# TOWN OF ARBORG BY-LAW NO. 4-2015

# Being a By-law of The Town of Arborg to Establish Water and Sewer Rates Within the Said Town

WHEREAS the Town of Arborg owns and operates a sewer and water facility within the limits of the said Town;

AND WHEREAS The Municipal Act, S.M. 1996, C58, states in part:

- "232(1) A Council may pass by-laws for municipal purposes respecting the following matters:
  - (1) public utilities;
- Without limiting the generality of subsection (2), a council may in a by-law passed under this Division
  - (d) establish fees or other charges for services, activities or things provided or done by the municipality or for the use of property under the ownership, direction, management or control of the municipality;"

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Town of Arborg in regular session assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. **THAT** By-law No. 7-2011, enacted by the Town of Arborg the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2012, is hereby repealed; and
- 2. **THAT** all accounts for minimum charges for metered services, as set forth in the Schedule of Quarterly Rates, shall be billed quarterly together with any excess charges for metered water and sewer services for the quarter. Consumers shall pay for water and sewer service supplied to them by the Town of Arborg at the rates and terms set out in **Schedule "A"** attached hereto and forming part of this by-law;
- 3. **THAT** this By-law shall come into force and become effective on, from and after both approval by The Public Utilities Board and receipt of third and final reading thereof.

**DONE AND PASSED** by the Council of the Town of Arborg, in Council duly assembled at Arborg, Manitoba this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 2016.

Randy Sigurdson Mayor

Lorraine Bardarson Chief Administrative Officer

Read a first time this  $24^{th}$  day of June A.D. 2015 Read a second time this  $11^{th}$  day of May A.D. 2016 Read a third time as this  $11^{th}$  day of May A.D. 2016

#### **SCHEDULE "A"**

Town of Arborg Water and Sewer Rates By-law No. 4-2015

# SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES:

# 1. Commodity Rates per M.G.

a)	July 1, 2016			
All W	ater Consumption	<b>Water</b> \$8.40	<u>Sewer</u> \$3.00	<u>Water &amp; Sewer</u> \$11.40
b)	January 1, 2017	Water	Corror	Water & Comme
All W	ater Consumption	\$9.15	<u>Sewer</u> \$2.90	<u>Water &amp; Sewer</u> \$12.05
c)	January 1, 2018			
All W	ater Consumption	<b>Water</b> \$9.40	<u>Sewer</u> \$2.85	Water & Sewer

# 2. <u>Minimum Charges, Quarterly</u>

Notwithstanding the Commodity Rates set forth in Paragraph 1 hereof, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges set out below, which will include water allowances indicated:

# (a) <u>Water and Sewer Customers</u>

# (i) 2016

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Minimum Quarterly Consumption	Customer Service Charge	Commodity Water	<u>Charges</u> Sewer	Total Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	1.00	3,000	\$25.15	\$25.20	\$9.00	\$59.35
3/4 inch	2.00	6,000	\$25.15	\$50.40	\$18.00	\$93.55
1 inch	4.00	12,000	\$25.15	\$100.80	\$36.00	\$161.95
1½ inch	10.00	30,000	\$25.15	\$252.00	\$90.00	\$367.15
2 inch	25.00	75,000	\$25.15	\$630.00	\$225.00	\$880.15
3 inch	45.00	135,000	\$25.15	\$1,134.00	\$405.00	\$1,564.15

#### (ii) 2017

	Group	Minimum	Customer			Total
Meter	Capacity	Quarterly	Service	Commodity	<b>Charges</b>	Quarterly
Size	Ratio	Consumption	Charge	Water	Sewer	Minimum
5/8 inch	1.00	3,000	\$30.30	\$27.45	\$8.70	\$66.45
3/4 inch	2.00	6,000	\$30.30	\$54.90	\$17.40	\$102.60
1 inch	4.00	12,000	\$30.30	\$109.80	\$34.80	\$174.90
1½ inch	10.00	30,000	\$30.30	\$274.50	\$87.00	\$391.80
2 inch	25.00	75,000	\$30.30	\$686.25	\$217.50	\$934.05
3 inch	45.00	135,000	\$30.30	\$1,235.25	\$391.50	\$1,657.05

