

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
CITY OF THOMPSON
REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES
WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY**

July 11, 2017

The City of Thompson (City) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates as set out in By-law No. 1945-2016, read the first time on October 3, 2016. Rates were last approved on an interim *ex parte* basis in December 2014 in Board Order No. 146/14.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

	Current	Proposed rate year 1	Inc/Dec	Proposed rate year 2	Inc/Dec	Proposed rate year 3	Inc/Dec
Quarterly service charge	\$ 79.35	\$ 82.58	4%	\$ 84.23	2%	\$ 91.62	9%
Water \$/cubic metre	\$ 1.46	\$ 2.14	47%	\$ 2.39	12%	\$ 2.92	22%
Wastewater \$/cubic metre	\$ 1.66	\$ 0.95	-43%	\$ 1.28	35%	\$ 1.17	-9%
Minimum quarterly - water and wastewater*	\$123.03	\$ 125.84	2%	\$ 135.61	8%	\$ 148.88	10%
Bulk water \$/cubic metre	\$ 6.00	\$ 4.65	-23%	\$ 4.90	5%	\$ 5.60	14%
Reconnection fee	\$320.00	\$ 320.00	0%	\$ 320.00	0%	\$ 320.00	0%
Hydrant rental (annual)	\$125.00	\$ 125.00	0%	\$ 125.00	0%	\$ 125.00	0%

Details of the City's application are available for review at the Municipal office or the Public Utilities Board's office. Any questions concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, should be sent directly to the City of Thompson.

If you have concerns/comments regarding the City of Thompson's application for water and wastewater rates please go to www.pubmanitoba.ca and provide your comment. *Please note all comments will be forwarded to the RM.*

Questions or comments should be sent on or before August 14, 2017.

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.

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.

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.pubmanitoba.ca

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