

Village of Vibank



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Bylaw 2019-04

A BYLAW OF THE VILLAGE OF VIBANK BEING A BYLAW TO FIX THE RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR THE USE AND CONSUMPTION OF WATER, ESTABLISH CONNECTION FEES, ESTABLISH CHARGES FOR THE USE OF THE SAID WATERWORKS AND TO FIX THE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY WAY OF RENT OR SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE USE OF SEWER

The Council of the Village of Vibank, in the province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

A. Municipal Water System – Connection Services

1. Water services shall be installed in accordance with the Municipalities Building Bylaw. Water service shall be installed and approved by the authorized personnel and shall be constructed at the expense of the owner. Any fittings required to join the applicant's building to the water distributions system's curb box shall be the owner's responsibility, unless the Municipality determines otherwise.
2. It is the responsibility of the owner to ensure that no piping, fixture, fitting, container, meter, appliance or other device would, under any circumstance, allow any part of the waterworks service to become contaminated.
 - a. Every new service connection must have installed an approved backflow prevention device or assembly.
3. The water service connection between the curb box and the water meter shall be maintained at the sole expense of the owner. In the event any defect is discovered in the water service connection between the curb box and the water meter, the owner shall repair the defect within ten (10) working days of being directed to do so by the authorized personnel. In the event the property owner refuses or neglects to carry out repairs within the specified time, the Municipality may, have the work done at the expense of the owner.
4. A construction water flat rate charge will be charged for those premises that have a service connection to allow for testing and are being supplied water by the waterworks during construction of the principal building. Water construction flat rate charges for unmetered accounts will begin with the issuance of the building permit and will continue for a maximum of six (6) months. Water meter readings will begin upon the installation of the water meter.

B. Municipal Water System – Metered Services

1. Water meters shall be installed in every connection to the municipal water distribution system by a qualified plumber. The size of all residential meters must be 5/8 ECODER meters. Any

residents wishing to have a larger size meter shall make a request to the Municipality and will be responsible for the cost of the meter.

2. Persons requiring to be supplied with water from the municipal system must make application to the Municipality. Failure to make application will result in a utility billing with estimated consumption of thirty (30) cubic meters.
3. Any persons who willfully damages or tampers with or breaks the seal on any meter will be committing an offense of this Bylaw and be liable under summary conviction. If found to be liable under summary conviction the person shall have an estimated billing for Thirty (30) cubic meters per month. Plus any additional costs that the Village incurs due to the damages.
4. Curb stops will be turned on by only authorized personnel of the Municipality. Failure to comply therewith will be charged with an offence and liable on summary conviction to a penalty prescribed in this bylaw in Schedule "C".

C. Municipal Water System – Rates and Charges

1. The charges to be paid by the water consumer whose water service has been turned on shall be those set out in Schedule "A" attached; provided, however, that the minimum shall be payable in every case whether or not any water is consumed.
2. Persons who own or occupy premises drained or that are by bylaw required to be drained into the sewer shall pay for such services a rental rate or service charge in accordance with Schedule "B" attached.
3. Every property requesting a new water connection must make application to the Village as well as pay a \$100 application fee as set out in Schedule "A".
4. Every property requesting a new sewer connection must make application to the Village as well as pay a \$100 application fee as set out in Schedule "B".
5. Accounts for water service and/or sewer service shall cover a period of two successive months, and shall be rendered on or before the first day of the month next following such period. Accounts shall be paid within a period of thirty days from the date on which such accounts are rendered. If an account is not paid within the period of thirty days, the water service may be cut off as per the Village of Vibank Water Utility Arrears Policy July 2017. When the water service is cut off, it shall not be turned on until all arrears have been paid, together with a fee of \$150.00 for disconnection and reconnection of service.
6. Until a serviced property is vacant for longer than six (6) consecutive months, the minimum monthly base charge set out in Schedule "A" shall be charged to the owner of the property. Any property requesting a service disconnection to allow for the demolition of the principal building within thirty days of the application will forego the six (6) month base rate charge set out in Section C.8. If the principal building is not demolished within thirty (30) days from the time of the application, the minimum monthly base charge set out in Schedule "A" shall be charged to the owner of the property including the thirty (30) day grace period given for demolition until the principal building is demolished.
7. Preceding the six (6) month base rate charge set out in Section C.8. Any residents wishing to disconnect or connect an already existing water service that is not due to an emergent situation shall do so by notifying the municipality at least one (1) week prior to the disconnection date

