

Order No. 88/22

#### ORDER RESPECTING THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ELTON REVIEW AND VARY BOARD ORDER NO. 53/22 UTILITY NAME CHANGE

August 9, 2022

BEFORE: Marilyn Kapitany, B.Sc. (Hon), M. Sc., Panel Chair Mike Watson, Member





## 1.0 Executive Summary

By this Order, the Public Utilities Board (Board) approves the request by the Rural Municipality of Elton (RM) to vary the name of utility in the RM of Elton to Elton Water and Wastewater Utility from Forrest Water and Wastewater Utility effective immediately. Reasons for the Board's decision are in Board Findings.

### 2.0 Background

This Board Order is best read in conjunction with Board Order No. 53/22.

In Board Order No. 53/22, issued May 13, 2022, the Board approved revised water and wastewater rates for the Forrest Water and Wastewater Utility.

On July 14, 2022, the RM submitted Council Resolution No. 2022-172 requesting the Board review and vary Board Order No. 53/22 to change the name of the Forrest Water and Wastewater Utility to Elton Water and Wastewater Utility.

The RM indicated the request to avoid confusion amongst utility water customers who are not in the Village of Forrest.

#### 3.0 Board Findings

The Public Utilities Board Act grants the authority to vary any order at any time, and the Board has determined it is appropriate to exercise that authority in this instance. As requested by the RM of Elton, the Board will change the name of the utility from Forrest Water and Wastewater Utility to Elton Water and Wastewater Utility. The Board accepts the rationale that the name change will avoid confusion for connected customers outside the Village of Forrest.

The Board recommends the RM advise its auditors of the change and going forward change the name of the utility on its audited financial statements.





# 4.0 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The name of the Rural Municipality of Elton's Forrest Water and Wastewater Utility BE AND IS HEREBY VARIED to Elton Water and Wastewater Utility.

Fees payable upon this Order – waived at the discretion of the Board

Board decisions may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of Section 58 of *The Public Utilities Board Act*, or reviewed in accordance with Section 36 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Board's Rules may be viewed on the Board's website at <u>www.pubmanitoba.ca</u>.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

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