

TOWN OF LUMSDEN

BYLAW NO. 2025-08

A BYLAW TO REGULATE THE OPERATION OF THE TOWN'S WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS

INTRODUCTION

WHEREAS the Council may regulate the distribution and use of water in the town; and

WHEREAS it is deemed necessary that the properties or premises drained or required by bylaw to be drained into the sanitary sewer system shall be charged a reasonable rent or service charge for the use of the said sewer;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Lumsden, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

SERVICE SUPPLY & CONNECTION

1. All persons desiring to be supplied with water from the municipal water supply system shall make a "*Connection Application*" to the officials of the Town at the Town Office.
2. The Council may, if it appears necessary, curtail or limit the use of water either generally or for a period of time or for a period of time each day or for any area in the town. Such power may be exercised by resolution authorizing the Mayor, Deputy Mayor or other officials of the town by proclamation to impose and enforce such restrictions as are contained in the said proclamation.
3. All connection fees as set out in Section 7 of this bylaw shall be deemed payable and under normal conditions paid when the "*Connection Application*" is filed with the Municipal Office. Should the fees not be collected at the time, for whatever reason, the fee may be added to the property taxes for that location and form part of the water arrears as permitted by legislation.
4. Every consumer supplied with or drawing water from the municipal water supply system is hereby prohibited from supplying, giving away, or selling such water to any other persons.

METER DEPOSIT & READINGS

5. Each "*Connection Application*" submitted by a non-property owner (*by a renter*) shall be accompanied by the payment of a meter deposit in the amount of \$190.00 (hereinafter referred to as a *Utility Consumer Deposit*). Property owners are exempted from paying the Utility Consumer Deposit.

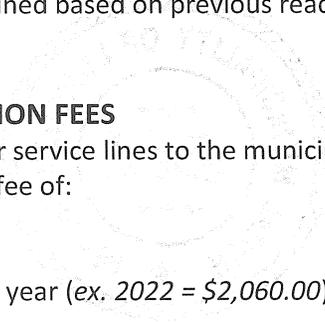
Deposits for meters larger than 3/4 inch shall be calculated at the actual cost of the meter.

The Utility Consumer Deposit shall be credited to the final water and sewer account and any credit balance shall be refunded to the Utility Consumer.

6. Water meters shall be read quarterly. When actual meter readings are not obtained, an estimated reading may be determined based on previous readings.

WATER CONNECTION FEES AND SEWER CONNECTION FEES

7. Each application to connect water and/or sewer service lines to the municipal system(s) must be accompanied by a one-time fee of:
Water Connection Fee: \$2,000.00 (2021 rate)
Sewer Connection Fee: \$2,000.00 (2021 rate)
The rate shall increase by 3% on January 1 each year (ex. 2022 = \$2,060.00)



SERVICE INTERRUPTION OR DISCONNECTION

- 8. No person shall open or close a curb stop to supply or shut off the water to a premise except the person authorized by the Chief Administrative Officer to do so.

ACCOUNT BILLING

- 9. Accounts for water service and/or sewer service shall cover a period of three successive months and shall be rendered on or before the fifteenth day of the month next following such period.
 - a. 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 said period of thirty days, the water service may be cut off and subject to any reconnection fee applicable in accordance with the Water and Sewer Rates Bylaw of the municipality. The municipality may, rather than disconnecting the water service, choose to transfer the amount in arrears to the property tax account for each specific property.
 - b. Prior to disconnecting the service due to non-payment, property owners and renters will be notified by registered mail. To recoup these expenses, a fee will be added to the utility account in an amount equal to registered mail postage plus 20%.
 - c. Where service is provided for any portion of a month or for one (1) or two (2) months in a quarter, monthly usage will be calculated proportionately.
 - d. One or more payments may be made in advance of the quarterly billing.
 - e. Bulk Water Sales shall be on a metered basis at the Town’s Public Works Shop.

PENALTIES

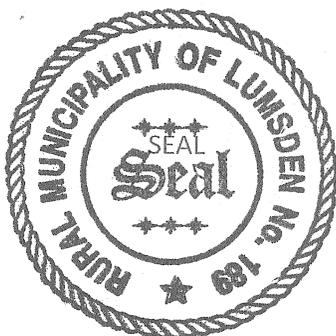
- 10. When a water and sewer billing remains unpaid thirty-one (31) days past the date of mailing, the account shall be considered past due, and as such, subject to a penalty as stated in accordance with the Water and Sewer Rates Bylaw of the municipality.
- 11. Any person found guilty of an infraction of any of the provisions of this bylaw shall be liable to the penalties provided in the General Penalty Bylaw of the town.
- 12. Bylaw No. 2021-07 is hereby repealed.
- 13. This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the final day of passing.

Readings

Read a first time this 25th day of November, 2025.

Read a second time this 25th day of November, 2025.

Read a third time, adopted, signed and sealed this 25th day of November, 2025.





Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer