

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRE HASTINGS
BY-LAW NUMBER 2021-25**

Being a by-law to establish utility rates for water and sewer services related to the operation systems within the urban areas of Centre Hastings for 2021-2026

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 391(1) Part XII of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that the Council of a local municipality may by by-law prescribe and charge rates for certain services;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Centre Hastings desires to establish water and/or sewage services rates that may be charged, by volume usage and/or flat rate usage and;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Centre Hastings deems it appropriate to establish rates for water and sanitary services in the urban areas of the Municipality including estimates for increased operating expenses and costs in support of an ongoing review of systems, plans and related legislation;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Centre Hastings deems it to be expedient and necessary to require the installation of water meters in order to establish water and/or sewage services rates by volume usage of water;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 391(2) Part XII of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001 C.25 a Municipality which imposes a fee or charge under Subsection (1) for capital costs related to sewage or water services or activities may be imposed on persons not receiving an immediate benefit for the services or activities but who will receive a benefit at some later point in time;

AND WHEREAS the amount of fee or charges for the use of a sewage system or the consumption of water shall not exceed the cost of providing the sewage system or the water system;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Centre Hastings hereby enacts as follows:

- 1) All water and sewer charges shall be billed either monthly or bi-monthly to the owners of properties at the discretion of the Finance department pursuant to the rates as set out in Schedule "A" attached.
- 2) Owners that are not connected to either service, but have lines running past their property will be charged 50% of the minimum for one or both services, depending upon availability.

- 3) Owners having only one service will be charged full minimum plus overage for that service. In addition, they will be charged 50% of the minimum for the service not in use.
- 4) Meters shall be installed and removed only by employees of the municipality unless written permission is obtained from the Corporation. Appropriate charges will be levied upon the property owners and/or property for materials and labour.
- 5) Any curbstop shall be operated only by employees of the municipality and any individual found to have operated the curbstop will be subject to fines and penalties.
- 6) Non-payment of any sewer or water charges by the due date set out on the utility bill shall be subject to a penalty equal to 1.25% per month on the outstanding balance.
- 7) A sewer or water charge imposed upon any owner or occupant of land is a lien or charge upon the land, and, if the rate or any part thereof remains unpaid after the due date, the amount unpaid, including any penalty that is due and payable, may be collected in the same way as municipal taxes are collectable or otherwise, as provided by law.
- 8) By-Law No. 2017-03 is hereby repealed.

**READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS
17th DAY OF March, 2021.**

THOMAS DELINE, MAYOR

JENNIFER NIELSEN, DEPUTY CLERK

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRE HASTINGS
UTILITY (WATER AND WASTEWATER) RATES**

SCHEDULE A

The bi-monthly rates shall be as follows:

Water							
Meter Size	Cubic Meters Included in Base Charge	Bi-Monthly Charge					
		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
5/8"	24	79.68	84.62	89.87	95.44	101.36	107.64
3/4"	48	159.36	169.24	179.73	190.88	202.71	215.28
1"	96	318.72	338.48	359.47	381.75	405.42	430.56
1 1/4"	144	478.08	507.72	539.20	572.63	608.13	645.84
1 1/2"	192	637.44	676.96	718.93	763.51	810.84	861.12
2"	432	1,434.24	1,523.16	1,617.60	1,717.89	1,824.40	1,937.51
3"	864	2,868.48	3,046.33	3,235.20	3,435.78	3,648.80	3,875.02
Volumetric/Overage Charge		0.66	0.70	0.74	0.79	0.84	0.89

Wastewater							
Meter Size		Bi-Monthly Charge					
		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
5/8"		79.68	79.68	79.68	79.68	79.68	79.68
3/4"		159.36	159.36	159.36	159.36	159.36	159.36
1"		318.72	318.72	318.72	318.72	318.72	318.72
1 1/4"		478.08	478.08	478.08	478.08	478.08	478.08
1 1/2"		637.44	637.44	637.44	637.44	637.44	637.44
2"		1,434.24	1,434.24	1,434.24	1,434.24	1,434.24	1,434.24
3"		2,868.48	2,868.48	2,868.48	2,868.48	2,868.48	2,868.48
Volumetric/Overage Charge		0.66	0.66	0.66	0.66	0.66	0.66

Service Fee rates are outlined in the Municipality's annual User Fee By-law.