

M A N I T O B A ) Order No. 192/02  
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT ) November 5, 2002

BEFORE: G. D. Forrest, Chairman  
M. Girouard, Member  
S. Proven, Member

**THE CITY OF PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE  
WATER AND SEWER RATES  
BY-LAW NO. 02-8157**

**WHEREAS** the City of Portage la Prairie has applied to The Public Utilities Board for approval of By-law No. 02-8157 to revise the schedule of water and sewer rates of the said City;

**AND WHEREAS** public notice was provided to all customers;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board deems it expedient to do so;

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. By-law No. 02-8157 of the City of Portage la Prairie BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY APPROVED subject to amendment on second reading to reflect the changes as set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto;
2. The water and sewer rates set forth in Schedule "A" hereto shall apply to all customers of the utility effective on all billings on and after January 1, 2003.

Fees payable upon this Order - \$10.00

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"G. D. FORREST"  
Chairman

"G. O. BARRON"  
Secretary

Certified a true copy of Order  
No. 192/02 issued by The Public  
Utilities Board

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Secretary

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BOARD ORDER NO. 192/02

THE CITY OF PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE

WATER AND SEWER RATES

BY-LAW NO. 02-8157

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I) Schedule of Quarterly Rates:

	Gallons per quarter		2003		Total
	Min	Max	Water /1,000 gal.	Sewer /1,000 gal.	Water & Sewer
Domestic		50,000	3.46	4.03	7.49
Intermediate	50,001	500,000	2.79	4.03	6.82
Wholesale	500,001	4,000,000	2.27	2.12	4.39
Variable	4,000,001		0.93	2.12	3.05
Bulk Sales			5.17		

Sewer only residential customers

For most customers, the average quarterly consumption in gallons of water used for residential customers at the domestic sewer rate plus the quarterly service charge.

Where an exception to this occurs there is a water meter installed at locations such as these and charged per quarter on measured consumption.

II) Minimum Charges per Quarter

2003

A) Water and Sewer Customers

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Water Commodity Charge	Sewer Commodity Charge	Water & Sewer Total Quarterly Minimum	Total Non-sewer Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$11.82	10.38	12.09	\$ 34.29	\$ 22.20
¾ inch	2	6,000	\$11.82	20.76	24.18	\$ 56.76	\$ 32.58
1 inch	4	12,000	\$11.82	41.52	48.36	\$ 101.70	\$ 53.34
1½ inch	10	30,000	\$11.82	103.80	120.90	\$ 236.52	\$ 115.62
2 inch	25	75,000	\$11.82	242.75	302.25	\$ 556.82	\$ 254.57
3 inch	45	135,000	\$11.82	410.15	544.05	\$ 966.02	\$ 421.97
4 inch	90	270,000	\$11.82	786.80	1,088.10	\$1,886.72	\$ 798.62
6 inch	170	510,000	\$11.82	1,451.20	2,036.20	\$3,499.22	\$1,463.02

B) Water only customers

Quarterly minimum charge is the same for each meter size as shown in table above, except that the Sewer Commodity charge is excluded.

- C) Sewer only residential customers  
 Customers using sewer service only will pay the relevant minimum charge shown in "A" above except that the water commodity charge will be omitted.

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- I) Schedule of Quarterly Rates:

	Gallons per quarter		2004		Total
	Min	Max	Water/1,000 gal	Sewer/1,000 gal	Water & Sewer
Domestic		50,000	3.57	4.16	7.73
Intermediate	50,001	500,000	2.88	4.16	7.04
Wholesale	500,001	4,000,000	2.34	2.19	4.53
Variable	4,000,001		0.96	2.19	3.15
Bulk Sales			5.34		

Sewer only residential customers

For most customers, the average quarterly consumption in gallons of water used for residential customers at the domestic sewer rate plus the quarterly service charge.

Where an exception to this occurs there is a water meter installed at locations such as these and charged per quarter on measured consumption.

II) **Minimum Charges per Quarter** 2004

A) **Water and Sewer Customers**

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Water Commodity Charge	Sewer Commodity Charge	Water & Sewer Total Quarterly Minimum	Total Non-sewer Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$12.26	10.71	12.48	\$ 35.45	\$ 22.97
¾ inch	2	6,000	\$12.26	21.42	24.96	\$ 58.64	\$ 33.68
1 inch	4	12,000	\$12.26	42.84	49.92	\$ 105.02	\$ 55.10
1½ inch	10	30,000	\$12.26	107.10	124.80	\$ 244.16	\$ 119.36
2 inch	25	75,000	\$12.26	250.50	312.00	\$ 574.76	\$ 262.76
3 inch	45	135,000	\$12.26	423.30	561.60	\$ 997.16	\$ 435.56
4 inch	90	270,000	\$12.26	812.10	1,123.20	\$1,947.56	\$ 824.36
6 inch	170	510,000	\$12.26	1,497.90	2,101.90	\$3,612.06	\$1,510.16

B) Water only customers

Quarterly minimum charge is the same for each meter size as shown in table above, except that the Sewer Commodity charge is excluded.

- C) Sewer only residential customers  
 Customers using sewer service only will pay the relevant minimum charge shown in "A" above except that the water commodity charge will be omitted.

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- I) Schedule of Quarterly Rates:

	Gallons per quarter		2005 and thereafter		Total
	Min	Max	Water/1,000 gal	Sewer/1,000 gal	Water & Sewer
Domestic		50,000	3.69	4.30	7.99
Intermediate	50,001	500,000	2.98	4.30	7.28
Wholesale	500,001	4,000,000	2.42	2.26	4.68
Variable	4,000,001		0.99	2.26	3.25
Bulk Sales			5.52		

Sewer only residential customers

For most customers, the average quarterly consumption in gallons of water used for residential customers at the domestic sewer rate plus the quarterly service charge.

