



Water Regulation Bylaw 1351

CONSOLIDATED FOR PUBLIC CONVENIENCE

(Includes Amendments up to December 11, 2017)

The text of Water Regulation Bylaw 1351 has been amended by the following bylaws:

<i>Bylaw 1351.01</i>	<i>Repeal and Replace "Schedule A" in it's entirety</i>
<i>Bylaw 1351.02</i>	<i>Section 67 is repealed and replaced in its entirety and Schedule "A" is repealed and replaced in its entirety</i>
<i>Bylaw 1351.03</i>	<i>Section 76 – Penalty for late payment is repealed in its entirety and replaced – and Schedule "A" is repealed and replaced in its entirety</i>
<i>Bylaw 1351.04</i>	<i>Schedule "A" is repealed and replaced in its entirety</i>

Town of Oliver Bylaw 1351

A bylaw to establish and set regulations for the water supply service operated by the Town of Oliver

WHEREAS:

- A. The Town of Oliver owns and operates water supply and distribution services within its municipal boundaries and within Electoral Area C of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen;
- B. By Order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council number 1870 (“*OIC 1870*”), dated December 15, 1989 and validated by section 1 of the *Municipal Enabling and Validating Act (No. 2)* [SBC 1990] Chapter 61, the Town of Oliver was granted the authority to operate a *Public Water System* outside its municipal boundaries including the right to enforce, amend or repeal bylaws of the former South Okanagan Lands Irrigation District (“*SOLID*”) in the same manner as if they were enacted by the municipality;
- C. Pursuant to the "Irrigation Water Supply Agreement" made in 1997 between the Town of Oliver and the Osoyoos Band of Indians, the annual fee for irrigation water pumped from the *Canal* for farm irrigation purposes on Osoyoos Indian Reserve No.1 shall be calculated as 50% of the rate normally set for such use;
- D. By Bylaw 1066, *Council* established water supply as a service to operate within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Oliver and within Electoral Area C of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen;
- E. *Council* desires to consolidate various regulatory bylaws enacted by *SOLID* and by the Town in respect to the operation of its water supply service into a single regulatory bylaw;
- F. The *Council* may, under s. 154 of the *Community Charter*, delegate its powers, duties and functions to an officer or employee of the Town;

NOW THEREFORE, the *Council* of the Town of Oliver, in open meeting assembled, **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

PART 1 – ADMINISTRATION

Citation

1. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as “Water Regulation Bylaw 1351”.

Repeal

2. The following bylaws and all amendments thereto are repealed:
 - (1) *SOLID* Domestic Water Users Sprinkler Control By-Law No. 65
 - (2) *SOLID* Mobile Home Park and Trailer Court Regulation Bylaw No. 68
 - (3) *SOLID* Bulk Water Regulation Bylaw No. 84
 - (4) *SOLID* Prohibited Area Regulation By-Law No. 89
 - (5) *SOLID* Subdivision Regulations Bylaw No.103
 - (6) *SOLID* Flow Control Circumvention By-Law No. 108
 - (7) *SOLID* Multiple Occupancy Water Regulation Bylaw No. 122
 - (8) *SOLID* Capital Expenditure Charge By-Law No. 123
 - (9) *SOLID* By-Law No. 130 (regarding misuse of irrigation water)
 - (10) *SOLID* Irrigation Regulation By-Law No. 151
 - (11) *SOLID* Water Distribution Regulation By-Law No. 156
 - (12) *SOLID* General Fees Bylaw No. 183
 - (13) *SOLID* Permanent Set Irrigation System Regulation By-law No. 184
 - (14) Village of Oliver By-Law No. 177 (regarding terms and conditions for the sale and distribution of water)
 - (15) Cross Connection Control Bylaw 651, 1992
 - (16) Cross Connection Control Bylaw No. 1043, 2003
 - (17) Water Meter Installation Bylaw No. 1059, 2003
 - (18) Osoyoos Indian Band Bulk Water Fee Bylaw 1332
 - (19) Water Parcel Tax Bylaw 1333
 - (20) Rural Water Taxation Bylaw 1347

Definitions

3. In this bylaw:

“*Applicant*” means a person who has made application to the Town to receive water from the *Public Water System*.

“*Arable Area*” means the area of a *Parcel* which could potentially be used for growing crops. Only natural features such as escarpments and water bodies can be excluded, while man-made features such as buildings and driveways shall be included.

“*Area C*” means Electoral Area C of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen.

“*Auxiliary Water Supply*” means a source of water other than the *Public Water System* that is used to provide water to a *Parcel*.

“*Backflow*” means the flow of water or other liquids, gasses or solids from any source into the *Public Water System*.

“*Backflow Preventer*” means an approved fitting or device, which when properly installed, prevents *Backflow*.

“*Backflow Prevention Assembly*” means a type of *Backflow Preventer* which requires testing by a *Certified Tester* not less than once per year.

“*Bylaw Enforcement Officer*” means any employee, agent or contractor of the *Town* who has been hired or contracted to enforce any one or more of the bylaws of the *Town*.

“*Canal*” means the series of structures constructed and operated to convey water by gravity from the diversion dam on the Okanagan River south of Vaseux Lake to Road No. 18 and includes all open channel structures, aqueducts, trestles, siphons, bridges and buried pipelines involved in the conveyance of water by gravity on this corridor.

“*Canal Lands*” means all deeded lands, easements and rights-of-way on which the *Canal* is operated, and for clarity, includes the portion of *Canal Lands* that goes through Osoyoos Indian Reserve No.1.

“*Certified Tester*” means a person holding a valid certificate from the British Columbia Water and Waste Association for the purpose of testing and servicing all types of *Backflow Prevention Assemblies*.

“*CFO*” means the Chief Financial Officer of the *Town* or a person designated to act on behalf of the *CFO* and may include the Chief Administrative Officer (Municipal Manager).

“*Cross Connection*” means any actual or potential connection whereby the *Public Water System* is connected, directly or indirectly to any device or source which may result in contaminants entering into the *Public Water System* as a result of *Backflow*.

“*Council*” means the municipal council of the *Town of Oliver*.

“*Curb Stop*” means a valve, owned and operated by the *Town*, which is used to turn on or turn off water to a *Private Water System*.

“*Customer*” means any person who is using water supplied from the *Public Water System* and who may be an *Owner*, tenant, occupant or contractor.

“*Director*” means the person appointed by *Council* as the Director of Operations and includes employees, contractors or agents working under the supervision or direction of the *Director* for the purpose of administering or enforcing this bylaw and shall also include the

following officers of the municipality: Chief Administrative Officer (Municipal Manager), CFO and Corporate Officer.

