



TOWN OF BARRHEAD

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TOWN OF BARRHEAD UTILITY CUSTOMERS

Council recently approved By-law 02-2012, the Municipal Public Utilities Bylaw, which sets the rates for water, sanitary sewer and garbage utilities. The new rates will take effect January 1, 2012, commencing with the January/February Utility Billing.

The increase in the water rates is due to the construction of the new water treatment plant by the Barrhead Regional Water Commission. Although the Commission received provincial funding there are borrowing costs in building a \$12 million plant which will meet and exceed all new provincial standards and will provide a higher quality of water for another 25 years.

Council has taken the approach to increase the water rate in an incremental manner, realizing that the increase is necessary to build and operate the plant. In order to ease the increased cost of water, the sewer rates have been decreased by 10% to offset some of the financial burden. The basic residential bi-monthly minimum billing for water, sewer and garbage is now \$106.70 (an increase of \$16.75 per month).

Water rates are as follows:

First 3,000 imperial gallons or (13.5 m ³)	\$ 31.50 per month minimum charge
Next 7,000 imperial gallons or (32 m ³)	\$ 6.70 per 1,000 gallons or (4.55 m ³) per month
Next 140,000 imperial gallons or (636.5 m ³)	\$ 6.00 per 1,000 gallons or (4.55 m ³) per month
For all consumption over the next 150,000 imperial gallons or (682 m ³)	\$ 5.00 per 1,000 gallons or (4.55 m ³) per month

Sanitary Sewage rates are as follows:

As noted, in order to partially reduce the impact of the increase in the water rates, the sanitary sewage rates have been reduced from 50% to 40% of the cost of water usage, or a minimum rate for various classifications listed in the utility by-law, whichever is greater, with the exception of the period May 1 to August 31, where single family dwellings will be charged 30% of the water usage over the listed minimum of 3,000 imperial gallons (13.5 m³) per month.

Garbage rates are as follows:

With the increased operational costs for garbage pickup, the basic residential garbage charges for 2012 have increased from \$8.10/month to \$9.25/month. The apartment per unit rate has increased from \$6.35/month to \$6.55/month. The commercial hourly rate has increased from \$91.00/hour to \$100.00/hour, with a minimum \$50.00/month.

Please see reverse for some comparative examples of the water, sewer and garbage charges of the 2011 vs. 2012 Utility Bill.

2011 vs 2012 Bi-Monthly Utility Billings

Type	Water Rate Levels	Consumption	2011	2012	2012
Residential	<u>Per Gallon</u>	Used	Bi-Monthly	Bi-Monthly	Bi-Monthly
Customer		<u>4,000 Gal.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Increase Amt.</u>
	First 0 - 6,000	4,000	\$ 38.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 25.00
	Next 6,001-14,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Next 14,001-280,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total		\$ 38.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 25.00
	Sewer 50% of H ₂ O	Sewer 40% of H ₂ O	\$ 19.00	\$ 25.20	\$ 6.20
	Residential pick-up	Garbage	\$ 16.20	\$ 18.50	\$ 2.30
	Total		\$ 73.20	\$ 106.70	\$ 33.50

Type	Water Rate Levels	Consumption	2011	2012	2012
Residential	<u>Per Gallon</u>	Used	Bi-Monthly	Bi-Monthly	Bi-Monthly
Customer		<u>10,000 Gal.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Increase Amt.</u>
	First 0 - 6,000	6,000	\$ 38.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 25.00
	Next 6,001-14,000	4,000	\$ 20.60	\$ 26.80	\$ 6.20
	Next 14,001-280,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total		\$ 58.60	\$ 89.80	\$ 31.20
	Sewer 50% of H ₂ O	Sewer 40% of H ₂ O	\$ 29.30	\$ 35.92	\$ 6.62
	Residential pick-up	Garbage	\$ 16.20	\$ 18.50	\$ 2.30
	Total		\$ 104.10	\$ 144.22	\$ 40.12

Type	Water Rate Levels	Consumption	2011	2012	2012
Commercial	<u>Per Gallon</u>	Used	Bi-Monthly	Bi-Monthly	Bi-Monthly
Customer		<u>4,000 Gal.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Increase Amt.</u>
	First 0 - 6,000	4,000	\$ 38.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 25.00
	Next 6,001-14,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Next 14,001-280,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total		\$ 38.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 25.00
	Store Class. Minimum	Sewer 40% of H ₂ O	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.20	\$ 0.20
	1 Hr. Business pick-up	Garbage	\$ 91.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 9.00
	Total		\$ 154.00	\$ 188.20	\$ 34.20

Type	Water Rate Levels	Consumption	2011	2012	2012
Commercial	<u>Per Gallon</u>	Used	Bi-Monthly	Bi-Monthly	Bi-Monthly
Customer		<u>120,000 Gal.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Increase Amt.</u>
	First 0 - 6,000	6,000	\$ 38.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 25.00
	Next 6,001-14,000	14,000	\$ 72.10	\$ 93.80	\$ 21.70
	Next 14,001-280,000	100,000	\$ 460.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 140.00
	Total		\$ 570.10	\$ 756.80	\$ 186.70
	Sewer 50% of H ₂ O	Sewer 40% of H ₂ O	\$ 285.05	\$ 302.72	\$ 17.67
	3 Hr. Business pick-up	Garbage	\$ 273.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 27.00
	Total		\$ 1,128.15	\$ 1,359.52	\$ 231.37

Water rate levels converted to m³

Water Rate Levels	Water Rate Levels
<u>Per Gallon</u>	<u>Per m³</u>
First 0 - 6,000	First 0 - 27.00
Next 6,001-14,000	Next 27.01 - 32.00
Next 14,001-280,000	Next 32.01 - 636.50

Inquiries:

If you have any questions regarding your utility bill please contact the Town Office at 780-674-3301, Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.