



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GODERICH
BY-LAW NO 87 OF 2008**

A by-law to amend By-Law #38 of 2001, being a by-law to regulate the Town of Goderich Waterworks Utilities to consolidate the waterworks utilities regulations.

WHEREAS the Town of Goderich passed By-Law #38 of 2001 on the 23rd day of April, 2001;

AND WHEREAS the Goderich Environmental Committee on behalf of Council prepared a report entitled Town of Goderich Report on Water and Sewage Service Rate Structure dated April 25, 2005, which was prepared by B. M. Ross & Associates Ltd.;

AND WHEREAS the Goderich Environmental Committee met on June 29th, 2005, and recommended that Council adopt the rate study and consider implementing the rate increase over a minimum period of five years;

AND WHEREAS Council dealt with the recommendation of the Environmental Committee at their meeting of July 18th, 2005 and adopted the rate study;

AND WHEREAS Council received correspondence dated July 8th, 2005, from Steve Burns of B. M. Ross & Associates Ltd. concerning possible incremental rates;

AND WHEREAS Council approved incremental rates over a five year period requiring five increases of 12.5% per year for water and 11.8% per year for sewage plus the rate of inflation;

AND WHEREAS By-Law #97 of 2005, By-Law #89 of 2006 and By-Law #39 of 2007 have increased the rate for three of the five increases;

AND WHEREAS the C.P.I. for 2007 was 2.4%;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Goderich wishes to amend Schedule "A" of By-Law #38 of 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GODERICH ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Schedule "A" of By-Law #38 of 2001, be amended as attached hereto;
2. That this by-law shall come into being and take effect on all bills issued on and after September 1, 2008.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS ELEVENTH DAY OF AUGUST 2008.

MAYOR

CLERK

SCHEDULE #1

**SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 38 of 2001
Amended by By-Law 87 of 2008**

1. Fees for turning the water supply on or off to a private or public water service, other than a new service or for the purpose of short time repair (less than 7 days) to the water service/system provided that the turn off or on is during regular working hours.
- 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. - Monday to Friday \$84.78 Flat rate for each on or off.
 - Any other time \$254.37 Flat rate for each on or off.

2. That the following rates be established for any person, firm or corporation in the Town of Goderich who uses the water being supplied by the Corporation of the Town of Goderich.

- a) For each household unit, the sum of \$32.13 net per month,
- b) For each industrial and commercial user, except those who obtain metered water, in the Town of Goderich, the sum of \$32.13 net per month,
- c) For each Home Occupation user, the sum of \$16.47 per month in addition to the household unit charge;
- d) For each user who obtains metered water from the Town of Goderich the following charges will apply monthly;

1 st 250 cu. metres	\$1.09/cu.m./month
Next 500 cu. metres	\$0.86/cu.m./month
Next 1000 cu. metres	\$0.80/cu.m./month
Balance	\$0.70/cu.m./month

Subject to a minimum charge of \$32.13 per month

For Multiple Unit Residential – which are metered (2 units to 5 units) the owner, upon application will be charged \$27.96 per month per residential unit plus a meter charge as set out below, plus \$1.09 per cubic meter for water consumed over 30 cubic meter/month/unit.

- e) For multiple-unit residential – metered (6 units or more) the owner, upon application will be charged \$11.20 per residential unit plus a meter charge as set out below plus \$1.09 per cubic meter of water consumed. Multi-unit residential applications, with more than one building, will be required to pay one flat rate charge monthly for utility room purposes, per connection to the watermain. This is to be in addition to the residential charges.
- f) All customers receiving metered water will pay monthly meter service charges as follows:

<u>WATER METER SERVICE CHARGE</u>	per month
12.7 mm, 15.8 mm, 19 mm	\$2.94
25.4 mm	\$5.92
38.1 mm	\$14.76
50.8 mm	\$17.67
76.2 mm	\$47.09
101.6 mm	\$73.57
152.4 mm	\$103.00
203.2 mm	\$147.14

- g) All customers with fire suppression sprinkler services will pay sprinkler service charges monthly as follows:

<u>SPRINKLER SERVICE CHARGE</u>	per month
50.8 mm	\$12.31
76.2 mm	\$23.52
101.6 mm	\$70.64
127 mm	\$94.16
152.4 mm	\$117.66
203.2 mm	\$176.53
254 mm	\$240.10

- h) The Town of Goderich will pay for fire protection charge of \$449.37 per hydrant annually.
 - i) The Town of Goderich will pay an annual charge per fountain or garden tap of \$32.13.
 - j) Existing non residential applications combined with residential applications that find that the separation of these users, in the opinion of the Administrator, is not practical the following shall apply. All the water provided will be metered and billed as per this schedule however, the non-residential component will be billed for all the water provided through the meter less 30 cubic meters multiplied by the number of residential units contained in the multi-use application. This billing shall not be less than the combined flat rate charges would be for the total number of non-residential & residential units located at the application.
3. Water service inspection charge
- Any owner wishing to have a connection made to the water main shall pay the following inspection/connection charge
- a) For 19 mm water lines \$423.94 ea
 - b) For all other size services \$169.58 ea
(plus the actual cost of the connection & materials)
4. **Interest on overdue accounts will be charged at a rate of 1.5% compounded monthly, to an equivalent of 19.56% per annum.**
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6. Goderich Hydro shall be paid for attending to the billing and collection of the water rates levied at a rate, as set from time to time.
7. All proceeds from the collection of the water rates by Goderich Hydro shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Corporation of the Town of Goderich within thirty (30) days of the billing date, after having deducted therefrom, collection charges as authorized in the preceding paragraphs.
8. Annually all surplus funds collected by this by-law, in excess of the amounts (including allocated administration) needed for operating and capital purposes of the Water Treatment Plant and the water system, shall be placed in the Water Expansion reserve fund to be used by the Town of Goderich to repair, maintain or expand the Water Treatment Plant or water system in the Town of Goderich.
9. That By-Law shall come into being and take effect on all bills issued on or after the 1st day of September 2008.
10. That By-Law No. 39 of 2007 be hereby repealed on the 1st day of September 2008.