

BYLAW NO. 2-2019

A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF WILLOW BUNCH TO FIX THE RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR THE USE AND CONSUMPTION OF WATER AND TO FIX THE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY WAY OF RENT OR SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE USE OF SEWER

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COUNCIL of the Town of Willow Bunch in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:


1. The charges to be paid by the water consumer whose water service has been turned on shall be those set out in Schedule "A" attached; provided, however, that the minimum shall be payable in every case whether or not any water is consumed. Persons who own or occupy premises drained or that are by bylaw required to be drained into the sewer shall pay for such services a rental rate or service charge in accordance with Schedule "B" attached.
2. Accounts for water service and/or sewer service shall cover a period of three successive months, and shall be rendered on or before the first day of the month next following such period. Accounts shall be paid within a period of thirty days from the date on which such accounts are rendered. If an account is not paid within the period of thirty days, the water service may be cut off. When the water service is cut off, it shall not be turned on until all arrears have been paid, together with a fee of **\$40.00 dollars** to cover the expenses of turning off the water and turning it on again; provided that if it is required to turn on the water service outside the employees' regular working hours, the fee shall be **\$ 50.00 dollars**.
3. A discount of 5% will be given to all Consumers who pay their annual water and sewer charges in one lump sum on or before January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.
4. A penalty of 2% per month shall be charged on all water and sewer rates unpaid on or after the 30th day from the billing date
5. When water is to be drawn by the tank load, the applicant will be required to take delivery from the water treatment plant and the fee shall be twenty dollars (20.00) per 1000 gallons of water.
6. A capital infrastructure fee of \$5.00/month shall be added to each bill. The purpose of the Capital Infrastructure charge is to provide funding for the future capital cost of waterworks infrastructure replacement.
7. The Town shall have the right to ration or limit the amount of water furnished to any or all consumers, should circumstances seem to warrant such action.
8. All utility rates hereby established or established by resolution of Town Council under the provisions hereof are hereby constituted as a lien on real property and may be levied and collected in the same manner as taxes from the owner if not paid by a tenant or occupant.
9. Every single-family & multi-family residential property owner and commercial property owner wanting have his/her premises connected to the waterworks shall apply to the Administrator. The costs associated with the materials and installation of each **new** water and sewer connection are the responsibility of the property owner, in addition to acquiring a plumber to connect to the Town's water and sewer main. Subsequent costs for replacement of pavement, curbing, sidewalk and all other damages occurring as a result of the installation of water and sewer will be the responsibility of the property owner.

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10. Every consumer shall provide, at his/her own expense, a place in his/her premises for the installation of a water meter provided by the Town of Willow Bunch. The meter shall be in a location to provide ready and easy means of access for examination by the meter reader. Every consumer shall at all times properly protect the service pipes and fixtures from frost or other injury so that the meter shall not in any way be damaged. Every consumer shall be responsible to the Town for costs incurred out of any damage to such meters from frost or other injury. Water meters shall remain the property of the Municipality.
11. Every consumer shall provide, at his/her expense, a place on the outside wall of his/her premises, where a remote read out unit may be installed. The location must be convenient for the meter reader.
12. The cost of subsequent repairs and/or replacement and maintenance of **existing** water and/or sewer lines from the water and/or sewer main to the premises, including sidewalk/curb replacement and pavement recapping shall be borne by the property owner.
13. Replacement and/or maintenance of the curbstop at each property shall be borne by the Municipality unless deemed to have been damaged by negligence of property owner.
14. The Municipality will provide a water meter where necessary for the repairing or replacing due to normal wear, at no charge to the consumer. However, as the public works department does not install water meters, a plumber would therefore be required. Costs associated with the plumber are the responsibility of the consumer.
15. Where repair or replacement of a water meter is necessary due to physical damage to the meter caused by the consumer's negligence, a new water meter is required to be installed by a plumber. The consumer will be charged the cost of the new meter plus the costs associated with the plumber to do the work.
16. For the purpose of making repairs to the mains or of connecting or repairing service pipes or constructing extensions or new work, or for any other work, the Municipality shall have the right to shut off the water from any customer without notice and to keep it shut off as long as may be necessary to enable the work to be completed. Whenever feasible, the customer shall be notified in advance.
17. The Municipality shall have the right to limit the amount of water furnished to any customer, upon reasonable notice to the customer of such intended action.
18. The Municipality shall have the right, by resolution of council, to regulate the use of water for fountains, jets, hoses, sprinklers or to limit the hours for using same.
19. Bylaw No. 1/2017 is hereby repealed.

THE rates, charges, tolls or rents contained in this bylaw shall come into force on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 and take effect on that day and upon approval by the Municipal Board.

  
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Administrator



SCHEDULE "A"  
TO BYLAW NO. 2-2019

FOR RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL WITHIN TOWN BOUNDARIES

Basic: Three thousand gallons per month \$30.00

Over basic: Any gallons of water used above the three thousand minimum (3001 gallons and over) shall be **charged 0.50 cents per** 100 gallon or parts thereof.

The following schedule shall apply:

- a) Residences within the Town boundaries: Note that each residence may be a house or a self-contained suite or apartment. Each apartment in a building shall be charged \$30.00 dollars a month, and over basic if it applies.

Example: A building containing three self-contained suites or self-contained living quarters would be charged \$30.00 per month each for water, and should there be only one meter to a building (existing buildings) then the person in charge of the building will be charged the total over basic on his bill for all apartments or self-contained suites.

- b) Businesses : \$30.00 per month plus over basic charges  
c) Hotel/Motel : \$30.00 per month plus over basic charges  
d) School : \$30.00 per month plus over basic charges  
e) Others : \$30.00 per month plus over basic charges

For Residents Outside the Town Boundaries

Basic: Three Thousand (3000) gallons per month \$38.00

Over basic: Any gallons of water used above the three thousand minimum (3001 gallons and over) shall be **charged 0.55 cents per** 100 gallon or parts thereof.

- a) Residences Outside the Town boundaries: Note that each residence may be a house or a self-contained suite or apartment. Each apartment in a building shall be charged \$38.00 dollars a month, and over basic if it applies.

- b) Businesses outside the town boundaries: \$38.00

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**SCHEDULE "B"**  
**TO BYLAW NO. 2/2019**

**MONTHLY SEWER SERVICE CHARGES:**

a) **Residences within the Town boundaries**: Note that each residence may be a house or a self- contained suite or apartment – And a building may contain one or more residences, self- contained suites and apartments. Each apartment in a building shall be charged \$15.00 dollars a month.

Example: A building containing three self- contained suites or self-contained living quarters would be charged \$13.20 each per month for sewer.

- b) **Businesses:** \$15.00 per month
- c) **Hotel/Motel :** \$32.00 per month
- d) **School :** \$15.00 per month
- e) **Others :** \$15.00 per month

f) **Residences Outside the Town boundaries** : Note that each residence may be a house or a self- contained suite or apartment – And a building may contain one or more residences, self- contained suites and apartments . Each apartment in a building shall be charged \$15.50 dollars a month.

Example: A building containing three self- contained suites or self-contained living quarters would be charged \$15.50 each per month for sewer.

g) **Businesses outside the Town Boundaries** \$15.50 per month

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**TOWN OF WILLOW BUNCH – WATER AND SEWER RATES**

*That* the Committee approve the water and sewer rates contained in the **Town of Willow Bunch's Bylaw No. 2-2019** in accordance with subsection 23(3) of *The Municipalities Act*.

**CARRIED**