Where an exception to this occurs there is a water meter installed at locations such as these and charged per quarter on measured consumption.

**Minimum Charges per Quarter**

**2005 and thereafter**

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Water Commodity Charge	Sewer Commodity Charge	Water & Sewer	Total
						Total Quarterly Minimum	Non-sewer Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$12.71	11.07	12.90	\$ 36.68	\$ 23.78
¾ inch	2	6,000	\$12.71	22.14	25.80	\$ 60.65	\$ 34.85
1 inch	4	12,000	\$12.71	44.28	51.60	\$ 108.59	\$ 56.99
1½ inch	10	30,000	\$12.71	110.70	129.00	\$ 252.41	\$ 123.41
2 inch	25	75,000	\$12.71	259.00	322.50	\$ 594.21	\$ 271.71
3 inch	45	135,000	\$12.71	437.80	580.50	\$1,031.01	\$ 450.51
4 inch	90	270,000	\$12.71	840.10	1,161.00	\$2,013.81	\$ 852.81
6 inch	170	510,000	\$12.71	1,549.70	2,172.60	\$3,735.01	\$1,562.41

- B) Water only customers  
 Quarterly minimum charge is the same for each meter size as shown in table above, except that the Sewer Commodity charge is excluded.

- C) Sewer only residential customers  
 Customers using sewer service only will pay the relevant minimum charge shown in "A" above except that the water commodity charge will be omitted.

**4. Accounts Due - Disconnect and Reconnect**

All water accounts shall be filed within 15 days following the end of the quarter in which the water was used, and shall be payable at par on the first day of the month, next following the date of billing, called hereafter the due date, and for 21 days thereafter, and after such time a penalty of 10% shall be charged.

One month after the due date for the payment of the account, the water may be shut off at the discretion of the City, and may be turned on only after all arrears and penalties have been paid together with the sum of \$30.00 for the turning on of the water, during the normal working hours of the City Employees.

**5. Outstanding Charges From a Lien on the Land**

Pursuant to Section 252(2) of The Municipal Act, the amount of all outstanding charges for water and sewer service are a lien and charge upon the land serviced and shall be collected in the same manner in which ordinary taxes upon the land are collected, and with like remedies.

**6. Service to Customers Outside the City Limits**

The Council of the City may sign agreements with customers for the provision of water and sewer services to properties outside the legal boundaries of the city. Such agreements shall provide for payment of the appropriate rates set out in this schedule herein, as well as a surcharge set by resolution of Council, which shall be equivalent to the frontage levy, general taxes and special taxes for utility purposes in effect at the time, or may be in effect from time to time, and which would be levied on the property concerned if it were within these boundaries. In addition, all costs of connecting to the utilities mains and installing and maintaining service connections will be paid by the customer.

**7. Fire Hydrant Rental**

The City shall pay to the water utility an annual rent of One Hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) per hydrant for all fire hydrants situated within the corporate limits of the City, which annual rental amount shall include charges for all water used through such hydrants for fire fighting purposes.

**8. Bulk Sales**

All water sold in bulk sales shall be charged for at the rate as identified in this schedule per 1,000 gallons on a pro-rated basis for all quantities greater than 250 gallons.

**9. Water Service Activations**

- a) THAT a rate for a construction turn-on be created for the purpose of providing a Contractor with construction water. This rate would be a flat rate of \$35.00 per construction turn-on for a period up to the date of substantial completion of the project as defined by the builders Liens Act. The Contractor will also be responsible to pay the City the cost of any water consumed during this period at the applicable sewer and water rates. There would be a maximum of one construction turn-on per building allowed.
- b) That the rate for either construction turn-on performed outside of normal working hours be fixed at \$80 per construction turn-on.

**10. Oversize Meter Charges**

That an oversize meter charge be levied on every water meter installed larger than the basic 5/8" water meter. The oversize meter charges shall be as follows:

Meter Size	
5/8 inch	\$ 0.00
¾ inch	50.00
1 inch	115.00
1½ inch	295.00
2 inch	400.00
3 inch	1,455.00
4 inch	2,355.00
6 inch	4,170.00

**11. Calibration Fee**

That a calibration fee be charged on each water meter removed to check the meter calibration. That calibration shall be \$30.00 per calibration, which represents the cost of removing the water meter, checking the calibration and installing of a water meter. When the calibration of the water meter is found to be reading incorrect, the calibration fee shall be returned to the water meter user.

**12. Change of Water or Water & Sewer**

- a) That a charge for change of water or water and sewer shall be \$30.00 per meter per turn on, performed during normal working hours, for a service that has changed users or service, the fee to recover the cost of completing the change of user or service.
- b) That the charge for a change of water and sewer user shall be

\$80.00 per meter per turn-on, performed outside of normal working hours, for a service that has changed users, the fee to recover the cost of completing the change of user.

**13. Inspection Fee**

That the inspection fee for a new sewer and water installation shall be \$50.00 per inspection per service installation between the street property line and the buildings. The inspection fee recovers the cost of the inspection and the completion of the records.

**14. Reconnection Fee**

- a) That the reconnection fee shall be \$30.00 per meter per reconnection performed during normal working hours. That the charge be services that are discontinued due to unpaid accounts.
- b) That the reconnection fee shall be \$80.00 per meter per reconnection performed outside of normal working hours. That the charge be for services that are discontinued due to unpaid accounts.