“*Entrance Valve*” means a valve, owned by a *Customer*, located at the point on a *Private Water System* where it turns off all water used by the *Private Water System*.

“*Farm Irrigation*” means seasonal irrigation of agricultural crops grown out-doors, on land that has been assessed “Class 9 – Farm” by the BC Assessment Authority, or on eligible land as determined by the CFO pursuant to section 64, and for clarity, does not include *Indoor Irrigation*.

“*Flow Control Device*” means an approved fitting placed in the water line at a service location to restrict the maximum rate that water can flow from the *Public Water System* into a *Private Water System*.

“*Indoor Irrigation*” means irrigation of crops grown within a greenhouse, warehouse or other structure.

“*Municipal Seal*” means a physical seal, lock or other device installed by the *Town* to prevent or to identify any tampering with meters, valves, switches, doors or other component of the *Public Water System* or any *Private Water System*.

“*Non-Farm Irrigation*” means any irrigation other than *Farm Irrigation*.

“*Normal Working Hours*” means between 7:00 AM and 3:15 PM, Monday through Friday, except Statutory Holidays, Easter Monday and Boxing Day.

“*OIB*” means the Osoyoos Indian Band.

“*Owner*” means the registered owner of a *Parcel* which is serviced or planned to be serviced by the *Public Water System*.

“*Parcel*” means any property or other area in which real property is held or into which it is subdivided pursuant to the *Land Title Act* or the *Strata Property Act* but shall mean a group of such properties or areas where two or more such properties or areas share one folio number assigned by the BC Assessment Authority.

“*Premise Isolation*” means installation of one or more *Backflow Prevention Assemblies* to prevent water entering the *Public Water System* from a *Private Water System*.

“*Private Water System*” means any system of pipes and fittings to distribute water within a *Parcel* or a building which is not operated by the *Town* as part of the *Public Water System*, but which obtains its water supply from the *Public Water System*.

“*Public Water System*” means the system of physical works used to supply water under this bylaw and shall include all wells, dams, canals, pipelines, buildings, motors, pumps,

electrical and electronic controls valves, fittings, valve chambers, vaults and all other such devices and appurtenances used in the delivery of water by the *Town*.

“*Reserve*” means Osoyoos Indian Reserve No. 1.

“*Town*” means the Town of Oliver as a municipal corporation or the area inside the municipal boundaries of the Town of Oliver, as the context may require.

“*Water Operator*” means any employee, agent or contractor of the *Town* who has been hired or contracted to maintain, repair, make adjustments to or otherwise operate any portion of the *Public Water System* under the direction or supervision of the *Director*.

“*Water Supply Service*” means the municipal service of procuring, treating, selling and delivering water to members of the public, as established by this bylaw.

Order in Council 1870 provisions remain in force

4. For clarity, none of the regulations set out in this bylaw shall be interpreted as diminishing or canceling any of the rights granted to the *Town* by *OIC 1870*.

Delegation to *Director*

5. The *Director* is hereby delegated the authority to supervise operation of the *Public Water System* including the hiring, dismissal, supervision, and assignment of *Water Operators*, to perform necessary work and to enforce provisions of this bylaw.

Limits of delegation

6. Operation of the *Public Water System* shall not be in conflict with the provisions of this bylaw or with budgets and policies set by *Council* from time to time.

Liability

7. The *Town* does not guarantee water pressure, continuous supply or direction of water flow. The *Town* reserves the right at any time, without notice, to change the operating pressure, to shut off water or to change the direction of flow. Neither the *Town*, its officers, employees nor agents shall be liable for any damage or other loss caused by changes in water pressure, shutting off water or change in direction of flow or by reason of the water containing sediments, deposits, or other foreign matter.
8. Nothing contained in this bylaw shall be construed to impose any liability or obligation on the *Town* to install a particular size of water service or any service whatsoever, for which an application has been made, or to extend or enhance or to permit the extension or enhancement of any component of the *Public Water System*, or to give a continuous supply of water or any particular pressure to any *Customer* or *Parcel* serviced by the *Public Water System*.

- 9.** It is recognized that some agricultural *Customers* may attempt to use irrigation to reduce crop damage from frost. However, such use is purely incidental to the intended use of supplied water for plant respiration. The *Town* specifically cannot provide adequate supplies of water, nor can it ensure continuous water supply during frost periods to make irrigation an effective means of frost protection in all applications.

PART 2 – WATER SERVICE

Service applications required

10. A person wishing to receive a water service must submit a service application to the *Town* in a format established from time to time by the *Director*.

Owner's consent required for service

11. Water service applications must be made by, or be made with the consent of the *Owner* of the *Parcel* for which the application is being made.

Service requirements

12. Subject to section 13, each *Parcel* shall only be provided with one combined service for irrigation and domestic use unless the following conditions exist:
 - (1) On a *Parcel* larger than 0.25 hectares, a separate service may be provided for irrigation and domestic use;
 - (2) On a *Parcel* located adjacent to a part of the *Public Water System*, which supplies domestic and irrigation water in separate water mains, a separate service may be provided for irrigation and domestic use; or
 - (3) such other conditions as the *Director* may determine.
13. Notwithstanding section 12, a bareland strata subdivision containing three or more parcels shall be serviced with a single combined service for irrigation and domestic use, unless the strata subdivision is located adjacent to a part of the *Public Water System*, which supplies domestic and irrigation water in separate water mains, a separate service may be provided for irrigation and domestic use
14. The *Director* will review each service application for a water service and determine the following:
 - (1) whether the size and location of the service connection requested in the application can feasibly be provided;
 - (2) whether sufficient capacity exists in the *Public Water System* to supply the requested service without causing any pressure decrease or capacity concerns in the *Public Water System* which are not acceptable to the *Director*;
 - (3) the extent and estimated cost for the amount of cash deposit required to provide the water service and any *Public Water System* enhancements or extensions, as specified in Schedule "A";

- (4) any applicable connection fees, arrears water charges, inspection fees or other charges imposed by this or any other bylaw of the *Town*.

Engineering reports may be required

15. To assist in determining the appropriate size and location of a water service or water meter, the *Director* may require the *Applicant* to submit a report from a professional engineer that outlines the anticipated peak water flows to be accommodated and the recommended size of water service to accommodate this peak flow.
16. Notwithstanding any report from an engineer working for an *Applicant*, the *Director* retains the right to make the final determination of the size and location of the water service.
17. The *Director* may at the cost of the *Applicant*, solicit a report from a professional engineer to estimate the capacity of the *Public Water System* and to determine what if any extensions or enhancements may be required to the *Public Water System* to accommodate a service application, along with the estimated cost of such extensions or enhancements.

