



BYLAW # 419-20 UTILITY RATES BYLAW

A BYLAW OF THE VILLAGE OF MILO, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO ESTABLISH UTILITY RATES PENALTIES AND FEES.

WHEREAS Section 6 of the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26*, and amendments thereto, provides that a Council is authorized to pass a Bylaw implying the power to charge for goods and services provided.

WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Milo, in the Province of Alberta, deems it expedient to pass such a Bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Milo duly assembled, pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26*, hereby enacts as follows:

1) TITLE

1.1 This Bylaw may be referred to as the “**UTILITY RATES BYLAW**”

2) INTERPRETATION

2.1 The Village is assuming its cost of treated water to be \$2.98 per cubic meter. The cost will vary according to the type of Utility notice being issued. There are four (4) types of ratepayers for the purposes of billing for utility services: residential, commercial, non-resident connection and bulk water.

2.2 All fees will be billed monthly except bulk water, which will be billed for the months wherein they occur usage.

3) FEES

The following fees will apply contingent on the type of utility notice being used:

3.1 ADMIN FEE-\$14.00/MONTH- every utility notice will include a set fee for costs of administration. This fee is to cover costs incurred for administering utilities including but not limited to software, software licensing fees, man hours, paper products and postage.

3.2 DISTRIBUTION FEE-\$8.00/MONTH- residential, commercial, non-resident connections will be charged a set fee for the use, repair, and replacement of waterlines in the Village. This fee is necessary to collect funds to maintain the water distribution system.

3.3 SEWER-\$15.00/MONTH-residential and commercial ratepayers will pay a set fee of \$15.00/month for the use, repair and replacement of sewer lines in the Village. This fee is necessary to collect funds to maintain the sewer system.

3.4 GARBAGE-\$25.00/MONTH-residential and commercial ratepayers will pay a set fee of \$25.00/month to cover costs associated with the annual membership in the Vulcan District Waste Commission, and garbage collection services provided by the Village.

4) RATES

The following rates will apply contingent on the type of utility notice being used:



4.1 WATER RATES-\$2.98/CUBIC METER- residential, commercial, non-resident connections will be charged the full cost recovery rate of \$2.98/cu m including but not limited to the implemented 8 cu m/month

4.2 BULK WATER RATES-\$6.60/CUBIC METER-bulk water rates will remain at \$6.60/cu m as the Village recognizes transportation costs incurred by bulk customers.

5) MINIMUM USAGE AMOUNT

5.1The Village has implemented the minimum usage rate of 8 cubic meters/month to encourage residents to water lawns, gardens, and trees. Minimum usage rates will also assist in more accurate water production projections and budgeting.

6) FINES, PENALTIES AND FEES

6.1 The following fines, penalties and will apply contingent on the type of infractions the following will be applied:

- a) late payment penalties on overdue accounts will be charged monthly compounding at a rate of 1.25%
- b) Reconnection/Disconnection Fee \$50.00
- c) Tampering with a valve or hydrant first offence \$150.00 repeat offences \$250.00.
- d) Connection/Disconnection by anyone other than Village employees or designates \$150.00 repeat offences \$250.00
- e) Tampering or damaging a water meter cost of repair or replacement plus 20% admin fees
- f) Application Fee for connecting to Village Utilities \$500.00
- g) Bulk water deposit fee \$250.00

7) EFFECTIVE DATE

7.1 This Bylaw shall come into force and effect on the FINAL date of passing thereof.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 8th DAY OF December,2020

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 12th DAY January, 2021

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 12th DAY OF January, 2021

Scott Schroeder, Mayor

Wendy Hingley, Chief Administrative Officer