

# **The Corporation of The Township of Stirling-Rawdon**

## **By-Law No. 1564-22**

### **A by-law to establish water and sewer rates and to repeal By-law 1210-18**

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**Whereas** Section 11(3) Municipal Act, 2001, R.S.O., c.25, (as amended) allows that a municipality may pass by-laws respecting public utilities which include water and sewage works and services; and

**Whereas** Section 39(1) and (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, authorizes municipalities to impose fees or charges on persons for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of the municipality and for capital costs payable by the municipality for sewage and water services which the municipality will provide to those persons after the fees and charges are imposed; and

**Whereas** Section 398 of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that any fees and charges imposed by the municipality constitute a debt of the person of the municipality and if the charge applies to all of the owners of the property and is unpaid it can be added to the tax roll and collected in the same manner as municipal taxes; and

**Whereas** Council of the Township of Stirling-Rawdon passed By-law 1210-18, being a by-law to establish water and sewer rates in the Corporation of the Township of Stirling-Rawdon on March 19, 2018; and

**Whereas** Council deems it expedient to repeal By-law 1210-18;

**Now Therefore** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stirling-Rawdon enacts as follows:

1. That a sewage service rate and water rate are hereby imposed upon the owners of land which are supplied with sewage and water service within the Township of Stirling-Rawdon and shall become due and payable in quarterly installments, with due dates in April, July, October, and January. Any outstanding balances or non-payment of the amount as noted, on the dates stated in accordance with this section shall constitute default.
2. That on all sewage service rate and water rate, which are in default after the due date of any installment thereof, a penalty of 2% of the amount due and unpaid on the first day of default shall be imposed and thereafter a penalty of 2% per month shall be added on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each and every month the default continues.

3. That fees shall be and are hereby implemented for water and sewer as set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
4. That this by-law shall take effect on final passing thereof.
5. That By-law 1210-18 is hereby repealed.

**Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 18th day of July, 2022.**

  
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**Robert Mullin, Mayor**

  
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**Kathryn Pearl, Clerk**

## **Schedule "A" to By-law No. 1564-22**

The Township of Stirling-Rawdon invoices quarterly and the base rate includes 24 cubic metres before any overage charge is applied to the account.

### **Rates**

#### **Residential House:**

Water Service Charge	= \$118.69 per quarter
Sewer Service Charge	= \$144.93 per quarter

#### **All Apartment Units:**

Water Service Charge	= \$89.02 per quarter
Sewer Service Charge	= \$129.94 per quarter

#### **All Commercial/Industrial Users:**

Water Service Charge	= \$89.02 per quarter
Sewer Service Charge	= \$129.94 per quarter

For any usage over and above 24 cubic meters the following rates shall apply:

**Water** - \$1.21 per cubic meter

**Sewer** - \$1.81 per cubic meter

### **Water Repairs and Temporary Hook-ups:**

If the Township needs to hook-up to your house for a temporary hook-up then the Township will read your meter at the time of temporary hook-up. Your bill going forward until the temporary connection is removed will be the average of your previous three months. If below the 24 cubic metres, then the regular service charge will apply only.

If your house needs a temporary hook-up because of a water leak on your system then we will read your meter at the time of the hook-up. Your bill going forward until the temporary connection is removed will be the average of the previous three months.

### **Properties without a Meter:**

If your house or business doesn't have a meter, then you will be charged the base rate.

### **Effective Date:**

These rates will be effective starting with the third quarter billing (July to September).

### **Rate Study Recommendation:**

As per the rate study completed by DFA Infrastructure International Inc. it is recommended a 5% increase in rates each year and therefore Council will need to review yearly and provide direction for updates prior to March 31<sup>st</sup>.