

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION REVISED WATER and SEWER RATES CITY OF SELKIRK

August 26, 2013

The City of Selkirk (City) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised rates for the water and sewer Utility for 2014, 2015 and 2016 as set out in By-law No. 5252 read the first time on July 29, 2013.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

|   | Current  | 2014     | Increase/<br>Decrease | 2015     | Increase/<br>Decrease | 2016     | Increase/<br>Decrease |
|---|----------|----------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Quarterly Service Charge                | \$26.50  | \$24.77  | -6.53%                | \$23.04  | -6.98%                | \$21.31  | -7.51%                |
| Water \$/per cubic meter*               | \$1.61   | \$1.80   | 11.80%                | \$1.80   | 0.00%                 | \$1.80   | 0.00%                 |
| Sewer \$/per cubic meter                | \$0.96   | \$1.07   | 11.46%                | \$1.36   | 27.10%                | \$1.66   | 22.06%                |
| Minimum Quarterly-<br>Water and Sewer** | \$61.60  | \$64.95  | 5.44%                 | \$67.28  | 3.59%                 | \$69.75  | 3.67%                 |
| Minimum Quarterly-<br>Water Only**      | \$48.49  | \$49.97  | 3.05%                 | \$48.24  | -3.46%                | \$46.51  | -3.59%                |
| Minimum Quarterly-<br>Sewer Only**      | \$39.61  | \$39.75  | -0.48%                | \$42.08  | 5.86%                 | \$44.55  | 5.87%                 |
| Bulk Water ***<br>\$/per cubic meter    | \$1.76   | \$2.60   | 47.73%                | \$2.60   | 0.00%                 | \$2.60   | 0.00%                 |
| Reconnection Fee                        | \$25.00  | \$25.00  | 0.00%                 | \$25.00  | 0.00%                 | \$25.00  | 0.00%                 |
| Hydrant Rental (Annual)                 | \$110.00 | \$110.00 | 0.00%                 | \$110.00 | 0.00%                 | \$110.00 | 0.00%                 |

\* Current rates include water commodity at \$1.49/m<sup>3</sup> for quarterly volumes in excess

of 450,000 gallons (Approx. 10,000 m<sup>3</sup>)

\*\* Based on 14 m<sup>3</sup>

\*\*\* Minimum Charge for any quantity will be \$20.00 (current minimum is \$15.00)

| Sewage Receiving Rates: | Current   | Proposed                      |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Administrative Fee      | \$26.50 per quarterly billing                                       | \$21.31 per quarterly billing |
| Volume dumping          | $21.12/(1,000 \text{ gallons}=4.54\text{m}^3)=4.65 \text{ per m}^3$ | \$8.02 per m <sup>3</sup>     |
| B.O.D. Surcharge        | \$0.51 per kilogram   | \$0.51 per kilogram           |
| S.S. Surcharge          | \$0.25 per kilogram   | \$0.25 per kilogram           |
| Untested Dumping        | $36.44/1,000 \text{ gallons} = 8.01 \text{ per m}^3$                | \$13.84 per m <sup>3</sup>    |

## Minimum Quarterly Charges for 2014

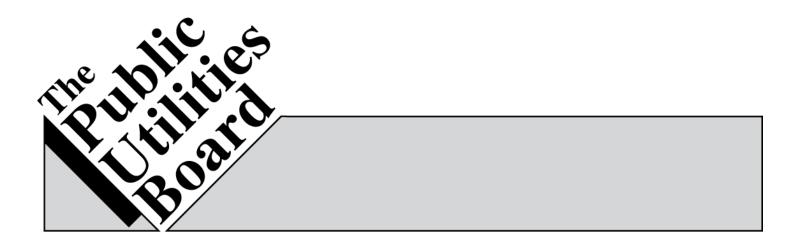
| Meter<br>Size | Group<br>Capacity<br>Ratio | Minimum<br>Quarterly<br>Consumption | Customer<br>Service<br>Charge | Water      | Sewer      | Quarterly<br>Minimum Charge<br>(Water & Sewer) | Quarterly<br>Minimum<br>Charge<br>(Water Only) | Quarterly<br>Minimum<br>Charge<br>(Sewer Only) |
|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|--|--|--|
| 5/8"          | 1                          | 14                                  | \$24.77                       | \$25.20    | \$14.98    | \$64.95  | \$49.97  | \$39.75  |
| 3/4"          | 2                          | 28                                  | \$24.77                       | \$50.40    | \$29.96    | \$105.13                                       | \$75.17  | \$54.73  |
| 1"            | 4                          | 56                                  | \$24.77                       | \$100.80   | \$59.92    | \$185.49                                       | \$125.57                                       | \$84.69  |
| 1 1/2"        | 10                         | 140                                 | \$24.77                       | \$252.00   | \$149.80   | \$426.57                                       | \$276.77                                       | \$174.57                                       |
| 2"            | 25                         | 350                                 | \$24.77                       | \$630.00   | \$374.50   | \$1,029.27                                     | \$654.77                                       | \$399.27                                       |
| 3"            | 45                         | 630                                 | \$24.77                       | \$1,134.00 | \$674.10   | \$1,832.87                                     | \$1,158.77                                     | \$698.87                                       |
| 4"            | 90                         | 1,260                               | \$24.77                       | \$2,268.00 | \$1,348.20 | \$3,640.97                                     | \$2,292.77                                     | \$1,372.97                                     |
| 6"            | 170                        | 2,380                               | \$24.77                       | \$4,284.00 | \$2,546.60 | \$6,855.37                                     | \$4,308.77                                     | \$2,571.37                                     |