Council approval may be required

18. Regardless of a positive assessment by the *Director* under section 14, authorization must be obtained from *Council* prior to approving a water service in any of the following circumstances:
 - (1) If there is to be any proposed cost sharing by the *Town* related to the service application evaluation or design;
 - (2) If there is to be any cost sharing by the *Town* related to expansion or extension of the *Public Water System*;
 - (3) The requested water service is located outside the boundaries of the *Town* and requires extension of the *Public Water System*; part non-serviced *Parcels* to service other *Parcels* beyond or
 - (4) The requested water service may commit a significant amount of service capacity such as irrigation service applications to service an area over 0.5 hectares in size, multi-family applications, commercial or industrial applications.

Fire hydrant may be required

19. Whenever the *Town* receives an application for water service, the *Director* may require installation of one or more fire hydrant(s) and associated valves and pipelines as a condition of having the application for water service approved.

Booster pumps

20. Where the *Public Water System* has sufficient capacity to supply the estimated flow required by a connection, but at a pressure deemed by the *Director* to be insufficient for the service, the *Director* may permit or require the *Owner* to install a pressure booster pump onto the *Private Water System* being serviced. Booster pumps shall be installed and operated subject to the following conditions:
- (1) The make, model, capacity and installation of booster pumps must be approved by the *Director* prior to installation.
 - (2) If installation of a booster pump could likely create a negative pressure or if an existing booster pump is found to create a negative pressure in any portion of the *Public Water System*, the *Director* can order the *Customer* to install a pump reservoir or a vacuum break or both, as part of the *Private Water System*.
 - (3) No modifications to the pump or its installation may be made without advance approval of the *Director*.
 - (4) The cost of the booster pump, its installation, maintenance and operating costs shall at all times remain the responsibility of the *Customer*.

Entrance Valve required

21. All *Private Water Systems* shall be fitted with an *Entrance Valve*, which must be located upstream of all meters, valves, tees and other fittings attached to the *Private Water System*.

Temporary water services

22. Upon application, the *Director* may authorize a person to use water from an existing fire hydrant or standpipe as a temporary water service for construction or other purposes as authorized by the *Director*, subject to the following conditions:
- (1) The service shall be fitted with a shut off valve for normal operation by the *Customer*.
 - (2) Any fire hydrant to which a temporary water service is connected must be operated only by a *Water Operator*.
 - (3) The service shall be fitted with a *Backflow Prevention Assembly* that has been certified in proper working condition within the previous 12 months.
 - (4) The service must be fitted with a water meter if required by the *Director*.

Design and construction by private sector

23. The *Director* may require that all planning, design and construction of a *Public Water System* extension be carried out under direct supervision of the *Town*, or may allow design and construction to be coordinated by a professional engineer working for the *Applicant*.
24. The engineer must be registered or duly licensed as such under the provisions of the Engineers and Geoscientists Act of British Columbia, have sufficient experience as determined by the *Director* and;
- (1) Undertakes full responsibility for all aspects of the design and construction coordination work he is proposing to do;
 - (2) The design prepared by the engineer is submitted to the *Director* and approved for construction by the *Director* prior to the commencement of any construction.

Private sector construction requirements

25. Where design and construction of works on the *Public Water System* is coordinated by the *Applicant*, the following requirements shall apply:
- (1) All works and services must be designed in accordance with sound engineering principles by a professional engineer licensed to practice in the Province of British Columbia.
 - (2) All permits required from health authorities, road authorities and other jurisdictions outside the *Town* shall be applied and paid for by the *Applicant*.
 - (3) The engineer working for the *Applicant* remains responsible for complying with all testing required by the *Town* and by outside agencies.
 - (4) The engineer shall, in a format satisfactory to the *Director*, submit to the *Town* the following items, as part of his or her undertaking:
 - (a) final design for approval prior to construction;
 - (b) full cost estimate of all construction, design and documentation work;
 - (c) a schedule for construction of the works;
 - (d) all test results arising from or related to the construction;
 - (e) a substantial completion certificate in a format set by the *Director*, documenting any outstanding deficiencies;
 - (f) as-built drawings of all works installed, to be supplied in digital computer format as well as two hard copies at a suitable scale;
 - (g) a service card for each *Parcel*, showing location, depth, size and type of service installed for the *Parcel*; and

- (h) a final completion certificate.
- (5) The Developer shall be required to:
- (a) complete all works and services by a fixed date (“Completion Date”);
 - (b) pay for all Inspection Costs incurred by the *Town* in connection with verifying that the works and services are properly completed;
 - (c) provide Security in the amount determined by the *Director*, but not less than 10% of the value of works and services on municipal land required by this bylaw as a performance bond plus 125% of estimated Inspection Costs;
 - (d) maintain the works and services for a period of 12 months (“Maintenance Period”) following completion of construction, and to repair and make good all defects and deficiencies appearing in the works and services during that period;
 - (e) provide to the *Town* throughout the Maintenance Period, Security in the amount determined by the *Director*, but not less than 10% of the value of the works and services accepted by the *Town*;
 - (f) pay to the *Town* the cost of all repairs and corrections including Administration Fee that becomes necessary during the Maintenance Period, if subsection (d) is not satisfied and if the cost to repair or correct deficiencies exceeds the value of the Security;
 - (g) carry third party liability insurance in an amount and form acceptable to the *Director*, in respect of claims arising out of death, personal injury or damage arising from the construction of the works and services for the duration of construction and Maintenance period; and
- (6) indemnify the *Town* and save it harmless in respect of all costs and expenses it may incur as a result of faulty workmanship or defective material in the works and services in respect of which the *Town* has provided notice to the Developer prior to the *Town*’s final acceptance of the works and services;

PART 3 – WATER USE AND CONSERVATION

No unauthorized use of water

26. No person shall use water or permit the use of water on any *Parcel* other than the property for which the service was specifically provided; unless such use has been specifically approved in writing by the *Director* as a temporary water service.

Irrigation season

27. In each year, *Council* shall determine the first and last date of normal irrigation seasons that water may be used for *Farm Irrigation by Private Water Systems* which:
- (1) receive water from pressurized portions of the *Public Water System*; and
 - (2) pump their water from the *Canal*, which may be the same as or different than the date set under subsection (1).

No irrigation outside season

28. No person shall use water for *Farm Irrigation* outside the dates set in section 27, unless they have applied for and been granted permission by the *Director*.

Wasting water prohibited

29. No person shall waste water by:
- (1) applying more irrigation water than is required to grow garden plants or crops;
 - (2) leaving open faucets or hoses unattended;
 - (3) operating a *Private Water System* when such a system is losing water through leaky or broken faucets or pipelines or other fixtures attached to it; or
 - (4) applying water for any of the following uses:
 - (a) Controlling the temperature in a building by sprinkling the roof with water; or
 - (b) excessively irrigating a street, driveway or sidewalk either intentionally or through a poorly designed or poorly adjusted irrigation system

Water use restrictions

30. The *Director* may at such times and for such length of time as is considered necessary or advisable by them, restrict or prohibit irrigation, yard and garden sprinklering, car washing and private pool filling to reduce water usage when the *Director* considers water to be in short supply and every person shall abide by such restriction or prohibition.

31. The *Town* may at such times and for such length of time as is considered necessary or advisable by *Council*, restrict or prohibit water uses when it considers water to be in short supply and every person shall abide by such restriction or prohibition.

Flow Control Devices

32. Subject to Section 66, all service connections providing water for any *Farm Irrigation* or *Non-Farm Irrigation*, must be equipped with a *Flow Control Device* complying with the following requirements:

- (1) The normal maximum rate of flow permitted for any new connection shall not exceed 75 litres/minute/hectare (8 US gallons/minute/acre) based on the size of the *Parcel* being serviced.
- (2) In locations where the capacity of the *Public Water System* is limited, a lower flow rate may be specified by the *Director*.
- (3) Historically, the *Town* has allowed a higher capacity *Flow Control Device* to be installed than specified in subsection (1). These *Flow Control Devices* may remain in use unless:
 - (a) the *Director* determines that the *Parcel* serviced by the historic flow control device could be adequately serviced with a flow control device meeting the requirements of subsection (1); or
 - (b) the *Public Water System* in the vicinity of the service location is operating without capacity to accommodate the extra flow.

33. The *Director* may require installation of a *Flow Control Device* on any water service where the peak water consumption through a service is causing pressure losses or a lack of water in the *Public Water System* that is detrimental to other water *Customers*.

34. Where required, *Flow Control Devices* must conform to the following requirements:

- (1) *Flow Control Devices* must be submitted to the *Town* for approval and testing before they are installed. Such approval and testing shall be subject to the following requirements:
 - (a) Only *Flow Control Devices* manufactured under the trade name Griswold® are currently acceptable for use, unless an equivalent quality *Flow Control Device* is approved by the *Director*; and
 - (b) The *Owner* or *Customer* must pay a testing fee as set by bylaw.
- (2) If the *Director* believes that a *Flow Control Device* is worn out or is not functioning properly, he or she may:

- (a) direct that the *Owner* remove the device and submit it to the *Town* for testing;
 - (b) direct that a *Water Operator* enter private property and remove the *Flow Control Device* for testing; or
 - (c) turn off water to the *Private Water System* until the *Flow Control Device* is tested and found acceptable or until an acceptable replacement device is installed.
- (3) The *Owner* shall pay all costs related to purchasing, installing, removing, maintaining and periodically replacing *Flow Control Devices*, including costs incurred by the *Town* in removing, installing, testing or purchasing such devices.

PART 4 – WATER METERS

Water meters required

- 35.** Water meters must be installed and maintained to capture all water at all times flowing into a *Private Water Systems* from the *Public Water System*, except in the following circumstances:
- (1) *Private Water Systems* used only for pressurized *Farm Irrigation* and which do not use a private pump or booster pump;
 - (2) Existing *Private Water Systems* used only for *Farm Irrigation* and which use a private pump or booster pump and which have been in continuous service since before January 1, 2004 unless the service is replaced, relocated or reactivated following a non-use period exceeding 12 months;
 - (3) *Private Water Systems* used only for pressurized *Non-Farm Irrigation* and which do not use a private pump or booster pump, provided the water for this use is supplied from a non-potable pipeline in the *Public Water System*; and
 - (4) Where determined to be prudent by the *Director*.

Water meters for high use

- 36.** Where the *Director* estimates that the amount of water being used by any *Private Water System* exceeds the amount of water allocated in the establishment of flat-rate water user fees for that system, the *Director* may require a *Customer* to install a water meter.

Meter installation

- 37.** For all water meter installations, the *Director* shall determine:
- (1) the make, model and size of water meter(s) required prior to installation; and
 - (2) the appropriate location of water meter(s), either within a building or in a meter pit near the property line.

Town-owned water meters

- 38.** Once installed, all water meters used by the Town for billing purposes and for which the *Town* levies a meter base charge in addition to a volumetric consumption charge shall become property of the Town and shall be maintained as follows:
- (1) The *Town* shall maintain, repair and replace the meter for normal wear and tear as required, subject to subsection (2)

- (2) *Owners* and *Customers* must protect water meters from physical damage and freezing. Where a water meter or meter pit is damaged as a result of abuse, misuse, neglect or other damage caused by the *Owner* or *Customer*, the cost to repair or replace the water meter or meter pit shall be paid for by the *Owner*.

Private water meters

39. Water meters required as a condition of receiving water service, but which are not used by the Town for billing purposes and for which the *Town* does not levy a meter base charge, shall remain property of the *Owner*, and the *Owner* must pay for all costs incurred to maintain, repair and replace such meters, as deemed necessary by the *Director*.

PART 5 – CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL***Cross Connection to Public Water System***

40. No person shall connect or permit to remain connected to the Public Water System a Cross Connection that has not been approved by the Director.
41. Whenever required by an applicable code or whenever the *Director* believes a risk of *Cross Connection* exists, the *Director* may require the *Customer* or *Owner* to install *Premise Isolation*. Where required, *Backflow Preventers* shall be selected, installed and tested per the most recent editions of the British Columbia Building Code or the CSA B64.10.1.

Cross Connection remedies

42. Where any condition is found to exist on a *Parcel*, which in the opinion of the *Director* constitutes a *Cross Connection* with the *Public Water System*, or where a *Customer* refuses to grant access to the *Private Water System* for the purpose of assessing the potential for a *Cross Connection* the *Town* may:
- (1) impose a fine on the property *Owner*;
 - (2) if in the sole opinion of the *Director* an immediate threat of contamination to the water system exists that can endanger public health or safety, immediately turn off the water supply to the *Parcel* and notify the property *Owner* that the *Private Water System* must be inspected or that specified *Backflow Preventer(s)* must be properly installed and tested if applicable, prior to the water service being turned back on;
 - (3) if, in the sole opinion of the *Director*, a health hazard does not presently exist, provide the *Customer* with notice to correct the fault within a specified time period, and if such notice is not complied with, then shut off the water supply to the *Parcel*;

Owners' responsibilities

43. No person shall remove a *Backflow Preventer* or any part thereof after it has been installed, unless the purpose of such removal is to:
- (1) Facilitate the repair of the device, with the device replaced immediately after the repair is carried out; or
 - (2) Replace the device with another device that meets or exceeds the British Columbia Building Code or the CSA B64.10.1.
44. Each *Owner* of a *Private Water System* which requires one or more *Backflow Preventer(s)* must maintain all *Backflow Preventer(s)* in good working order. All *Backflow Prevention Assemblies* shall be tested:

- (1) At the time of installation.
- (2) Annually or more frequently if required by the *Director*.
- (3) At the time of relocation.
- (4) When the assembly is cleaned, repaired or overhauled.
- (5) In the case of agricultural use including *Farm Irrigation* and *Indoor Irrigation* used for application of agricultural chemicals, prior to commencement of operation of the *Private Water System* in each irrigation season.

Testing requirements

45. The following requirements apply to testing of all Backflow Prevention Assemblies:

- (1) All testing shall be completed by a *Certified Tester*.
- (2) Test reports in a form set out by the *Director* must be submitted to the *Town* within 30 days of the test of an assembly left in good working order.
- (3) If the test fails, the repairs shall be made and the test report forwarded to the *Town*, within 96 hours or such other time specified by the *Director*.
- (4) If the Owner fails to have a Backflow Prevention Assembly tested within the specified time when notice is given in writing, the *Town* may shut off the water service until the Backflow Prevention Assembly has been tested and approved.

PART 6 – GENERAL REGULATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT**Bylaw violation is an offence**

46. Any person who disobeys or fails to comply with any provision of this bylaw shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.00 or to imprisonment not exceeding six (6) months, or both. The penalties in this section are separate and in addition to any other remedies or fees authorized by this bylaw or any other bylaw or enactment.

Ongoing or recurring offences

47. Where a violation of this bylaw is of a recurring or ongoing nature, each day's violation shall constitute a distinct and separate offence.

Tampering with *Public Water System*

48. Unless specifically authorized by the *Director*, no person shall:
- (1) make any connection, extension or alteration to the *Public Water System*;
 - (2) introduce or permit to be introduced any effluent, refuse, waste, chemical or any deleterious substance whatsoever into the *Canal*, any pipeline or any other part of the *Public Water System*;
 - (3) damage, destroy, uncover, deface, mar or tamper with any part of the *Public Water System*;
 - (4) obstruct or restrict access to any hydrant, valve, or other fixture connected to the *Public Water System* by placing thereon or in the vicinity thereof any refuse, soil, sand, gravel, pavement, concrete, bricks, landscaping or any other material;
 - (5) open, close or interfere with the operation of any hydrants, valves or *Curb Stops* connected to the *Public Water System*;
 - (6) enter or trespass onto land on which exists one or more reservoirs connected to the *Public Water System*;
 - (7) swim, bathe, wash persons or items in the *Canal*, or enter the *Canal* for any purpose;
 - (8) destroy, deface, alter or remove any sign or notice posted in connection with the *Public Water System*.

Tampering with *Private Water Systems*

49. Unless specifically authorized by the *Director*, no person shall:

- (1) modify, adjust, replace remove or in any way tamper with any water meter used to measure water supplied from the *Public Water System*;
- (2) open or remove any meter bypass valve;
- (3) open, break or in any way tamper with any *Municipal Seal* placed on a device connected to or related to the *Public Water System* or a *Private Water System*;
- (4) modify, adjust, replace, remove or in any way tamper with any *Flow Control Device*;
- (5) modify, adjust, replace, remove or in any way tamper with any *Backflow Preventer* required to be maintained on a *Private Water System*;
- (6) alter or allow alteration of plumbing or install any permanent or temporary piping within any *Private Water System* in any manner which will bypass any water meter, *Flow Control Device* or *Backflow Preventer*;
- (7) allow water supplied to one *Parcel* to be used on a different *Parcel*, except in the case of a *Temporary Water Service* approved by the *Director*;

Right to inspect

50. The *Town*, using its employees, agents or contractors, may inspect any *Private Water System* subject to the following provisions:

- (1) Inspection of a *Private Water System* on a *Parcel*, other than within a residence, may be carried out at any time without advance notice;
- (2) Inspection of *Private Water System* components located inside a residence may be carried out following 24 hours' advance notice provided by the *Town* to the *Owner* or *Customer* that operates the *Private Water System*;
- (3) Inspection of a *Private Water System* may include but shall not be limited to:
 - (a) Water meter maintenance;
 - (b) general visual inspections including leaks and other water waste;
 - (c) inspecting, testing, repairing or replacing water meters;
 - (d) inspecting, testing, repairing or replacing *Flow Control Devices*;
 - (e) assessing whether there are any *Cross Connections* and/or assessing the risk of any *Cross Connection*;
 - (f) inspecting, testing, repairing or replacing *Backflow Preventers*;
 - (g) searching for any unauthorized plumbing installations, operation of bypass valves or tampering with *Municipal Seals*;

- (h) unauthorized water use; and
 - (i) any other possible infraction of this or any other municipal bylaw related to the *Private Water System*.
- (4) No person shall refuse access by the *Town* for inspecting a *Private Water System* for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with provisions of this or any other bylaw.

Options for refusal of access

- 51.** If an *Owner* or *Customer* refuses to have a water meter installed or if a *Customer* refuses to allow access for inspection pursuant to this bylaw, the *Director* may do any one or more of the following as the *Director* may feel to be appropriate:
- (1) Assess ticket fines as authorized under a ticketing bylaw;
 - (2) Order that water service be turned off or disconnected until an inspection is completed or until a water meter is installed, as the case may be;
 - (3) Order that a water meter and a meter pit be installed at the property line or on public property with all costs of such installation plus an administration fee charged to the *Owner*; or
 - (4) Order that the maximum flat rates set out by bylaw be imposed on the *Parcel* until a water meter is installed or inspected.

Director may discontinue service

- 52.** The *Director* may order that water service to any *Parcel* be turned off or disconnected if:
- (1) applicable payment of water user fees or water parcel taxes in arrears in excess of six months;
 - (2) water is being used for any unlawful purpose or to service any unlawful activity including but not limited to:
 - (a) violations of the Criminal Code of Canada;
 - (b) violations of other federal or provincial statute or regulations;
 - (c) violation of any local government zoning bylaw governing permissible land uses on the *Parcel* being serviced;
 - (3) there is occurring on the *Parcel*, any violation of this or any local government bylaw or regulation;

- (4) parts of the Public Water System supplying water to a Parcel are being repaired or maintained;
- (5) there is a shortage of water; or
- (6) there is an emergency which threatens the safety of the *Public Water System*, other public infrastructure or the general public.

Turn-off options

53. When turning off water pursuant to this bylaw, a *Water Operator* may turn off water at the *Curb Stop*, at the *Entrance Valve* or at both. In situations where the *Director* so orders, water service to a *Parcel* may also be physically disconnected.

- (1) If the water is turned off at the *Entrance Valve* only, the *Water Operator* may affix a tag to the valve indicating the reason the water was turned off. Once the reasons have been fully remedied by the *Customer*, the *Customer* may turn the *Entrance Valve* back on and resume operation of the *Private Water System*.
- (2) For clarity, no person other than a *Water Operator* may turn on a *Curb Stop* if it has been turned off.
- (3) No person other than a *Water Operator* may reconnect a water service that has been disconnected by a *Water Operator*.

No service until violations corrected

54. Any person whose water has been turned off or disconnected pursuant to this bylaw shall not have their *Private Water System* reconnected to the *Public Water System* or have water service resumed until such time as:

- (1) All of the provisions of this bylaw have been complied with;
- (2) The said person pays to the *Town* all applicable fees imposed by this or any other bylaw related to the supply of water; and
- (3) The *Town* has turned on the service.

PART 7 – COST RECOVERY

Water system to be self-financing

55. The *Town's Water Supply Service* shall be fully funded by water taxes, user fees and other charges specifically established for this purpose, and shall not rely on subsidy from general taxes or other operating funds of the *Town*.

Fee schedule

56. Applicable fees and charges are specified in Schedule A, attached to and forming part of this bylaw.

In-Town water parcel tax

57. All *Parcels* within the *Town*, which at any point on their perimeter, are within 30 metres of a pipeline connected to the *Public Water System*, are deemed capable of being connected to the *Public Water System* and shall be levied an annual flat rate water parcel tax as specified in Schedule A.

Area C water parcel tax

58. All *Parcels* within *Area C* that are connected to the *Public Water System* shall be levied an annual flat rate water parcel tax, subject to the following:
- (1) In 2014, *Parcels* which qualify for *Farm Irrigation* water use are exempt from paying the water parcel tax imposed under this section; and
 - (2) Commencing in 2015 and each year thereafter, all *Parcels* shall be subject to the water parcel tax, regardless of their water use for *Farm Irrigation*.

Osoyoos Indian Reserve parcel service fee

59. All *Parcels* within the *Reserve*, that are connected to the *Public Water System* shall be levied an annual flat rate service fee in addition to any applicable metered or flat rate user fees.

Metered user fees

60. Unless otherwise provided for in this Bylaw, all water connections shall be metered and shall in addition to any applicable water parcel taxes, be required to pay the following fees:
- (1) A Consumption Charge based on the number of cubic metres of water delivered to the *Private Water System*; and

- (2) A flat Meter Base Rate based on the size of meter or meters required to serve each *Parcel*, provided that:
 - (a) if a property *Owner* requests more than one meter for his or her convenience and such a request is granted by the *Director*, the applicable Meter Base Rate shall be levied on each meter installed; and
 - (b) if the *Director* determines that it is impractical to make the plumbing changes on an existing *Private Water System* that would allow water consumption to be measured by single meter, a Meter Base Rate credit may be applied to reduce the effective Meter Base Rate to correspond with the meter size that would have been required to service the *Private Water System* with a single meter had the required plumbing changes been practical.

Normal flat rate user fees

61. In addition to any applicable water parcel taxes, normal flat-rate user fees shall be levied for the water uses listed below, and where a *Parcel* contains more than one use, the total fee payable shall be the sum of fees applicable to each use:

- (1) *Farm Irrigation*;
- (2) *Non-Farm Irrigation in Area C*, subject to section 66;
- (3) For metered water services where the water meter has malfunctioned and not provided reliable results for billing, in the opinion of the *Director*; and
- (4) For other uses that are normally metered, but for which the Town inadvertently omitted to require installation of a water meter.

Maximum flat rate user fees

62. Notwithstanding the normal annual flat rate and metered user fees set out in this bylaw, the *Town* may levy Maximum Flat Rate Fees based on the size of service connections, in the circumstances set out below.

- (1) for as long as a *Customer* refuses to grant the *Director* or a *Water Operator* or a *Bylaw Enforcement Officer* access to a *Private Water System* in order to assess compliance with this bylaw;
- (2) for as long as a *Customer* refuses to install or permit the installation of a water meter in compliance with this bylaw, when directed to do so;
- (3) in the event a *Municipal Seal* is broken or a meter bypass valve is opened, for as long as the *Director* estimates the seal was broken or the valve was opened.

Irrigation user fees

- 63.** Flat rate fees for irrigation water use shall be based on the area of the *Parcel* on which the irrigation use takes place, subject to the following considerations:
- (1) Whether the use qualifies as Farm Irrigation or Non-Farm Irrigation, as determined in section 64;
 - (2) Whether the water supplied by the *Public Water System* for irrigation is considered pressurized or low pressure, as determined in section 65;
 - (3) Whether the irrigation use takes place on the *Reserve*.
 - (4) Whether the area of the *Parcel* to be charged for irrigation use is to be reduced in consideration of naturally non-arable land, or increased due to unusual watering requirements, as determined in section 66.

Farm Irrigation

- 64.** Water used for irrigation purposes on a *Parcel* shall be classified as *Non-Farm Irrigation* unless the following conditions are met, in which case a preferential *Farm Irrigation* user fee shall apply:
- (1) The *Parcel* is assessed as Class 9 Farm by the British Columbia Assessment Authority in the current year; or
 - (2) The *Parcel* was assessed as Class 9 Farm by the British Columbia Assessment Authority in the previous one or two years and has lost its farm assessment in the current year, but continues to be used for *Agriculture* as determined by the CFO, where:
 - (a) *Agriculture* means cultivation of ground for the purpose of growing food, forage or other crops as part of a commercial enterprise and specifically does not include landscaping, private gardens, greenhouse operations or other indoor horticulture; and
 - (b) For clarity, a *Parcel* which has lost its Class 9 Farm assessment for more than two years shall cease to qualify for *Farm Irrigation* user fees, regardless of the actual use on the *Parcel*.

