended in Bylaw 1292/07 which included rates up until 2010. The proposed rate increases were requested to be effective July 1 in each of the years proposed.

The current and proposed rates are noted below:

	Current	Proposed 2012	Increase/Decrease	Proposed 2013	Increase/Decrease	Proposed 2014	Increase/Decrease
Water \$/1,000 gallons	\$9.30	\$10.60	14%	\$12.71	20%	\$15.18	19%
Sewer \$/1,000 gallons	\$3.30	\$3.23	-2%	\$3.17	-2%	\$3.01	-5%
Quarterly Service Charge	\$5.40	\$6.43	19%	\$7.65	19%	\$9.00	18%
Minimum Quarterly*	\$43.20	\$47.93	11%	\$55.29	15%	\$63.57	15%
Sewer Only Quarterly**	\$31.80	\$32.27	1%	\$33.01	2%	\$33.08	0%
Water Only Quarterly*	\$33.30	\$38.23	15%	\$45.79	20%	\$54.54	19%
Bulk Water \$/1,000 gallons	\$14.80	\$14.80	0%	\$15.26	3%	\$18.18	19%
Reconnection fee	\$30.00	\$30.00	0%	\$30.00	0%	\$30.00	0%
Hydrant Rental Charge	\$250.00	\$250.00	0%	\$250.00	0%	\$250.00	0%

*Based on 3,000 gallons

** Based on 8,000 gallons

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.

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
- 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 Holland Utility application for revised rates should 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 **July 27, 2012**.

The Board will then decide whether any further notice and/or an oral hearing is necessary. 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 MUNICIPALITY.

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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