
ANNUAL WATERWORKS INFORMATION TOWN OF WAKAW

WATERWORKS RATE POLICY

Under the waterworks rate policy resolution, the rate will be established by bylaw for a period of two years subject to annual review by council. Saskatchewan Water Corporation supplies treated water to the town. Their rate for 2019 is \$3.5573 per cubic meter, which represents an increase of approximately 7.00%. In establishing the rate, council takes into consideration the annual increase for both purchasing water and the operating expenses. Council recognizes the need to create adequate reserve funds for water and sewer maintenance and replacement. The Town of Wakaw is fortunate to have a Sask Water Treatment Plant in our community. This in turn with our scheduled maintenance and replacement plans will ensure our waterworks will provide safe drinking water for our residents.

The 2019 rate of \$214.00 per quarter for the first 5,000 gallons plus an overage charge of \$24.00/1000 gallons or part thereof, were established by Bylaw on September 13, 2017. The Town charges a rate of \$162.00 per quarter for the operation of the sanitary sewer system which is based on the 1st 7,000 gallons of water consumption plus an additional \$4.00/1000 gallons or part thereof.

Proposed 5 Year Water Rates

Year	Min Quarterly Charge (5,000 gal)	Overage per 1,000 gallons
2019	\$214.00	\$24.00
2020	\$229.00	\$25.00
2021	\$245.00	\$26.00
2022	\$262.00	\$27.00
2023	\$280.00	\$28.00

Council may consider further increases to the proposed rates in order to improve capital reserves to meet the future infrastructure maintenance and replacement costs.

Waterworks Capital Investment Strategy

The focus of this strategy will be to address the future growth needs of the community and to ensure that there are adequate water reserves for consumer consumption and fire protection. Council has commissioned Integrated Engineering Ltd. to prepare proposals and options for the replacement of the existing water tower, reservoir and pumps, underground water mains and sanitary sewer system as well as lagoon expansion. Integrated Engineering is completing a Capital Asset Management Plan determining the state of all W & S Infrastructure in the Town of Wakaw.

Capital Plans

Project	Year of Completion	2019 Cost	Future Cost**	Source of Funding
Lagoon Road Sanitary Sewer Main Replacement	2019	\$ 471,240		W&S Revenue
Water Reservoir	2022	\$2,000,000	\$2,100,000	Grants/Reserves Borrowing
Water & Sewer Main Replacement	2035	\$8,000,000	\$10,400,000	Grants/Reserves Borrowing

Financial Overview (of the previous year)

Utility expenditures (wages, etc) are combined with the sewer costs as reported in the 2018(Unaudited) Financial Statements

Total 2018 water/sewer works revenue \$ 812,827

Total 2018 expenditures \$ 637,205

Comparison of water works revenues to expenditures, expressed as a ratio =

$$\frac{\$ 812,827}{\$ 637,205} = 1.28$$

Reserves

As of December 31, 2018 \$820,000

Approved by Council – April 10, 2019