

**THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOUISE
PILOT MOUND UTILITY
BY-LAW NO 2023-08
WATER & WASTEWATER UTILITY RATES**

BEING a By-law of the Municipality of Louise to establish new water and wastewater rates for the Pilot Mound Water and Wastewater Utility.

WHEREAS the Municipality of Louise has undertaken a water and wastewater rate study for the Pilot Mound Utility that indicates water and wastewater rates require to be increased;

AND WHEREAS *The Municipal Act*, S.M. 1996, C58, states in part:

- 232(1)** A Council may pass by-laws for municipal purposes respecting the following matters:
(1) public utilities;
- 232(2)** Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), a council may in a by-law passed under this Division
(d) establish fees or other charges for services, activities or things provided or done by the municipality or for the use of property under the ownership, direction, management or control of the municipality;
- 250(2)** Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), a municipality may for municipal purposes do the following:
(c) acquire, establish, maintain and operate services, facilities and utilities;
- 252(1)** A municipality exercising powers in the nature of those referred to in clauses 250(2)(b),(c) and (e) may set terms and conditions in respect of users, including
(a) setting the rates or amounts of deposits, fees and other charges, and charging and collecting them;
(b) providing for a right of entry onto private property to determine compliance with other terms and conditions, to determine the amount of deposits, fees or other charges, or to disconnect a service; and
(c) discontinuing or disconnecting a service and refusing to provide the service to users who fail to comply with the terms and conditions.
- 252(2)** A charge referred to in clause (1)(a) may be collected by the municipality in the same manner as a tax may be collected or enforced under this Act.”

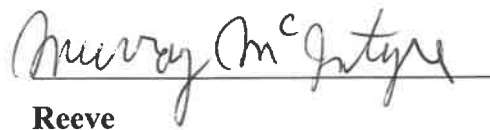
AND WHEREAS it is deemed advisable to provide rates for July 1, 2024, 2025, 2026 and thereafter to be paid by persons to whom water and wastewater services are supplied by the Pilot Mound Utility and to provide for the collection thereof;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Municipality of Louise, in session duly assembled hereby enacts as follows:

1. THAT all accounts for minimum quarterly charges for metered services as set forth in the Schedule of Quarterly Rates shall be billed quarterly. Consumers shall pay for water and wastewater service supplied to them by the Pilot Mound Utility within the Municipality of Louise at the rates and terms set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
2. THAT the Municipality of Louise reserves the right to discontinue the supply of water for fountains, jets, hoses and sprinklers, or to limit the hours for use of the same, whenever, at the discretion of Council it is in the best interests of the public to do so.
3. THAT no person, other than the Fire Chief or someone acting on their behalf, or a representative of the Municipality duly authorized in writing by the Municipality's Chief Administrative Officer, shall open or use any fire hydrant, either for construction purposes, street cleaning, or any other purpose.
4. THAT the meter shut off valve inside premises serviced with water by the Municipality shall be readily accessible and not used by the owner except for the protection of the premises. No person shall tamper with the meter or cause the water supply to bypass the meter. All pipes and valves inside the premises shall be kept in good repair by the owner or occupant. Any damage through neglect or otherwise, by a contractor for the owner or occupant, to the water service pipes from the street to the premises including the meter shall be the responsibility of the owner or occupant.
5. THAT no person shall wilfully or maliciously hinder or cause to hinder the Municipality or its representative in the exercise of their duties in relation to the operation and maintenance of the water or wastewater system.
6. THAT any person violating any provision of this by-law shall:
 - a. be guilty of an offence and, upon conviction, liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and costs for each violation;
 - b. be liable to the Municipality of Louise for any expense, loss or damage suffered by the Municipality as a result of the violation;
 - c. be liable for the repairs and costs of the repairs to the system as a result of the violation. If that person is in default of effecting the repairs, the Municipality may effect the repairs and charge the cost thereof to that persons, or add the cost to property taxes and collect those property taxes in the same manner as other property taxes.

7. THAT this by-law and rates for July 1, 2024, 2025, 2026, and thereafter, shall come into force and be effective on, from and after both approval of the Public Utilities Board of Manitoba and receipt of third and final reading thereof.
8. THAT By-law No. 2018-08 and its amendments are hereby repealed as of July 1, 2024 and upon final approval of this By-law by the Public Utilities Board of Manitoba.

PASSED AND ENACTED in Council duly assembled at the Council Chambers of the Municipality of Louise in the Province of Manitoba, this 10 July 2024.


Reeve


Chief Administrative Officer

READ a **First** time this 28th day of June 2023.

READ a **Second** time this 10th day of July 2024

READ a **Third** time and **PASSED** this 10th day of July 2024