Pressurized and low-pressure irrigation

- 65.** User fees for irrigation will differ for pressurized and low-pressure irrigation service, as described below:

- (1) *Parcels* with a water connection for irrigation purposes that supplies water with an average pressure equal to or greater than 30 pounds per square inch at the point of connection, as determined by the *Director*, shall be levied fees based on a pressurized irrigation service;
- (2) *Parcels* with a water connection for irrigation purposes that supplies water with an average pressure less than 30 pounds per square inch at the connection point (including connections supplied directly from the canal), as determined by the *Director*, shall be levied fees based on a low-pressure irrigation service.

Adjustments for arable area and irrigation conditions

66. The area used to calculate user fees for *Farm Irrigation* or *Non-Farm Irrigation* shall equal the area of the *Parcel* unless an adjustment has been made under this section as follows:

- (1) If a portion of the *Parcel* is not arable as a result of natural features such as streams or embankments, the *Owner* may hire a surveyor to calculate the *Arable Area* and provide a sketch plan to the *Town*;
- (2) The area used to calculate the applicable size of *Flow Control Device* in section 32 and to calculate the irrigation user fees shall be the *Arable Area* of the *Parcel*;
- (3) There shall be no reduction in *Arable Area* granted for driveways, buildings or other non-natural features on the *Parcel*; and
- (4) If the *Town* has, prior to adoption of this bylaw, permitted a *Flow Control Device* to be oversized in recognition of particularly difficult irrigation conditions on a *Parcel*, then the land area assessed for the purpose of levying user fees will be increased accordingly.

Parcel tax and user fee due dates

Amended by Bylaw 1351.02 Dec. 14.2015
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67. Water parcel taxes and user fees for permanent water services shall be invoiced and shall become due as follows:

- (1) In-Town Water Parcel Taxes shall be invoiced once per year and shall be due on or the same date as property taxes.
- (2) Metered User Fees, Maximum Flat Rate Fees, Area C Water Parcel Taxes and Osoyoos Indian Reserve Parcel Service Fees shall be invoiced quarterly following March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year and shall be due on the date specified on the invoice, which shall not be less than 30 days after the date of invoice.

- (3) Other than the taxes and fees described in subsections (1) and (2), all other water taxes and flat rate user fees shall be invoiced following August 15 in each year and shall be due on the date specified on the invoice, which shall not be less than 30 days after the date of invoice.
- (4) For new connections, flat rate billing, if applicable, will be prorated based on the initial billing period. If the timing of a new connection initiates an invoice outside of the normal billing cycle, such invoices shall be due on the date specified on the invoice, which shall not be less than 30 days after the date of invoice.

Temporary Service user fees

68. Where the *Director* approves a temporary water connection, the following charges will be levied:

- (1) A connection fee to install a temporary service assembly onto a fire hydrant or standpipe and to turn on the fire hydrant or standpipe;
- (2) A daily rental fee for the temporary service assembly for each calendar day or portion starting the day the temporary service assembly is installed onto the hydrant and ending on the day the temporary service is terminated; and
- (3) A water user fee based on one of the following methods, as determined by the *Director*:
 - i. A consumption charge based on metered consumption; or
 - ii. A daily flat rate fee based on the size of the temporary service.

Advance payment required for temporary water services

69. Persons other than property *Owners*, applying for temporary water service may be required to pay for initial servicing and inspection costs plus up to six months of rentals and estimated user fees in advance of receiving a temporary service.

Meter testing

70. Property *Owners* who are dissatisfied with the consumption as recorded on their meter may apply to the *Town* to have their meter tested.

- (1) If, upon such test, the meter is found to be recording within factory specifications, the property *Owner* shall be levied a Meter Testing Fee.
- (2) If the test shows the meter to be recording less water than is consumed in such test, a new meter will be installed to ensure accurate consumption is being recorded and the Meter Testing Fee shall be waived.

- (3) If the test shows the meter to be recording more water than is actually consumed in such test, the Meter Testing Fee shall be waived and the property *Owner* shall be allowed a rebate on the consumption for a period not exceeding the three months immediately prior to such a test. The amount of the rebate shall be determined by the percentage of inaccuracy as shown by the test.

Charges for new connections

71. Subject to conditions in section 72, when an *Applicant* applies to the *Town* for a new permanent water connection or increased size of permanent water connection, the following items must be paid for by the *Applicant*:

- (1) Water Application Fee;
- (2) Engineering review of capacity in the *Public Water System* to service the application;
- (3) Engineering design of any extension of or capacity enhancement in the *Public Water System*;
- (4) Costs of all extensions or expansion of the *Public Water System* required to service the application, including fire hydrant supply and installation if a fire hydrant is required by the *Director* in reviewing the application;
- (5) Costs of supplying and installing a service connection and *Curb Stop* from the *Public Water System* to the property line including all road, sidewalk and boulevard repairs;
- (6) Costs to purchase water meter and fittings plus all installation costs;
- (7) An administration fee to recover the *Town's* overhead costs in commissioning engineering reports, ordering materials and supervising contractors and workers employed to service the water service being applied for.
- (8) All extensions and modifications to the *Private Water System* on the *Parcel* being applied for;
- (9) All other fees specified in bylaws or agreements related to past water system extensions or enhancements to the *Public Water System* that were undertaken to facilitate approval of the water service being applied for; plus
- (10) Commencing for all water service applications received after January 1, 2015, a general water system connection fee ("*Connection Fee*") based on *Arable Area* for irrigation connections and based on service size or meter size (whichever is smaller, but not less than 19mm) for non-irrigation services subject to the following:

- i. Where a water service is oversized for fire flows, the *Connection Fee* will be calculated on the basis of the service supplied for day-to-day water use, not including fire flows;
- ii. Where the main water service to a *Parcel* is used to service two or more smaller connections to individual uses within the *Parcel*, the *Connection Fee* will be calculated on the lesser of the fee prescribed for the main service or the sum of fees calculated for all the individual services on the *Parcel*;
- iii. Where a *Connection Fee* has not been paid or has been reduced in accordance with subsection ii, then each new water service within the *Parcel* or *Group of Parcels* will incur a *Connection Fee* in accordance with this section, provided that the total *Connection Fees* collected with respect to a *Parcel* or *Group of Parcels* shall not exceed the *Connection Fee* that would be payable for the main service to the *Parcel* or *Group of Parcels*;
- iv. Where a water service is provided to a *Parcel* or a development for which development cost charges have been paid or are being paid, the *Connection Fee* shall be waived for a connection sized in accordance with sound engineering principals, to service the development for which the development cost charges were calculated. If a larger service is provided, a *Connection Fee* will be calculated based on the difference between the fees prescribed for the actual connection and what would have been needed to service the development for which development cost charges were calculated; and
- v. Where a water service is provided to a *Parcel* which lies within a specified area for which connection fees have been established in a specified area bylaw, than the *Connection Fees* under this section shall be waived for a single 19mm connection to such a *Parcel*. If a larger connection is provided, a *Connection Fee* will be calculated based on the difference between the fees prescribed for the actual connection size and a 19mm connection, unless increased connection fees for larger connections has been established in the specified area bylaw applicable for that *Parcel*, in which case the fees specified in the specified area bylaw will apply in place of the *Connection Fees* established by this bylaw.