requested. A onetime disconnection and reconnection fee of \$150.00 will be charged to the resident at the time of disconnection. A penalty of 1.5% will be added to all water and sewer accounts outstanding at the date of the next billing and will be applied on the 1st day of the month of each month until paid.

- a. The Vibank Seniors low rental units are exempt from the one time disconnection and reconnection fee.
8. If any fee, rate, assessment, cost, charge, or arrears remain unpaid after prior notice that the charges for the utility service to the parcel are in arrears was sent to the owner and tenant, the Municipality may at their discretion:
- a. Add that amount to, and thereby form part of the taxes on the land, or buildings, with respect to which service was provided; and
 - b. Lien that amount on the land and buildings, and on the goods and chattels of the occupier of the land and buildings to which the service was provided; and
 - c. Collect those rates, fees, assessments, charges, and arrears in the same manner as taxes are recoverable; and
 - d. Charge an administration fee to the utility account equal to the cost of a regular registered letter.
9. The Meter charge shall be the sum of the actual cost of the meter plus GST for all properties with 5/8" meters. Meter charge and other related charges shall be covered by the applicant at the time of the building permit application.
10. For new commercial properties requiring larger than 5/8" meters, meter charge and other related charges shall be covered by the applicant.
11. During construction, the home builder will receive regular utility bills after the meter is installed. The home builder must make application to the Municipality to have the water services connected.
12. Bylaw No. 2016-07 is repealed.

The rates and charges contained in this Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the day of approval being issued by the Local Government Committee.



Mayor – Ryan Reiss



Administrator – Dagmar Crumley

Dated : April 30, 2019



Schedule "A," "B" and "C" to Bylaw 2019-4

Schedule "A"

Monthly Water Rates for all properties including residential, commercial and school.

Base Rate: \$60.00/month
1st 20 m3: \$2.50/m3
Over 20m3: \$2.75/m3

Water connection fee: \$100.00

Water Usage Rates for Construction

Construction water flat rate charge set at one-time payment of \$110.00 for testing purposes only

Schedule "B"

Monthly Sewer Rates:

Residential: The sewer rate shall be \$25.00 per month

Commercial: The sewer rate shall be \$31.50 per month

School: The sewer rate shall be \$275.00 per month

Sewer connection fee: \$100.00

Schedule "C"

Summary Conviction Penalty \$250.00



Mayor

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FORMS

Bylaw 2019-4

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Residential Application for Service Disconnection

Application date: _____

Disconnection date: _____ Owner: _____ Renter: _____

Name: _____

Service Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone#: _____ Cell#: _____

Email: _____ Work#: _____

\$150.00 Disconnection Fee Received: _____

If home is a rental unit and owner is requiring disconnection. Has owner served the renter with 7 days written notice of disconnection. Yes _____ No _____

A copy of the letter must be submitted before disconnection

By making this application customer agrees that they are no longer living in the dwelling and the dwelling has been vacant for greater than 6 consecutive months, are responsible for the final billing charge, and that the water meter or other connections are undamaged, according to the respective Bylaw.

Customer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Town Administrator: _____ Date: _____

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Residential Application for Water service Connection

Application date: _____ Building Permit#: _____

Connection date: _____ Owner: _____ Renter: _____

Name: _____

Service Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone#: _____ Cell#: _____

Email: _____ Work#: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

\$100.00 New Development Connection Fee Received: _____

Customer agrees to comply with Village rules and regulations and to be responsible for all utilities provided until application for disconnection has been made according to Bylaw.

Meter Id #: _____ Meter Serial #: _____

Customer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Town Administrator: _____ Date: _____