

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI  
AMALGAMATION OF GIMLI URBAN CENTRE, GIMLI INDUSTRIAL PARK AND  
PELICAN BEACH WATER SYSTEMS  
REVISED WATER RATES**

October 31, 2019

The Rural Municipality of Gimli (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) to approve the amalgamation of the Gimli Urban Centre, Gimli Industrial Park and Pelican Beach Water Systems to become the Amalgamated Water Utility (Utility). The RM has also applied for revised water rates, as set out in By-law No. 19-0009, read the first time on September 11, 2019. Utility rates were last approved in 2016 in Board Order No. 104/16.

The current rates and proposed rates are as follows:

|                                      | Gimli Urban Centre | Gimli Industrial Park | Pelican Beach | Amalgamated Water Utility |           |           |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|                                      | Current rates      |                       |               | Proposed Rates            |           |           |
|                                      | By-Law No. 18-0029 |                       |               | Year 1                    | Year 2    | Year 3    |
| Quarterly Service Charge             | \$ 25.07           | \$ 16.09              | \$ 22.34      | \$ 22.53                  | \$ 23.20  | \$ 23.90  |
| Water (per cubic meter)              | \$ 1.29            | \$ 1.85               | \$ 1.60       | \$ 1.51                   | \$ 1.54   | \$ 1.58   |
| Minimum Quarterly Charge*            | \$ 42.49           | \$ 41.07              | \$ 43.94      | \$ 42.92                  | \$ 43.99  | \$ 45.23  |
| Flat Rate per REU**                  |                    | \$ 121.75             | \$ 86.56      | \$ 81.92                  | \$ 83.55  | \$ 85.72  |
| Minimum Quarterly Charge - Flat Rate |                    | \$ 137.84             | \$ 108.90     | \$ 104.45                 | \$ 106.75 | \$ 109.62 |
| Bulk Water (per cubic meter)         | \$ 2.15            | \$ 2.07               | \$ 2.64       | \$ 2.34                   | \$ 2.38   | \$ 2.42   |
| Bulk Water (per 1,000 gallons)       | \$ 9.79            | \$ 9.42               | \$ 12.02      | \$ 10.67                  | \$ 10.86  | \$ 11.04  |

\*Based on 13.5 cubic meters

\*\*One Residential Equivalency Unit (REU) based on 217 cubic meters per year (proposed rates)

**Clauses were added or revised in By-Law No. 19-0009. Please review the proposed By-Law at the Municipal office for detailed information.**

Details of the RM'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 RM.

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Rural Municipality of Gimli's application for water rates please go to [www.pubmanitoba.ca](http://www.pubmanitoba.ca) and provide your comment. *Please note all comments will be forwarded to the Municipality.*

Questions or comments should be sent on or before **November 30, 2019**.

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,
- a 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 an Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to be charged.

The Manitoba Ombudsman has privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The Board 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 Board 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](http://www.pubmanitoba.ca).

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