

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
TOWN OF SNOW LAKE  
REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES  
SNOW LAKE WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY**

November 3, 2023

The Town of Snow Lake (Town) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates for the Snow Lake Water and Wastewater Utility (Utility) as set out in By-Law No. 944-23, read the first time on June 13, 2023. Rates were last approved in 2019 in Board Order No. 164/19, with current rates coming into effect January 1, 2021. Deficit recovery rate riders were approved in July 2021 in Board Order No. 82/21. The Town also has a deficit application before the Board to recover the remaining Working Capital Deficit.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates			
		By-Law 994-23 Year 1	By-Law 994-23 Year 2	By-Law 994-23 Year 3	By-Law 994-23 Year 4
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 12.88	\$ 13.85	\$ 14.25	\$ 14.60	\$ 15.00
Water (per cubic meter)	\$ 2.30	\$ 3.70	\$ 3.70	\$ 3.70	\$ 4.28
Wastewater (per cubic meter)	\$ 4.12	\$ 4.60	\$ 4.60	\$ 4.60	\$ 4.60
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$ 102.76	\$ 130.05	\$ 130.45	\$ 130.80	\$ 139.32
Unmetered customers**	\$ 879.58	\$ 1,134.35	\$ 1,134.75	\$ 1,135.10	\$ 1,213.80
Bulk Water Sales(per cubic meter)	\$ 4.45	\$ 6.10	\$ 6.10	\$ 6.10	\$ 6.10
Tipping Fees (per cubic meter)	\$ 5.56	\$ 7.20	\$ 7.20	\$ 7.20	\$ 7.20
<b>Deficit Recovery - Rate Riders</b>					
Working Capital Deficit <sup>1</sup>	\$ 1.34	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.25
Operating Deficits (2012, 2017 & 2018) <sup>2</sup>	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.81
2019 Operating Deficit <sup>3</sup>	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.53

\*Based on 14 cubic meters

\*\*Based on 135 cubic meters

<sup>1</sup> Working Capital Deficit rate rider collected from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022

<sup>2</sup> Approved in Board Order 82/21 collected for 6 years beginning January 1, 2020

<sup>3</sup> Approved in Board Order 82/21 collected for 6 years beginning October 1, 2021

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

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

Questions or comments should be sent on or before **December 18, 2023.**

The 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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