

CITY OF HUMBOLDT

WATER AND SEWER RATES BYLAW NO. 19/2016 A BYLAW FOR THE COLLECTION OF WATER AND SEWER RATES

The Council of the City of Humboldt, in the Province of Saskatchewan, hereby enacts as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

In this Bylaw, the words:

- (a) **City** means the City of Humboldt and its employees.
- (b) **Curbstop** means the valve on a service pipe located on the street or lane at or near an Owner's property boundary.
- (c) **Customer** includes the owner, tenant, or occupant of any real property connected with or supplied with water through a water connection to the waterworks system of the City and who has paid the water meter deposit.
- (d) **Meter** means an apparatus for measuring and recording the quantity of water passing through it and shall include all accessory materials required for the installation and operation of the meter.
- (e) **Person** includes an applicant, consumer, corporation, landowner, occupant, owner, partnership or party and the personal or other legal representative of a person to whom the context can apply according to law and the singular includes the plural and the masculine includes the feminine, responsible for the payment of charges for water and sewer services.
- (f) **Public Works Director (Director)** means the person or persons employed by the City in the capacity of Public Works Director or Manager with the responsibility for administration of the Works and Utilities Department, and shall also be deemed to include the meter person responsible for the installation, maintenance and reading of water meters.
- (g) **Middle Users** means any customer who is located south of the City's limits along Highway No. 20 to the Humboldt Airport.
- (h) **North Humboldt Rural Group** means any customer located north of the City's limits.
- (i) **South Humboldt Water User** means any customer who is a member of the South Humboldt Water Users Corporation Limited.
- (j) **Waterworks System** means the whole or any part of the equipment by which or through which the City conveys water within the jurisdiction of the City and, not to limit the generality of the foregoing, includes pumps, sedimentation system, filtration system, the City's Water Treatment Plant, reservoirs, water mains, pipe valve connections, corporation stops, hydrants, valves and other related works, curb stops, meters and related appliances and all other appurtenances as are designed to form a part thereof.

2. **GENERAL**

- (a) Every person desiring to have his premises connected to the waterworks system shall apply to the City for that service.
- (b) The City may cause to be installed in the premises of every person receiving water service, a meter to be placed upon the service pipe connecting the premises to the waterworks system. Every person receiving a meter for a location in which a meter had not been previously installed shall pay the associated costs of said meter.
- (c) Every person desiring to receive or to continue to receive water service shall deposit with the City a fee per each meter in the amount as set out in Schedule “A” hereto and as amended from time to time, provided that the person who paid the said Water Meter Deposit shall be entitled to a return of the Water Meter Deposit when service is discontinued for which the said Water Meter Deposit was paid, less any outstanding amounts due at the time of discontinuing service.
- (d) The charges to be paid by water consumers whose water service has been turned on shall be those set forth in Schedule “B” hereto and as amended from time to time; provided, however, that the basic service fee shall be payable in every case whether or not any water is consumed.
- (e) The due date for services rendered in accordance with this Bylaw shall be the date as indicated on the invoice. Account balances outstanding after the due date will be considered overdue and subject to a penalty as listed in Schedule “A” hereto and is amended from time to time.
- (f) If an account is not paid in full by the due date, the water service may be discontinued without notice. When service is discontinued for non-payment, the said service shall not be reconnected until all arrears and accrued penalties are paid in full. An additional fee as set out in Schedule “A” hereto and as amended from time to time, to cover the expense of turning off the water and turning it on again shall be paid prior to the service being reconnected.
- (g) The collection of the charges for water service, cut-off and resumption of such services, and sums collected from customers and the supervision of all books, accounts, and other records in connection with the water service shall be under the immediate control and direction of the City Manager.

3. **METER READING**

- (a) All Water meters in the City shall be read monthly and accounts shall be rendered monthly to users of water from the municipality’s waterworks system.
- (b) The Council may, from time to time, by resolution determine the periods for billing purposes.

4. **PENALTIES**

- (a) The City may turn off the supply of water to any person in default of the requirements of this bylaw. The person in default shall not be entitled to receive any further water from the City until such person has remedied the default. It shall be unlawful for any person whose water has been turned off pursuant to this section, to turn such water on again, or take any water from the waterworks system until such time as the City authorizes the service to be restored.
- (b) Any person who breaches any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, of a fine to a maximum of \$10,000.00 for individuals and \$25,000 for corporation and is also liable to an action at law, at the suit of the City to make good any damage done.
- (c) Conviction of a person for a breach of any provision of this Bylaw does not relieve that person from compliance with the Bylaw.

5. **REPEALS**

Bylaw No. 07/2013 and No.20/2015 are hereby repealed.

6. **COMING INTO FORCE**

This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on January 15, 2017.

INTRODUCED AND READ THE FIRST TIME this 12th day of December, 2016.

READ THE SECOND TIME this 12th day of December, 2016.

READ THE THIRD TIME AND ADOPTED this 12th day of December, 2016.

Mayor: Rob Muench

City Clerk: Sandra Pauli

SCHEDULE “A”

1. The following meter deposits shall apply when application for water is made:
 - (a) The combined deposits for water meters and radio frequency units shall be as follows:

5/8 inch water meter	\$140.00 deposit
¾ inch water meter	\$190.00 deposit
1 inch water meter	\$240.00 deposit
1 ½ inch water meter	\$504.00 deposit
2 inch water meter	
or larger	\$720.00 deposit

2. The following rate shall apply for turning on water which was shut-off at the request of the water consumer, or for non-payment of accounts:
 - (a) \$50.00 for each reinstatement and/or reconnection.

3. The following penalty will be charged to users with account balances outstanding after the due date:
 - (a) 3% per month compounded monthly until the account including all penalties are paid in full.

4. The following rate shall be charged to users who change service locations:
 - (a) \$20.00 connection fee.

5. The following rate shall be charged to users of the City’s hydrants:
 - (a) \$50.00 per permitted use.

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