



BY-LAW 167 / 2013

A By-law of the Town of Bentley in the Province of Alberta providing for the setting and collection of water and sewer rates and the fixing of the time and the places where rates are payable, as provided in the Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta, 1994, Chapter M-26.1 with all amendments thereto.

WHEREAS the Town of Bentley has installed a water supply and distribution system and a sewage collection and disposal system for the said Town.

WHEREAS it is necessary to make a charge against the property owners and others for whose convenience the said water and sewer system has been provided.

NOW THEREFORE the Town of Bentley in Council assembled hereby enacts as follows:

1. A charge shall be made for the use of water supply and distribution system against the owners of all land which is served by the said system in the Town of Bentley according to the rates hereinafter set in **Schedule A** (attached) on the basis of water used, as determined by the water meter, and total system cost recovery.
2. A charge shall be made for the use of the sewage collection and disposal system against the owners of all land which is served by a connection with the sewage system in the Town of Bentley, based on the purpose for which such land is used and according to the rates hereinafter set in **Schedule A** (attached) on the basis of total system cost recovery.
3. The water meters shall at all times remain the property of the Town of Bentley and shall not be tampered with or interfered with at any time by the user or those under his control. Any damage to the said meter shall be paid for by the individual or firm using the water services, on the basis of costs repair including parts and labor or meter replacement.


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4. A charge of **FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)** will be made for turning off the water service and also for turning on the water service after the initial installation when turn off or on is done during regular working hours, being Monday to Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and a charge of **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)** when the turn off or on is done outside of regular working hours, on weekends or holidays, specifically when such turning off or on is done at the request of the user, in an emergency situation or by reason of default of the owner in paying for the services so rendered;
5. No person other than the Town Foreman or his duly authorized agent shall turn off or turn on the water supply from the Town supply system to the owners premises;
6. Bi-monthly, the Town shall cause to be mailed or delivered to each owner of land where water and/or sewer services are supplied, a utility statement showing the amount of water used during the previous month(s) and the charge for same calculated by the rates set by Council; a charge for sewer service at a rate set by Council. The statement shall name a day and the places when and where such charge is to be payable, and the record of the Town of the mailing of such notice shall be sufficient evidence the notice was sent to the last known address of the person to be charged; failure to receive such notice does not relieve the owner of the property of the late payment penalties hereby imposed;
7. The rates hereby imposed shall be payable by the owner on or before the date which shall be set out on the notice mailed or delivered to the owner in each billing cycle. The Town shall have the right to enforce payment of the said rates by transfer of the utility service outstanding amount to the owners tax account. The Town of Bentley also reserves the right to disconnect the water supply to any property of which the said utility bill remains outstanding.
8. Clause 71 of the Water and Waste Water By-law No. 91/05 shall be amended as follows;
 - a. In the event that any such utility bill remains unpaid for a period of thirty-five (35) days from the date of mailing of the said utility bill, there shall be added a penalty in the amount of ten percent (10%) on the current utility charges of the said utility bill and this penalty shall form part of the arrears and shall be subject to collection in the same manner as all other rates and charges, including the transfer of the outstanding amount to the property tax account.


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9. In this By-law the word person or owner shall include a corporation, partnership, church, club, lodge or school or similar institution or the Board or Officers thereof.

10. This By-law shall come into effect on May 1, 2013.

11. This By-law rescinds By-law No. 101 / 06, 112 / 2007 and By-law No. 142 / 2010.

Read a first time this 12th day of March, 2013

Read a second time this 12th day of March, 2013

Read a third and final time this 12th day of March, 2013.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE A
DEFINITIONS AND RATES

For the purposes of establishing and levying a charge for the provision of water and sewer services, the following definitions shall apply:

Dwelling Unit: means a complete building or self-contained portion of a building used by one or more individuals living as a single housekeeping unit, containing sleeping, cooking and separate toilet facilities, intended as a permanent residence, which may or may not have direct access to the outside by a separate exterior entranceway.

Business Unit: means a complete building or self-contained portion of a building for the use of providing for the sale, supply, manufacture, assembly, repair, rental or storage of goods or service or both, for gain or profit, which may or may not have direct access to the outside by a separate exterior entranceway.

Multiple Use Building: means a building containing one or more business units or one or more dwelling units or a combination of business units and dwelling units.

Water (Metered) Rates:

The following rates are based on a two month (bi-monthly) billing period.

All consumers, with the exception of bulk water accounts, shall be levied the same rate (residential, commercial, industrial, institutional) based on a two month (bi-monthly) billing as follows;

Effective May 1, 2013

\$41.90 for the first 27 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$.90 for each additional cubic meter or portion thereof

Effective May 1, 2014

\$44.00 for the first 27 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$.95 for each additional cubic meter or portion thereof


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Effective May 1, 2015

\$46.20 for the first 27 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$ 1.00 for each additional cubic meter or portion thereof

Effective May 1, 2016

\$48.50 for the first 27 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$ 1.05 for each additional cubic meter or portion thereof

Effective May 1, 2017

\$50.95 for the first 27 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$ 1.10 for each additional cubic meter or portion thereof

Bulk Water and Counter Sales:

For each bulk water account opened, there shall be a **\$200.00 key deposit** required, refundable upon account closure subject to keys being returned and the account is paid in full.

The following rates are based on a one month billing period

Effective May 1, 2013

\$43.65 for the first 8 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$ 6.85 for each additional cubic meter

Effective May 1, 2014

\$45.85 for the first 8 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$ 7.20 for each additional cubic meter

Effective May 1, 2015

\$48.15 for the first 8 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$ 7.55 for each additional cubic meter


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Effective May 1, 2016

\$50.55 for the first 8 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$ 7.55 for each additional cubic meter

Effective May 1, 2017

\$53.10 for the first 8 cubic meters or any portion thereof
\$ 7.95 for each additional cubic meter

Sewer Rates:

The following rates are based on a two month (bi-monthly) billing period.

All consumers shall be levied the same rate per residential or business unit, subject to the following exceptions:

Mobile Home Park shall be based on average occupancy level of 90% of stalls = 48 units x unit rate.

Institutional Use Building shall be based on 3 x the unit rate

Effective May 1, 2013

Per Residential and/or Business Unit	\$ 33.40
Institutional Use: Per Unit	\$ 100.20
Mobile Home Park	\$ 1,603.20

Effective May 1, 2014

Per Residential and/or Business Unit	\$ 35.10
Institutional Use: Per Unit	\$ 105.10
Mobile Home Park	\$ 1,683.40


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Effective May 1, 2015


Per Residential and/or Business Unit	\$ 36.85
Institutional Use: Per Unit	\$ 110.35
Mobile Home Park	\$ 1,767.60

Effective May 1, 2016

Per Residential and/or Business Unit	\$ 38.70
Institutional Use: Per Unit	\$ 115.90
Mobile Home Park	\$ 1,856.00

Effective May 1, 2017

Per Residential and/or Business Unit	\$ 40.65
Institutional Use: Per Unit	\$ 121.70
Mobile Home Park	\$ 1,950.00


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