

**BYLAW NO. 528-24  
VILLAGE OF HUGHENDEN  
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

**A BYLAW OF THE VILLAGE OF HUGHENDEN IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA BY THE  
AUTHORITY OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT – PART 2 DIVISION 1, SECTION 7  
–(f) AND (g) TO ESTABLISH WATER, SEWER AND GARBAGE RATES IN THE VILLAGE  
OF HUGHENDEN, Province of Alberta.**

**WHEREAS:** The Council of the Village of Hughenden, duly assembled, has deemed it expedient to establish water, sewer, garbage and landfill rates in the Village of Hughenden relative to current costs of operations.

**THEREFORE:** The Council of the Village of Hughenden, duly assembled, does enact as follows;

**1. INVOICING SCHEDULE**

Utility invoices shall be mailed or emailed to the client within the first five business days of the beginning of each month and must reflect the costs to be incurred during that same month. Invoices will become due by the 20<sup>th</sup> day of that month. All utility accounts **MUST** be in the name of the homeowner. If a renter is in place, the Village of Hughenden will issue a duplicate invoice to the renter if requested by the homeowner.

**2. ARREARS**

Utilities will be deemed to be in arrears as at the due date as stated on the invoice. A penalty fee of 2.5% per month will be levied on the full balance each month until the invoice is paid in full.

**3. COLLECTION OF OVERDUE ACCOUNTS**

Homeowners with outstanding utility invoices of greater than \$400.00 at the due date of December of each year will receive a notification that the outstanding invoice will be added to the homeowner tax roll on January 1, of the following year.

**4. CURB STOP VALVES**

Due to the age of the curb valves and at the discretion of the Public Works Foreman, curb stop valves will not be turned ON or OFF during the winter months where the temperature is below freezing, unless it is deemed an emergency.

- (i) **SEASONAL FEE:** C/C valve shut off and turn on (minimum of 4 months) of \$75.00 to shut off and \$75.00 to turn on.

**5. UTILITY RATES**

Council does hereby establish and authorize the following rates for:

**(i) WATER:**

- (a) Residential:** Domestic water use at a flat rate of \$80.00 per month.
- (b) Commercial:** Domestic water use at a flat rate of \$80.00 per month.
- (c) Municipal District of Provost:** Charged according to the commercial rate scale noted above.
- (d) Hughenden Public School:** Domestic water use at a flat rate of \$486.00 per month for all the water used in the school and its outbuildings.
- (e) House of Worship:** All Churches, Hughenden Public Library, Hughenden Golden Circle and Hughenden Community Hall, domestic water use at a flat rate of \$50.00 per month.
- (f) Wash-wand Bay:** Domestic water use at a flat fee of \$5.00 for 5 minutes of service at the bulk water station.
- (g) Bulk Water Station:** Domestic water at retail rate of \$8.00 per metric cube. Domestic water at a wholesale rate of \$6.00 per metric cube. At the discretion of the Chief Administration Officer, rate can be reduced to \$4.00 per metric cube on special contract proposal authorized by way of "contract only basis". In the event that the bulk water station is not available or suitable for a contractor, bulk water will be sold from a fire hydrant at a rate of \$8.00 per metric meter plus a \$20.00 service charge for hook up unless the contractor falls under the rates noted above.

**(ii) SEWER/LAGOON:**

- (a) Residential:** Services will be charged a flat fee of \$26.00 per month.
- (b) Commercial:** Services will be charged a flat fee of \$26.00 per month.
- (c) M.D. of Provost:** Services will be charged at \$26.00 per month.
- (d) Hughenden Public School:** Services will be charged at \$286.00 per month.
- (e) House of Worship:** All Churches, Hughenden Public Library, Hughenden Golden Circle and Hughenden Community Hall, services will be charged at \$26.00 per month.

**(iii) GARBAGE/LANDFILL:**

The Garbage pickup fees shall be established as follows:

- (a) Residential** Services shall be charged at \$21.00 per calendar month, no discounts will be given if residential services have other garbage contracts.

(b) **Commercial** Services that do not have other commercial garbage contracts will be charged a rate of \$21.00 per calendar month.

**6. CAPITAL FEES**

(i) **Water Capital Fee:** rate of \$1.50 per month.

(ii) **Sewer/Lagoon Capital Fee:** rate of \$1.50 per month.

7. **THAT** this bylaw shall take effect on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the following month of the third and final reading thereof.

8. **THIS** Bylaw rescinds any previous bylaws regarding Utility Rates.

9. **THAT** this bylaw shall take effect on the date of the third and final reading thereof.

**READ a First time** on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D. 2024.

**READ a Second time** on this-----, A.D. 2024.

**READ a Third and Final time** on this-----, A.D. 2024.

Signed this -----, 2024.

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Mayor

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Chief Administrative Officer