

## 2007 Water and Wastewater Charges

On Wednesday, April 11, 2007, Council reviewed several options for the 2007 imposition of water and wastewater charges based on consumption of water. Council passed the following resolution:

THAT Council receive Staff Report FS.07.15 Water and Wastewater Rates; and  
THAT Council authorize proceeding to an Open House on Tuesday, April 17 2007, for the purpose of presenting proposed water and wastewater rates information to the public; and  
THAT the Open House information be based on Option # 3, 25% asset replacement, and Alternative # 2, tiered rates, as presented today by Craig Binning, Hemson Consulting Ltd.; and  
THAT subsequent to the Open House for property owners Council will receive a report from staff containing feedback from the public information session and Council will proceed to pass by-laws authorizing the imposition of water and sewer charges.

The rates referred to in Alternative # 2, Option # 3 are as follows:

### Water

- Tiered monthly charges

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Fixed Charge Per Month</u>
5/8"(Typical Residential)	\$ 15
3/4	\$ 17
1"	\$ 21
1 1/2 "	\$ 27
2"	\$ 44
3"	\$168
4"	\$214
6"	\$321

- Tiered rates based on: 4 tiers with increments of \$0.15
- Monthly consumption rates:

<u>TIERS</u>	<u>Option 3</u>
0 – 15 m3	\$1.35
16 – 30 m3	\$1.50
31 – 45 m3	\$1.65
Over 45 m3	\$1.80

## Wastewater

- Tiered monthly charges

Meter Size	Fixed Charge Per Month
5/8"(Typical Residential)	\$ 20
3/4	\$ 22
1"	\$ 28
1 1/2 "	\$ 36
2"	\$ 58
3"	\$218
4"	\$278
6"	\$417

- Tiered rates based on: 4 Tiers with increments of \$0.15
- Monthly rates based on water consumption:

<u>TIERS</u>	<u>Option 3</u>
0 – 15 m3	\$1.544
16 – 30 m3	\$1.694
31 – 45 m3	\$1.844
Over 45 m3	\$1.994

Other proposed systems-related charges (most charges currently in effect):

	<b>Rate</b>	
<b>Water</b>		
Water service connection application/inspection	\$ 50.00	per connection
Water service installation re-inspection	\$ 50.00	per each inspection subsequent to the first inspection
Water service disconnection charge	\$ 50.00	per connection
Water service reconnection charge	\$ 50.00	per connection applied to outstanding balance on current billing
Late payment charge on unpaid water billing	5%	
Collection charge - deliver notice of disconnection	\$ 25.00	per connection/billing
Administrative charge - change of ownership	\$ 30.00	per service
Temporary removal and reinstallation of meter	\$ 50.00	per removal and reinstallation
Testing meter for accuracy	\$ 50.00	per 5/8" water meter test
Water service disconnection inspection	\$ 50.00	per inspection
Hydrant maintenance fee	\$ 96.00	per hydrant per year
5/8" water meter and appurtenances	\$ 220.00	per meter
Landscape watering	\$ 50.00	per permit

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Landscape watering deposit	\$ 50.00	per permit
Use of water during restricted/prohibited time		
First instance	\$ 150.00	per instance
Second and each subsequent instance	\$ 300.00	per each subsequent instance
Utility certificate - account status	\$ 50.00	per account

### **Wastewater**

Sewage service connection application	\$ 50.00	per connection
Sewage service installation re-inspection	\$ 50.00	per each inspection subsequent to the first inspection
Late payment charge	5%	applied to the outstanding balance on current billing
Collection charge (included in water collection charge)		per connection/billing
Administrative charge (included in water admin charge)		per service
Service disconnection inspection	\$ 50.00	per inspection

**An Open House will be held on April 17, 2007, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Town of The Blue Mountains Municipal Offices to provide information to the public.**

A copy of the Council Presentation by HEMSON Consulting Ltd. is also available on this website. The presentation document includes information related to the structure and amount of the water and wastewater user fee options.