

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSBURN  
SUNSET POINT WATER UTILITY  
UTILITY OPERATING DEFICIT RECOVERY**

March 19, 2021

The Municipality of Rosburn (Municipality) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) to approve operating deficits of \$21,815 in 2013, \$17,441 in 2014, \$14,529 in 2015, \$19,162 in 2016, \$6,543 in 2017, \$40,930 in 2018 and \$34,559 in 2019 for the Sunset Point Water Utility (Utility). There is an anticipated surplus of \$4,681.64 in 2020 leaving a total deficit of \$150,297.

The Municipality's proposed recovery method is as follows:

- \$92,172 from Utility customers through an annual charge of \$236.33 per customer over a 15 year period
- Transfer of \$58,125 from the General Operating Fund (General)
  - \$45,000 from General consists of future revenue from the speculative sale of a lot developed at Sunset Point and owned by the Municipality. The Municipality has not sold this lot, but intends to do so in the future and \$45,000 of that revenue is to be used for deficit recovery.
  - \$13,125 from General is money from reserves that were contributed as part of the development agreement for the Sunset subdivision).

Details of the Municipality's application are available for review at the Municipal office or the Board's office. Any questions concerning the applications or the operation of the Utility, should be sent directly to the Municipality.

An application for revised water rates for the Sunset Point Water Utility (Utility) as set out in By-Law No. 2020-005, read the first time on March 3, 2020 is also before the Board. Interim rates have been approved in Board Order 131-20. The rate application has previously been advertised in a Notice of Application.

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Municipality's application 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 **April 20, 2021**.

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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