



**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
REVISED WATER and WASTEWATER RATES
TOWN OF NEEPAWA UTILITY**

November 16, 2015

The Town of Neepawa (Town) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates for the Town of Neepawa utility (Utility) as set out in By-law No. 3145 read the first time on October 20, 2015. Rates were last approved in 2008 in Board Order No. 158/08.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

Commodity Rate \$/cubic meter (m ³)	Current 2014 By-law No 3058	Proposed changes from 4-step to 2-step rates	Proposed By-law 3145 Jan 1, 2016	Increase/ Decrease	Proposed By-law 3145 Jan 1, 2017	Increase/ Decrease	Proposed By-law 3145 Jan 1, 2018	Increase/ Decrease
Water								
First 150 m ³ /Qtr	\$1.90	First 450 m ³ /Qtr	\$2.32	22%	\$2.34	1%	\$2.36	1%
Next 1350 m ³ /Qtr	\$1.73	Over 450 m ³ /Qtr	\$1.26	-27%	\$1.29	2%	\$1.32	2%
Next 1500 m ³ /Qtr	\$1.63							
Over 3000 m ³ /Qtr	\$1.10							
Wastewater								
First 150 m ³ /Qtr	\$0.48	First 450 m ³ /Qtr	\$1.20	150%	\$1.31	9%	\$1.40	7%
Next 1350 m ³ /Qtr	\$0.48	Over 450 m ³ /Qtr	\$1.20	150%	\$1.31	9%	\$1.40	7%
Next 1500 m ³ /Qtr	\$0.30							
Over 3000 m ³ /Qtr	\$0.30							
Quarterly Service Charge	\$15.00		\$18.75	25%	\$19.25	3%	\$19.75	3%
Minimum Quarterly Based on 14 m ³	\$48.22	Minimum Quarterly /14 m ³	\$68.03	41%	\$70.35	3%	\$72.39	3%
Bulk Water-per m ³	\$2.90		\$2.65	-9%	\$2.69	2%	\$2.72	1%
Disconnection - Reconnection	\$30.00		\$50.00	67%	\$50.00	0%	\$50.00	0%
Hydrant Rental Charge	\$250.00		\$250.00	0%	\$250.00	0%	\$250.00	0%

* WATER ONLY CUSTOMERS Under all sections of the above referred to in clauses 1 and 2, a consumer having only water service shall pay a minimum charge made up of the service charge plus the water commodity charge.

** SEWER ONLY CUSTOMERS Users of Town sewage who discharge water and wastewater into the Town's sewage system, and who obtain their water supply from other than the Town of Neepawa, are required to meter their water supply at their own expense and shall be billed for sewage on the water meter reading at rates set forth in above plus the quarterly service charge as per clause 2. The minimum billing shall be based on 14 cubic meters per quarter plus the service charge.

Minimum Quarterly Charges
2016

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Minimum Quarterly Consumption	Customer Service Charge	Water	Sewer	Minimum Quarterly Charges
5/8"	1	14	\$18.75	\$32.48	\$16.80	\$68.03
3/4"	2	27	\$18.75	\$62.64	\$32.40	\$113.79
1"	4	55	\$18.75	\$127.60	\$66.00	\$212.35
1 1/2"	10	140	\$18.75	\$324.80	\$168.00	\$511.55
2"	25	341	\$18.75	\$791.12	\$409.20	\$1,219.07
3"	45	614	\$18.75	\$1,250.64	\$736.80	\$2,006.19
4"	90	1,227	\$18.75	\$2,023.02	\$1,472.40	\$3,514.17
6"	170	2,319	\$18.75	\$3,398.94	\$2,782.80	\$6,200.49

2017

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Minimum Quarterly Consumption	Customer Service Charge	Water	Sewer	Minimum Quarterly Charges
5/8"	1	14	\$19.25	\$32.76	\$18.34	\$70.35
3/4"	2	27	\$19.25	\$63.18	\$35.37	\$117.80
1"	4	55	\$19.25	\$128.70	\$72.05	\$220.00
1 1/2"	10	140	\$19.25	\$327.60	\$183.40	\$530.25
2"	25	341	\$19.25	\$797.94	\$446.71	\$1,263.90
3"	45	614	\$19.25	\$1,264.56	\$804.34	\$2,088.15
4"	90	1,227	\$19.25	\$2,055.33	\$1,607.37	\$3,681.95
6"	170	2,319	\$19.25	\$3,464.01	\$3,037.89	\$6,521.15

2018

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Minimum Quarterly Consumption	Customer Service Charge	Water	Sewer	Minimum Quarterly Charges
5/8"	1	14	\$19.75	\$33.04	\$19.60	\$72.39
3/4"	2	27	\$19.75	\$63.72	\$37.80	\$121.27
1"	4	55	\$19.75	\$129.80	\$77.00	\$226.55
1 1/2"	10	140	\$19.75	\$330.40	\$196.00	\$546.15
2"	25	341	\$19.75	\$804.76	\$477.40	\$1,301.91
3"	45	614	\$19.75	\$1,278.48	\$859.60	\$2,157.83
4"	90	1,227	\$19.75	\$2,087.64	\$1,717.80	\$3,825.19
6"	170	2,319	\$19.75	\$3,529.08	\$3,246.60	\$6,795.43

Details of the Town's application are available for review at the Town of Neepawa'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 Town.

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.

Lagoon Tipping Fees

Fees for Within the Boundaries of the Town of Neepawa							
	Current By-law No. 3058			Proposed for January 1, 2016 By-law No. 3145			
	Residential	Commercial		Residential	Commercial		
Yearly	\$54.75	\$219.00		Yearly	\$60	\$240	
Per Use Fee	\$10.95	\$43.80		Per Use Fee	\$12	\$48	
Outside the Town of Neepawa Boundaries							
	Residential	Commercial		Residential	Commercial		
Yearly	\$136.88	\$547.50		Yearly	\$150	\$600	
Per Use Fee	\$27.38	\$109.50		Per Use Fee	\$30	\$120	
Potential Additional Commercial Classes							
	Resident	Non-Resident		Resident	Non-Resident		
	Annual	Annual	Per Use	Annual	Annual	Per Use	
Fees shall not be < than:	\$54.75	\$137.26	\$54.90	Fees shall not be < than:	\$60	\$150	\$60
Fees shall not be > than:	\$439.21	\$823.53	\$219.61	Fees shall not be > than:	\$480	\$900	\$240

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 Town of Neepawa'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 **December 18, 2015**

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

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