

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
TOWN OF STONEWALL
REVISED WATER and WASTEWATER RATES**

May 18, 2017

The Town of Stonewall (Town) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates as set out in By-law No. 03-17 read the first time on March 1, 2017. Current rates are from by-law 4/10 and have been in effect since July 1, 2010.

The current rates and proposed rates are provided:

	Current rates	Proposed Year 1	Inc/Dec	Proposed Year 2	Inc/Dec	Proposed Year 3	Inc/Dec
Water \$/cubic meter	\$0.34	\$0.87	156%	\$0.90	3%	\$0.91	1%
Wastewater \$/cubic meter	\$0.53	\$0.73	38%	\$0.79	8%	\$0.80	1%
Quarterly Service Charge	\$22.27	\$19.08	-14%	\$19.48	2%	\$22.05	13%
Recovery of 2015 operating deficit	\$0.00	\$3.56	100%	\$3.53	-1%	\$3.50	-1%
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$34.14	\$44.47	30%	\$46.07	4%	\$48.87	6%
Hydrant Rental (Annual)	\$75.00	\$150.00	100%	\$150.00	0%	\$150.00	0%
Lagoon tipping fee**	\$0.00	\$4.00	100%	\$4.00	0%	\$4.00	0%
Reconnection Fee	\$75.00	\$75.00	0%	\$75.00	0%	\$75.00	0%
		Proposed Year 4	Inc/Dec	Proposed Year 5	Inc/Dec		
Water \$/cubic meter		\$0.93	2%	\$0.95	2%		
Wastewater \$/cubic meter		\$0.81	1%	\$0.83	2%		
Quarterly Service Charge		\$22.50	2%	\$22.95	2%		
Recovery of 2015 operating deficit		\$0.00	-100%	\$0.00	0%		
Minimum Quarterly Charge*		\$46.25	-5%	\$47.24	2%		
Hydrant Rental (Annual)		\$150.00	0%	\$150.00	0%		
Lagoon tipping fee**		\$4.00	0%	\$4.00	0%		
Reconnection Fee		\$75.00	0%	\$75.00	0%		

*Based on 13.64m³ and includes recovery of 2015 operating deficit

**By-law 01-17; charged per load based on the size of vehicle registered. \$75 initial access fee per truck and \$25 annual licence fee per truck

Details of the Town's application are available for review at the Town office or the Public Utilities Board's office.

If you have any **questions** concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, please address them to the Town, and copy the Public Utilities Board.

If you have **concerns/comments** regarding the application for revised rates please address them to the Public Utilities Board, and copy the Town.

***NB all responses not copied will be automatically forwarded for review*

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Questions or comments should be sent on or before June 29, 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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