#### (iii) 2018

	Group	Minimum	Customer			Total
Meter	Capacity	Quarterly	Service	Commodity	Charges	Quarterly
Size	Ratio	Consumption	Charge	Water	Sewer	Minimum
5/8 inch	1.00	3,000	\$35.50	\$28.20	\$8.55	\$72.25
3/4 inch	2.00	6,000	\$35.50	\$56.40	\$17.10	\$109.00
1 inch	4.00	12,000	\$35.50	\$112.80	\$34.20	\$182.50
1½ inch	10.00	30,000	\$35.50	\$282.00	\$85.50	\$403.00
2 inch	25.00	75,000	\$35.50	\$705.00	\$213.75	\$954.25
3 inch	45.00	135,000	\$35.50	\$1,269.00	\$384.75	\$1,689.25

### (b) Water Only Customers

Minimum charge will be the same for each meter size as shown above, but the Sewer Commodity Charge will be excluded.

#### (c) <u>Sewer Only Customers</u>

The Town of Arborg shall charge the owners or occupants of land serviced with sewer, but no water, the sum of \$62.65 per quarter in 2016, \$66.55 per quarter in 2017 and \$71.15 per quarter in 2018, which includes the Customer Service Charge.

#### (d) Quarterly Charges for Vacated Properties With Lot Line Connections

The Town of Arborg shall charge the owners of vacated property, where a building once utilizing the service remains, the minimum water and sewer charges as shown in (a), (b) or (c) above.

#### 3. Bulk Sales Rate

All water sold in bulk by the Town of Arborg shall be charged for at the rate of \$20.00 per 1,000 gallons on a pro-rated basis for all quantities greater than 500 gallons. For any quantity of 500 gallons or less the minimum charge will be \$10.00.

# 4. Service to Customers Outside the Town of Arborg Boundaries

The Council of the Town of Arborg may sign agreements with customers for the provision of water and sewer services to properties located outside the legal boundaries of the Town of Arborg. Such agreements shall provide for payment of the appropriate rates set out in the schedule, 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 utility's mains and installing and maintaining service connections will be paid by the customer.

#### 5. <u>Billings and Penalties</u>

- Accounts shall be billed quarterly; and
  The due date will be at least 14 days after the date of billing;
- b) A late payment charge of 11/4% shall be charged on the dollar amount owing after the billing due date;
- c) The late payment charge will compound monthly and will appear on the customer's next quarterly bill if unpaid.

#### 6. <u>Disconnection</u>

The Public Utilities Board, by Board Order No. 39/09, approved the Conditions Precedent to be followed by the municipality with respect to the disconnection of service for non-payment including, such matters as notice and the right to appeal such action to the Public Utilities Board. A copy of the Conditions Precedent is available for inspection at the Town Office.

# 7. Reconnection

Any service disconnected due to non-payment of account shall not be reconnected until all arrears, penalties and a reconnection fee of \$50.00 have been paid.

#### 8. <u>Outstanding Bills</u>

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 collectible, and with like remedies.

# 9. <u>Hydrant Rentals</u>

The Town of Arborg will pay to the utility an annual rental of \$200.00 for each hydrant connected to the system.

# 10. Water Allowance Due to Line Freezing

That in any case where, at the request of the Council, a customer allows water to run continuously for any period of time to prevent the water lines in the water system from freezing, the charge to that customer for the current quarter shall be the average of the billings for the last two previous quarters to the same customer, or to the same premises if the occupant has changed.

#### 11. Sewer Surcharges

- (a) There may be levied annually, in addition to rates set forth above, a special surcharge on sewage having a Biochemical Oxygen demand in excess of 300 parts per million, to be set by resolution of Council.
- (b) A special surcharge for substances requiring special treatment shall be charged based on the actual costs of treatment required for the particular sewage or industrial wastes.

# 12. <u>Disconnect and Reconnect Water</u>

Where service is requested to be disconnected or reconnected for any length of time as a result of vacation or renovation, a service charge of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each disconnect and/or reconnect. Further, the minimum water and/or sewer charge shall continue to be charged to each account whether the service is active or inactive.