MUNICIPALITY OF OAKLAND-WAWANESA

BY-LAW NO. 03-2020

BEING a By-law of the Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa to amend Wawanesa Sewer and Water Rates By-law No. 519.

WHEREAS Section 232 of The Municipal Act provides as follows:

232 (1) "A council may pass by-laws for municipal purposes respecting the following matters:

(l) public utilities"; and

232 (2) Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), a council may in a bylaw 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;"

AND WHEREAS By-law No. 519 of the Village of Wawanesa established such a by-law;

AND WHEREAS due to the current Covid-19 Pandemic, cancellation of penalties for 2020 billing cycles with due dates commencing April 2020 and continuing until October 1, 2020, is desired;

NOW THEREFORE the council of the Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa enacts as follows:

1) That Wawanesa Water and Sewer Rates By-law No. 519 be amended by adding thereto at the end of Clause 5 in Schedule "A", the following words:

"with the exception of those bills for current charges having a due date between April 1, 2020 and October 1, 2020, which shall have no late payment charges assessed."

DONE AND PASSED by Council in meeting duly assembled this day of 2020.

Dave Kreklewich, Head of Council

Joni Swidnicki, Chief Administrative Officer

Read a first time this 21st day of April, 2020

Read a second time this 19th day of May, 2020

Read a third time this 19th day of May, 2020

SCHEDULE "A" The Village of Wawanesa Water and Sewer Rates By-Law No. 519 as amended by By-law No. 03-2020

Schedule of Quarterly Rates:

1. Commodity rates per M.G.

	Water	Sewer	Water and Sewer
All water consumption	\$8.30	\$7.25	\$15.55

2. Minimum Charges, Quarterly

Notwithstanding the Commodity rates set forth in paragraph 1 hereof all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges set out below, which will include water allowances indicated:

(a) <u>Water and Sewer Customers</u>

Meter	Group	Water	Customer	Commodity	Charges	Total
Size	Capacity	Included	Service			Quarterly
	Ratio	<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Charge</u>	Water	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
5/8"	1	3,000	\$15.65	\$24.90	\$21.75	\$62.30
3/4"	2	6,000	\$15.65	\$49.80	\$43.50	\$108.95
1"	4	12,000	\$15.65	\$99.60	\$87.00	\$202.25
1 1/2"	10	30,000	\$15.65	\$249.00	\$217.50	\$482.15
2"	25	75,000	\$15.65	\$622.50	\$543.75	\$1,181.90

(b) Water Only Customers

Minimum charges will be the same for each meter size shown above, but the Sewer Charges will be excluded.

(b) Sewer Only Customers

The Village of Wawanesa do charge the owners or occupants of land serviced with sewer but no water the sum of \$73.65 per quarter. Customer Service Charge \$15.65 + Commodity Charges 8. M.G. @ \$7.25.

3. Bulk Water Sales Rate

All water sold in bulk by the Village of Wawanesa shall be charged for at a rate of \$17.50 per 1,000 gallons on a pro-rated basis for all quantities greater than 500 gallons. For quantities of 500 gallons or less, the minimum charge will be \$9.65.

4. Service to Customers outside Municipality, Town or L.U.D. limits

The Council of the Village of Wawanesa may sign agreements with customers for the provision of water and sewer services to properties located outside the legal boundaries of the Village of Wawanesa. Such agreements shall provide for payment of the appropriate rates set out in the schedule, as well as a surcharge, set by resolution of Council, which shall be equivalent to the frontage levy, general taxes and special taxes for utility purposes in effect at the time, or may be in effect from time to time, and which would be levied on the property concerned if it were within these boundaries. In addition, all cost of connecting to the utility's mains and installing and maintaining service connections will be paid by the customer.

5. Billing and Penalties

Accounts shall be billed quarterly. The due date will be at least fourteen days after the mailing of the bills. A late payment charge of 1¹/₄% compounded monthly shall be charged on the dollar amount owing after the billing due date, with the exception of those bills for current charges having a due date between April 1, 2020 and October 1, 2020, which shall have no late payment charges assessed.

6. Disconnection

The Public Utilities Board has approved the Conditions Precedent to be followed by the municipality with respect to the disconnection of service for non-payment including, such matters, as notice and the right to appeal such action to the Public Utilities Board. A copy of the Conditions Precedent is available for inspection at the Municipality's office.

7. <u>Reconnection</u>

Any service disconnected due to non-payment of account shall not be reconnected until all arrears, penalties and a reconnection fee of \$27.50 have been paid.

8. Outstanding Bills

Pursuant To Section 252 (2) of The Municipal Act, the amount of all outstanding charges for water and sewer service are a lien and charge upon the land serviced, and shall be collected in the same manner in which ordinary taxes upon land are collectible, and with like remedies.

9. <u>Hydrant Rentals</u>

The Village of Wawanesa will pay to the utility an annual rental of \$125.00 for each hydrant connected to the system.

10. Water Allowance Due to Line Freezing

That in any case where, at the request of the Council, a customer allows water to run continuously for any period of time to prevent the water lines in the water system from freezing, the charge to that customer for the current quarter shall be the average of the billings for the last two previous quarters to the same customer, or to the same premises if the occupant has changed. No reduction in minimum rates will be made because of the stoppage of water supply due to frozen lines or frozen pipes inside the premises of the owner of the property without just cause.

11. Non-working meters

When a meter ceases to function and a correct reading cannot be recorded, the charge to that customer for the current quarter shall be the average of the billings for the last four quarters to the same customer or to the same premises if the occupant has changed.

12. Replacement of meters

The Village of Wawanesa reserves the right to replace water meters with a newer remotely read technology whenever, at the discretion of council, it is in the best interest of the public.