



News Release

July 20, 2010

In Order No. 77/10 dated July 20, 2010 the Public Utilities Board (Board) approved an application by the Town of Rossburn (Town) for water and sewer rates. The existing and revised rates are as follows:

\$/1,000 gallons	Existing	Revised	Increase
Water Rate 1st 100K gallons	\$ 7.40	\$ 12.20	65%
Over 100,000 gallons	\$ 5.70	\$ 12.20	114%
Sewer	\$ 1.25	\$ 2.90	132%
Service Charge	\$ 14.75	\$ 34.50	134%
Bulk Water	\$ 9.00 (min. \$4.50)	\$ 13.00 (min. \$6.50)	44%
Minimum Quarterly ⁽¹⁾	\$ 40.70	\$ 79.80	96%
Average Quarterly Bill ⁽²⁾	\$ 68.63	\$128.56	87%
Disconnection/Reconnection	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	0
Hydrants	\$100.00	\$150.00	50%

Notes: ⁽¹⁾Includes 3,000 gallons for a 5/8" meter

⁽²⁾Based on 6,230 gallons consumption

The Board recognizes the rate increases are significant but notes that many changes have occurred since the rates were previously revised in 1998.

The Board also approved recovery of the 2009 operating deficit (estimated at \$33,979) from the utility accumulated surplus, as well as a 2010 budgeted deficit for the utility estimated at \$43,432, however withholds its decision on recovery, pending the year-end operating results.

The Order can be viewed in its entirety on the Board's website: www.pub.gov.mb.ca.

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