### Minimum Quarterly Charges for 2015

| Meter<br>Size | Group<br>Capacity<br>Ratio | Minimum<br>Quarterly<br>Consumption | Customer<br>Service<br>Charge | Water      | Sewer      | Quarterly<br>Minimum Charge<br>(Water & Sewer) | Quarterly<br>Minimum<br>Charge<br>(Water Only) | Quarterly<br>Minimum<br>Charge<br>(Sewer Only) |
|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|--|--|--|
| 5/8"          | 1                          | 14                                  | \$23.04                       | \$25.20    | \$19.04    | \$67.28  | \$48.24  | \$42.08  |
| 3/4"          | 2                          | 28                                  | \$23.04                       | \$50.40    | \$38.08    | \$111.52                                       | \$73.44  | \$61.12  |
| 1"            | 4                          | 56                                  | \$23.04                       | \$100.80   | \$76.16    | \$200.00                                       | \$123.84                                       | \$99.20  |
| 1 1/2"        | 10                         | 140                                 | \$23.04                       | \$252.00   | \$190.40   | \$465.44                                       | \$275.04                                       | \$213.44                                       |
| 2"            | 25                         | 350                                 | \$23.04                       | \$630.00   | \$476.00   | \$1,129.04                                     | \$653.04                                       | \$499.04                                       |
| 3"            | 45                         | 630                                 | \$23.04                       | \$1,134.00 | \$856.80   | \$2,013.84                                     | \$1,157.04                                     | \$879.84                                       |
| 4"            | 90                         | 1,260                               | \$23.04                       | \$2,268.00 | \$1,713.60 | \$4,004.64                                     | \$2,291.04                                     | \$1,736.64                                     |
| 6"            | 170                        | 2,380                               | \$23.04                       | \$4,284.00 | \$3,236.80 | \$7,543.84                                     | \$4,307.04                                     | \$3,259.84                                     |

### Minimum Quarterly Charges for 2016

| Meter<br>Size | Group<br>Capacity<br>Ratio | Minimum<br>Quarterly<br>Consumption | Customer<br>Service<br>Charge | Water      | Sewer      | Quarterly<br>Minimum Charge<br>(Water & Sewer) | Quarterly<br>Minimum<br>Charge<br>(Water Only) | Quarterly<br>Minimum<br>Charge<br>(Sewer Only) |
|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|--|--|--|
| 5/8"          | 1                          | 14                                  | \$21.31                       | \$25.20    | \$23.24    | \$69.75  | \$46.51  | \$44.55  |
| 3/4"          | 2                          | 28                                  | \$21.31                       | \$50.40    | \$46.48    | \$118.19                                       | \$71.71  | \$67.79  |
| 1"            | 4                          | 56                                  | \$21.31                       | \$100.80   | \$92.96    | \$215.07                                       | \$122.11                                       | \$114.27                                       |
| 1 1/2"        | 10                         | 140                                 | \$21.31                       | \$252.00   | \$232.40   | \$505.71                                       | \$273.31                                       | \$253.71                                       |
| 2"            | 25                         | 350                                 | \$21.31                       | \$630.00   | \$581.00   | \$1,232.31                                     | \$651.31                                       | \$602.31                                       |
| 3"            | 45                         | 630                                 | \$21.31                       | \$1,134.00 | \$1,045.80 | \$2,201.11                                     | \$1,155.31                                     | \$1,067.11                                     |
| 4"            | 90                         | 1,260                               | \$21.31                       | \$2,268.00 | \$2,091.60 | \$4,380.91                                     | \$2,289.31                                     | \$2,112.91                                     |
| 6"            | 170                        | 2,380                               | \$21.31                       | \$4,284.00 | \$3,950.80 | \$8,256.11                                     | \$4,305.31                                     | \$3,972.11                                     |



Details of the City's application are available for review at the City of Selkirk'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 City of Selkirk.

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 City of Selkirk'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 20, 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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