

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF TACHÉ
REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES
LANDMARK UTILITY**

June 20, 2022

The Rural Municipality of Taché (RM) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates for Landmark Utility (Utility) as set out in By-law No. 04-2022, read the first time on April 12, 2022. Rates were last approved in 2017 in Board Order No. 60/17, with current rates coming into effect January 1, 2019.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates			
	By-Law 9-2016	By-Law 04-2022 Year 1	By-Law 04-2022 Year 2	By-Law 04-2022 Year 3	By-Law 04-2022 Year 4
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 32.71	\$ 32.66	\$ 32.61	\$ 32.56	\$ 32.50
Water (per cubic meter)	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.78	\$ 2.17	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.96
Wastewater (per cubic meter)	\$ 1.35	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.19	\$ 1.11	\$ 1.03
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$ 73.81	\$ 78.41	\$ 83.01	\$ 87.61	\$ 92.35
Wastewater Only Customers**	\$ 113.71	\$ 108.86	\$ 104.01	\$ 99.16	\$ 94.30
Tipping Fee Annual Fee	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Tipping Fee (per load up to 1,500 gallons)***	\$ -	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Tipping Fee (per load over 1,500 gallons)***	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00

*Based on 15 cubic meters

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***Tipping fee between June 1 to October 15 annually, all tipping fees between October 16 to May 31 will be based on an emergency basis and charged \$75.00 per load.

- The RM is proposing significant changes to Wastewater Tipping Fees (see By-Law 04-2022 for full details):
 - Wastewater from within the RM only be dumped in the Landmark wastewater lagoon
 - The annual usage fee of \$5,000 to RM residents who reside outside of the LUD of Landmark is eliminated
 - Septic Haulers intending to discharge into the Landmark wastewater lagoon must register with the RM and provide a refundable \$200 deposit per key to access the lagoon. In the event a key must be replaced, the deposit will be forfeited and an additional deposit of \$200 required.
 - Septic Haulers must submit a monthly report to the RM (see By-Law 04-2022 for details)

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 RM of Taché'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 **August 14, 2022.**

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:

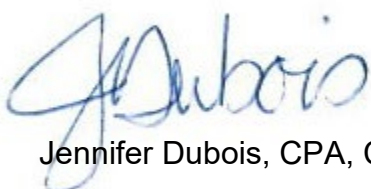
- the Utility filing a rate application to the Board,
- a public notification of proposed rate changes,
- the Board's review of the application through a public hearing or paper review process, and
- the issuance of an Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to 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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