

## ANNUAL WATERWORKS INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE BY SEPTEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR

(as required under *The Cities Regulations*)

Municipality: City of Meadow Lake

Date: August 25, 2015

### WATERWORKS RATE POLICY

Council has indicated that they intend Water & Sewer be a self sufficient, user pay, Utility. In the future, they would like to see depreciation included as an expense and expect it will take 5 to 7 years of rate increases to get there. Any future major capital projects will be covered by debenture or long-term loans and infrastructure grants. Any additional debt load will be covered by future rate increases

In 2014, two amendments were made to the Water & Sewer Bylaw in order to increase the Quarterly minimum Charge as well as the Over Minimum Charge for both Water and Sewer as set out below:

Bylaw Date	Bylaw Number	Effective Date	Water			Sewer		
			Quarterly Minimum Charge	Quarterly Minimum Usage	Rate per m <sup>3</sup> over Minimum	Quarterly Minimum Charge	Quarterly Minimum Usage	Rate per m <sup>3</sup> over Minimum
Jun 28, 2010	8/2010	Jan 1, 2011	\$94.50	34m <sup>3</sup>	\$0.825	\$51.00	102m <sup>3</sup>	\$0.50
Feb 24, 2014	3/2014	Apr 1, 2014	\$99.23	34m <sup>3</sup>	\$0.88	\$53.55	102m <sup>3</sup>	\$0.54
Dec 8, 2014	10/2014	Jan 1, 2015	\$104.19	34m <sup>3</sup>	\$0.94	\$56.22	102m <sup>3</sup>	\$0.61

### ANNUAL WATERWORKS FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The following is information on the waterworks, as required under The Cities Regulations:

2014 Waterworks Overview:

Total waterworks revenues: \$1,520,074

Total waterworks expenditures: \$1,850,765

Total debt payments on waterworks infrastructure loans: \$388,581

Comparison of waterworks revenues to expenditures plus debt payments, expressed as a ratio:

$$\frac{\$1,520,074}{\$1,850,765 + \$388,581} = .68$$

\*The above financial figures include both water and sewer revenue and expenses.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Reserves available for waterworks capital infrastructure - \$ 0

- The Water Treatment Plant has been upgraded to 10,000 population
- A Watermain Valve Repair program has been started that, when complete, will ensure that all watermain valves are in working order.
- KGS Engineering continues to work with the City to bring the disinfection by-products (DBP) to acceptable concentrations within the municipal waterworks.
- In December of 2014 we awarded the tender for the Reservoir #1 upgrades and the addition of a generator at the Water Treatment Plant and Reservoir #2 to Ritchie Construction Ltd. for \$1,670,000.
- In 2014 the replacement of the 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue Sewer Lift Station was completed at a total cost of \$4,112,790 over 4 years.
- We issued a \$3,000,000 15 yr Debenture to the Municipal Finance Corporation to cover a portion of the costs of the 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue Sewer Lift Station.
- In 2014, we made the final payment on the existing long-term debenture debt.
- One year and one month of existing long-term loan debt left.