

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GREY
REVISED WATER & WASTEWATER RATES
AMALGAMATION OF UTILITIES**

June 1, 2018

The Rural Municipality of Grey (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board or PUB) to approve the amalgamation of the Grey Regional Water Utility, Elm Creek Wastewater System, Haywood Wastewater System and Fannystelle Wastewater System that it operates into the Grey Regional Water and Wastewater Utility (Utility). The RM is also applying for revised water and wastewater rates as set out in By-law No. 14-2017 read for the first time on December 20, 2017. Rates for the utilities were last set in 2015 in PUB Order 92/15. Rates have since been revised only for pass through rates approved for the Pembina Valley Water Coop, from whom the Utility purchases 50% of its treated water.

The current rates and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates (By-law 14-2017)		
	By-Law 04-2014	2018	2019	2020
Quarterly service charge	\$ 28.15	\$ 28.15	\$ 28.77	\$ 29.49
Water per 1,000 gallons	\$ 11.66	\$ 16.55	\$ 15.82	\$ 16.15
Wastewater per 1,000 gallons				
Elm Creek wastewater service	\$ 3.25	\$ 5.31	\$ 5.25	\$ 5.20
Fannystelle wastewater service	\$ 4.60	\$ 5.31	\$ 5.25	\$ 5.20
Haywood wastewater service	\$ 3.70	\$ 5.31	\$ 5.25	\$ 5.20
Minimum quarterly charge*				
Elm Creek wastewater service	\$ 72.88	\$ 93.73	\$ 91.98	\$ 93.54
Fannystelle wastewater service	\$ 76.93	\$ 93.73	\$ 91.98	\$ 93.54
Haywood wastewater service	\$ 74.23	\$ 93.73	\$ 91.98	\$ 93.54
Minimum quarterly charge - Water only customers*	\$ 63.13	\$ 77.80	\$ 76.23	\$ 77.94
Minimum quarterly charge - wastewater only customers**				
Elm Creek wastewater service	\$ 54.15	\$ 70.63	\$ 70.77	\$ 71.09
Fannystelle wastewater service	\$ 64.95	\$ 70.63	\$ 70.77	\$ 71.09
Haywood wastewater service	\$ 57.75	\$ 70.63	\$ 70.77	\$ 71.09
Hydrant rental	\$ 100.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00

*Based on 3,000 gallons

**Based on 8,000 gallons

The following clauses were added or revised in By-law No. 14-2017. Please review the proposed By-law at the RM's office for detailed information:

- 5. Non-payment of Account
- 7. Hydrant Rentals

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

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Rural Municipality of Grey'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 **June 30, 2018**.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for water and wastewater utilities in Manitoba, with the exception of the City of Winnipeg. 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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