

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSBURN
ROSSBURN WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY
REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES**

May 12, 2020

The Municipality of Rossburn (Municipality) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) to approve revised water and wastewater rates, as set out in By-law No. 2020-004, read the first time on February 11, 2020. The Rossburn Utility rates were last approved in 2010 in Board Order No. 77/10.

The current rates and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates				
	By-Law No. #2009-972	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 34.50	\$ 27.93	\$ 24.64	\$ 21.35	\$ 21.99	\$ 22.65
Water (per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 12.20	\$ 18.99	\$ 22.39	\$ 25.78	\$ 26.55	\$ 27.35
Wastewater (per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 2.90	\$ 4.53	\$ 5.34	\$ 6.15	\$ 6.33	\$ 6.52
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$ 79.80	\$ 98.49	\$ 107.83	\$ 117.14	\$ 120.63	\$ 124.26
Debenture recovery surcharge (per 1,000 gallons)**	\$ 5.18	\$ 5.18	\$ 5.18	\$ 5.18	\$ 5.18	\$ 5.18
Lagoon Tipping Fee (per 1,500 gallons)***	\$ 15.00	\$ 21.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 34.00
Bulk Water (per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 13.00	\$ 26.85	\$ 30.30	\$ 33.80	\$ 34.80	\$ 35.85
Minimum Bulk Water (500 gallons or less)	\$ 6.50	\$ 13.45	\$ 15.15	\$ 16.90	\$ 17.40	\$ 17.95
Disconnection / Reconnection	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00

*Based on 3,000 gallons

**Board Order 195/19 approved a debenture recovery surcharge of \$5.18/1,000 gallons between July 1, 2020 and December 31, 2039. This was for the construction of the water pipeline to connect to the Russell Regional Water Treatment Plant.

***Current Lagoon Tipping Fee rate not approved by the Public Utilities Board

Clauses were added or revised in By-Law No. 2020-004. Please review the proposed By-Law at the Municipality's office for detailed information.

Details of the Municipality'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 Municipality.

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Municipality of Rossburn'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 Municipality.*

Questions or comments should be sent on or before **June 11, 2020.**

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.



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