

BYLAW NO. 2016-639
BEING A BY-LAW OF THE TOWN OF CORONATION, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVYING AND COLLECTING OF CHARGES AND RATES FOR WATER SERVICE, SEWER SERVICE AND GARBAGE SERVICE.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, hereinafter referred to as the "M.G.A." provides for Council to pass bylaws, and;

WHEREAS, The Municipal Council of the Town of Coronation deems it necessary to raise such funds as required in order to finance these services;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Coronation, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

General

- 1.1 **SHORT TITLE**: This bylaw may be cited as the "Utility Rates Bylaw".
- 1.2 That the rates set forth in this Bylaw are subject to review and adjustment from time to time as Council sees fit.

Part I: Regulations

- 2.1 That all Residential, Commercial, Institutional and Industrial facilities shall be charged a monthly fee for garbage services as prescribed in this bylaw. All Residential, Commercial, Institutional and Industrial facilities using water will be required to connect to the Town's water system within 90 days of the service being brought to their property line.
- 2.2 All Residential, Commercial, Institutional and Industrial facilities with sewage systems will be required to connect to the Town's Sewage system within 90 days of the service being brought to their property line.
- 2.3 All water services provided by the Town shall be metered. When an application for a service is approved the consumer will then be responsible for the costs of installing an appropriate meter, including a remote reading device in accordance with the current appropriate regulations and codes. The consumer shall be responsible for damages to the remote reading device that may result from other than normal wear and tear. The Town will provide the water meter.
- 2.4 Persons, firms or corporations not within the Town limits, but within close proximity may apply for garbage collection at the rate charged to the Town by the service provider. Approval for collection shall be at the discretion of the Council or Town Manager.
- 2.5 The Council of the Town shall have the right to decide into what classification any building or occupant belongs.
- 2.6 Persons, firms or corporations being the registered owner or purchaser of a property which is serviced by municipal water connection and/or sewer main connection shall be charged a monthly charge as prescribed in this bylaw.

- 2.7 That the fees hereinafter listed shall be charged as a monthly fee based on the type of service being provided, and shall be billed on a monthly basis.
- 2.8 Rates for water service are as per **Schedule "A"** attached hereto and forming part of this Bylaw.
- 2.9 Rates for sewer service are as per **Schedule "B"** attached hereto and forming part of this Bylaw.
- 2.10 Rates for garbage and recycling collection are as per **Schedule "C"** attached hereto and forming part of this Bylaw.
- 2.11 These rates shall not be subject to GST.
- 2.12 The rates shall be as determined by Council, and any specific site will be judged by Council as to the rates the site will be charged.
- 2.13 Where the occupant is the owner or purchaser of the property, no deposit for utility service is required upon initial connection. Should the owner fall behind on payment of their utility bill, any amount that is thirty (30) or more days past due may be transferred to the owner's tax account. Should the services be discontinued due to lack of payment of the account, then the Town reserves the right to request a deposit before the services are resumed.
- 2.14 The Owner of the property shall be responsible for the amount owing for any utility service provided by the Town or through a service contracted by the Town.
- 2.15 There shall be a charge for a service call to turn the water off or on, as prescribed in **Schedule "A"**.
- 2.16 The water service may be discontinued for default of payment of rates, and shall not be reinstated until the account has been paid in full or suitable arrangements made. A charge for reconnection shall be charged as prescribed in **Schedule "A"**. Said charge shall not be subject to GST.
- 2.17 A penalty, as prescribed in **Schedule "A"**, shall be added to the balance of any utility account unpaid as of the 25th day of each month.
- 2.18 Payments of monthly utility charges are accepted at the Town Office, Alberta Treasury Branch – Coronation or through electronic banking services with the Alberta Treasury Branch and Toronto Dominion Bank.
- 2.19 Utility service charges in default shall constitute a debt owing to the Town and shall be subject to collection by any legal process the Town deems necessary to recover said debt.
- 2.20 Balances of Utility Accounts which are 3 months or more in arrears as at December 31st shall be transferred to the Tax Roll of the property.

Part II Other

3.1 Bylaw No. 2015-633 is repealed at the passing of this bylaw.

3.2 This bylaw comes into effect on the date of final passing.

Schedules "A", "B" and "C" are a part of this bylaw.

The invalidity of any provision of this Bylaw shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

First Reading given on the 11th day of April, 2016.

Second Reading given on the 11th day of April, 2016.

Third and final Reading given on the 11th day of April, 2016.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

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SCHEDULE "A"

WATER RATES:

1. Water Service Fees:	<u>Monthly Charges:</u>
a. Flat Rate Charge for all active water accounts.	\$25.00 per month
b. Consumption of water (metered or estimated use)	\$2.60 per cubic meter
2. Regional Water Commission Debenture Surcharge	\$7.00 per Month
- All Residential, Commercial, Industrial & Institutional property owners must pay this fee.	
3. Water System Capital Reserve	\$12.00 per Month
- All Residential, Commercial, Industrial & Institutional property owners must pay this fee.	
4. Bulk Water Sales	\$6.00 per cubic meter

DEPOSITS:

1. Delinquent owners may be charged a refundable deposit of \$100.00

PENALTIES:

1. 2% interest shall be charged on the outstanding balance on account each month, on a cumulative basis.

MISCELLANEOUS FEES:

1. Voluntary connection and/or disconnection	\$60.00 to disconnect and \$60.00 to reconnect water services
2. Reconnection fees due to non-payment	\$60.00 payable prior to reconnection plus payment of outstanding of account charges
3. NSF cheque fee	\$25.00 each occurrence
4. Request to relocate water meter	\$40.00

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Schedule "B"

SEWER RATES:

Monthly Charges:

1. **Residential Dwellings, Manufactured Homes, Churches.** **\$13.50 per Month**
- **All** Residential Dwelling, Manufactured Home and Church property owners must pay this fee.

2. **All other commercial, Industrial, Institutional locations** **Minimum \$21.00 or 28% of their water consumption, whichever is greater per month.**
- **All** Other Commercial, Industrial & Institutional property owners must pay this fee.

3. **Sewage Lagoon & System Construction Reserve** **\$5.00 per Month**
- **All** Residential, Commercial, Industrial & Institutional property owners must pay this fee.

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Schedule "C"

GARBAGE & RECYCLING COLLECTION:

Monthly Charges:

Residential Sites:

\$15.50 per month

- single family residential customers which have once weekly "hand-pick" garbage collection and bi-weekly recycling collection

Small Commercial Sites:

\$15.50 per month

- Non-residential business customers which have once weekly "hand-pick" garbage collection and bi-weekly recycling collection

Large Commercial Sites – one pickup/week:

\$120.00 per month

- Non-residential business sites and multi-family residential sites that have sufficient waste to warrant the use of a single dumpster with one collection per week

Large Commercial Sites – two pickups/week:

\$210.00 per month

- Non-residential business sites and multi-family residential sites that have sufficient waste to warrant the use of a single dumpster with two collections per week
- Non-residential business sites and multi-family residential sites that have one waste dumpster **and** one recycling dumpster collection per week

RECYCLING BINS:

- Replacement bins or additional bins can be purchased for:

\$15.00 per bin

All Residential property owners must pay the appropriate garbage collection fee

All Commercial, Industrial & Institutional property owners must pay the appropriate garbage collection fee, unless a **non-residential commercial dumpster** has been rented **privately**.