

ANNUAL WATERWORKS INFORMATION

Year: 2015

Name of Municipality: Town of Regina Beach

Date: May 20, 2016

WATERWORKS RATE POLICY

Currently Bylaw No. 7/2009 A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF REGINA BEACH TO AMEND BYLAW NO. 27/84 TO FIX THE RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR WATER USED FROM THE MUNICIPALITY'S WATER WORKS SYSTEM is in place.

Under Bylaw No. 7/2009, the water rates are as follows:

Quarterly Water Rates

5,000 gallons or less	\$65.00 minimum
Over 5,000 gallons	\$13.00 per 1,000 gallons

For the 2015 year the current rates cover approximately 20% of the waterworks operating costs and capital expenditures, with the other 80% of the operating costs and capital expenditures being covered by funding from the general revenue fund.

The objective of the waterworks rate policy is to work towards waterworks that are self-financing, or user funded. To accomplish this, waterworks rates need to increase over time so that the revenue covers operating costs. In view of this 2015 Water Rate Policy it is evident that water rates do not cover the cost of the expenditures, therefore council will be reviewing the current rates.

WATERWORKS CAPITAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The objective of the waterworks capital investment strategy is to address current and anticipated waterworks infrastructure maintenance requirements in a timely fashion to ensure the municipal waterworks provides safe drinking water to residents, businesses and visitors.

Town of Regina Beach built a Water Treatment Plant to comply with government regulations.

The Town is in the process of bringing a further well on line to provide additional capacity during peak season.

To cover the costs of future waterworks infrastructure maintenance and replacements, Council is increasing reserve funds yearly to address water main replacements, meter replacements and on going

curbstop replacement. Council is identifying the areas for infrastructure replacement and are addressing critical watermain replacements with the Local Improvement process.

The Town is in preliminary talks to sell water to neighbouring communities.

ANNUAL WATERWORKS FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

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

2015 Waterworks Overview:

Total waterworks revenues operating & capital: \$274,493

Total waterworks expenditures operating & capital: \$1,261,514

Total debt payments on waterworks infrastructure loan principal: \$48,851

Total debt payments on waterworks infrastructure loan interest: \$15,289

Comparison of waterworks revenues to expenditures (operating & capital) plus debt payments, expressed as a ratio:

$$\frac{274,493}{\$1,261,514 + \$48,851 + \$15,289 = 1,325,654} = .21$$

RESERVES

Reserves available for waterworks capital infrastructure or unexpected expenses - \$78,385

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE ON THE WATERWORKS:

- 2015 water rate policy
- 2015 financial overview of the waterworks
- 2015 drinking water quality and compliance
- Water works reserves

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