#### **RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MILTON NO. 292**

#### BYLAW NO. 2021-05

A bylaw to fix the rates to be charged for the use and consumption of water and to fix the rates to be charged by way of rent or service charge for the use of sewer.

The council of the Rural Municipality of Milton No. 292 in the Province of Saskatchewan enacts as follows:

### 1. INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 "ACCOUNT" means the individual billings and payments for water, and sewer services
- 1.2 "CONSUMER" means any person or persons who occupies a premises and makes applications for water and sewer utility services, and for whom a utility account is established.
- 1.3 "PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICE" or "UTILITY SERVICE" means all water and sewer services
- 1.4 "MUNICIPALITY" means the Rural Municipality of Milton No. 292, in the Province of Saskatchewan

#### 2. APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES

- 2.1. All persons desiring to be supplied with water and sewer services shall make an application to the municipal office at their earliest convenience. Each application shall be accompanied by a security deposit of \$100.00 and a connection fee of \$25.00.
- 2.2. Utility meters will be read and service connections turned on and off on regular working days, Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Water will be turned on by a municipal employee or the water treatment plant operator only if a responsible adult representative of the consumer is present to check for leaks or open taps. The consumer must be present to allow a municipal employee access to the meter for a reading, unless the meter has a remote recorder attached.
- 2.3. All property owners are responsible for all utility expenses to their property and will be invoiced if rental homes are occupied or if they are unoccupied and the water is connected.

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### 3. PUBLIC UTILITY RATES

- 3.1 The charges to be paid by the water consumer whose water service has been turned on shall be set out in Schedule 1, attached to and forming a part of this bylaw.
- 3.2 Persons who own or occupy premises drained or that are required to be drained into the sewer system shall pay for such services in accordance with the rates set out in Schedule 1, attached to and forming a part of this bylaw.

#### 4. LIMITATIONS OF WATER USAGE

4.1 The Municipality may ration or limit the amount of water supplied to any or all consumers should circumstances deem to warrant such action.

#### 5. WATER METER INSTALLATIONS, REPLACEMENT AND SERVICE

- 5.1 Every consumer shall ensure that the remote read out unit installed on the premises is readily accessible and free of obstructions in order for a municipal employee to access the unit.
- 5.2 Every consumer shall ensure that the water meter installed in each premises is readily accessible and free of obstructions in order for a municipal employee to access the unit in the event that a reading cannot be obtained from the remote reader. Every consumer shall at all times properly protect the service pipes and fixtures from frost or other damage. Every consumer shall be responsible to the municipality for costs incurred by it arising out of any damage to such meters.
- 5.3 The municipality will repair or replace water meters and/or remote read out units where necessary due to normal wear, at no charge to the consumer. Where repair or replacement of water meters or remote read out unit is necessary due to physical damage to the meter and/or the remote reader caused by the consumer's negligence, a new meter and/or remote read out unit will be installed by the municipality and the consumer will be charged the cost of the meter and/or remote read out unit plus the cost of labour to do the work.

### 6 SERVICE PERIOD AND PAYMENT OF UTILITY SERVICES

6.1 Water meters shall be read during the first business days of April, July, October and January.

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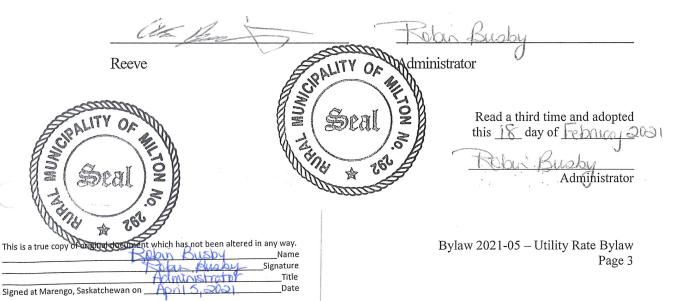
- 6.3 Accounts billed will be due upon receipt and shall be paid no later than 30 days from the date on which the bill was issued.
- 6.4 Accounts may be paid via mail, in person at the Municipal office during regular business hours or by preauthorized payments directly withdrawn from consumer's accounts.
- 6.5 Account holders for which cheque payments are returned by the financial institution for any reason shall be charged a fee of \$25.00 per returned cheque.

# 7. PENALTIES

- 7.1 The holder of any account not paid in full within 30 days of the billing date will be issued a warning letter. Fifteen days after the date of mailing the warning letter the water service will be disconnected or in the case where water cannot be disconnected the amount owing will be added to the municipal tax roll.
- 7.2 When water service is disconnected due to non payment of accounts service will not be turned on until all arrears have been paid together with a fee of \$50.00 to cover expenses of disconnection and connection.
- 8. Bylaw 2020-03 is hereby repealed.

#### 9. EFFECTIVE DATE

9.1 The rates, charges, tolls or rents contained in this bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the day of approval being issued by the Saskatchewan Municipal Board.



#### SCHEDULE 1 TO BYLAW NO. 2021-05

- 1. BASIC WATER CONNECTION CHARGE (PER MONTH)
  - (a) Residential (within Division 7) \$ 64.25
  - (b) Residential/Acreages (outside Division 7) \$128.50
  - (c) Commercial (within or outside Division 7) \$160.65

# 2. WATER CONSUMPTION CHARGE (PER MONTH)

- (a) Residential (within Division 7) \$0.006/gallon
- (b) Residential/Acreages (outside Division 7) \$0.006/gallon
- (c) Commercial (within or outside Division 7) \$0.006/gallon

# 3. ADDITIONAL RATE FOR PROPERTIES WITH NO WATER METER INSTALLED OR NOT FUNCTIONING (PER MONTH)

- (a) Residential (within Division 7) \$32.50
- (b) Residential/Acreages (outside Division 7) \$32.50
- (c) Commercial (within or outside Division 7) \$32.50

# 4. MONTHLY RATES FOR SEWER SERVICE

- (a) Residential (within Division 7) \$25.50
- (b) Residential/Acreages (outside Division 7) \$25.50
- (c) Commercial (within or outside Division 7) \$25.50

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# RM OF MILTON NO. 292 – WATER AND SEWER RATES

*That* the Committee approve the water and sewer rates, excluding the management fees, as outlined in the **Rural Municipality of Milton No. 292's Bylaw No. 2021-05** in accordance with subsection 23(3) of *The Municipalities Act*.

# SASKATCHEWAN MUNICIPAL BOARD LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF: APR 0 8 2021 CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

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