New service cost conditions

72. The following conditions shall apply to the fees and costs listed in section 71:

- (1) The *Town* may deny approval of any water service application to any *Applicant* who owes the *Town* any unpaid water charges, taxes, fees, interest, penalties or any fines imposed by a court having jurisdiction, until all such amounts are paid in full.
- (2) Work on any water service or report shall not be commenced until the *Town* receives all required payments and deposits.

- (3) Following completion of a water service or report, the *Town* may refund or invoice any difference between the actual cost of planning, designing and installing a water service or any extension or enhancement to the *Public Water System* and the amount of deposit received.
- (4) In determining the cost of a water service, the *Director* may impose an administration fee, as a percentage set out in Schedule A of the cost for labour, equipment and materials. This administration fee is to cover various general overhead costs such as supervision, inspection, accounting, building maintenance and other such non-specific expenses.

Call-out fees

73. When *Town* crews are called out to turn off or turn on water service in order to facilitate repairs or modifications to a *Private Water System*, the *Owners* of the *Private Water System* will be invoiced fees to recover the costs of such call-outs. Such fees may vary in accordance with the purpose of the call-out, the time of the call-out and the frequency of callouts to any *Parcel*.

Other fees

74. Other fees shall be levied to cover the cost of various services provided by the *Town* in relation to the supply of water.

Billing Adjustments

75. On application from a *Customer*, the *CFO* is delegated the authority to adjust water billings to account for anomalies including but not limited to faulty meters, undetected leaks, provided the *Customer* has taken reasonable steps to correct such leaks, water supply disruptions lasting more than one week or natural disasters. In considering such requests, the *CFO* will abide with policies that may be set by resolution of Council from time to time. If the *Customer* is dissatisfied with the decision of the *CFO*, he or she may submit an appeal to *Council*, whose decision shall be final.

Penalty for late payment

Amended by Bylaw 1351.03 Dec. 12, 2016

76. Failure to receive notice of amounts owing, including but not limited to invoices and property tax notices, does not negate the responsibility of the property owner to pay the *Town* for fees and rates established by this bylaw.
77. All taxes, fees and invoices remaining unpaid after the due date shall incur a 10% penalty based on all the charges levied in the current billing period.

Unpaid service costs transferred to taxes

- 78.** Any taxes, fees or charges levied under this bylaw or other bylaw related to the water supply system, that remain unpaid after December 31st of each year shall bear interest at a rate set by the Province, and shall be transferred to the Provincial tax roll as taxes in arrears on the *Parcel* to which they relate.

Read a first and second time on the 12 day of May, 2014.

Read a third time by unanimous consent of all members of *Council* on the 9th day of June, 2014.

Adopted on the 23rd day of June, 2014.

Original signed by Mayor

Original signed by Corporate Officer

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Amended by Bylaw 1351.04 Dec. 11, 2017

SCHEDULE “A” – WATER FEES AND CHARGES

The following fees and charges are applicable in connection to services provided under this Bylaw:

In-Town Water Parcel Tax – section 57	\$135.90	/parcel/year
Area C Water Parcel Tax – section 58	\$135.90	/parcel/year
Reserve Water Service Fee – section 59	\$135.90	/parcel/year
Metered User Fees – section 60		
Water consumption (<i>Non-Farm Irrigation</i>)	\$0.65	/cubic metre
Water consumption (All other uses)	\$0.65	/cubic metre
Meter Base Rate		
16 mm and 20 mm (5/8” and 3/4”) standard	\$154.45	/water meter/year
25 mm (1”) standard	\$324.95	/water meter/year
40 mm (1.5”) standard	\$614.05	/water meter/year
50 mm (2”) standard	\$1,114.40	/water meter/year
75 mm (3”) standard	\$2,370.85	/water meter/year
100 mm (4”) standard	\$4,057.25	/water meter/year
125 mm (5”) standard	\$8,563.00	/water meter/year
150 mm (6”) standard	\$8,563.00	/water meter/year
150 mm (6”) fire	\$4,974.00	/water meter/year
200 mm (8”) fire	\$9,640.30	/water meter/year
Normal Flat Rate User Fees – section 61		
<u>Irrigation</u>		
<i>Farm Irrigation</i> high pressure	\$224.80	/acre/year
<i>Farm Irrigation</i> low pressure	\$129.30	/acre/year
<i>Farm Irrigation</i> low pressure on the <i>Reserve</i>	\$64.65	/acre/year
<i>Non-Farm Irrigation</i> high pressure	\$807.35	/acre/year
<i>Non-Farm Irrigation</i> low pressure	\$465.75	/acre/year
Late <i>Farm Irrigation</i> high pressure	\$1.65	/acre/day
Late <i>Farm Irrigation</i> low pressure	no charge	/acre/day

SCHEDULE “A” – WATER FEES AND CHARGES (continued)

<u>Residential</u>		
Single Family, Duplex, or mobile homes not in a mobile home park	\$417.60	/unit/year
3-plex, 4-plex, townhouse, mobile homes in a manufactured home park	\$327.40	/unit/year
Apartment, secondary suite, cabin	\$158.15	/unit/year
<u>Irrigation</u>		
<i>Non-Farm Irrigation</i> high pressure	\$807.35	/acre/year
<u>Commercial/Industrial/Institutional</u>		
Office, hall, bakery, salon, funeral home, convenience store or other small business	\$185.30	/year
Motel or Hotel	\$139.60	/room/year
Campground	\$49.40	/site/year
Restaurant or beverage room up to 25 seats	\$397.80	/year
26-49 seats	\$595.50	/year
Each additional 25 seats or portion	\$198.90	/year
Garage, Service Station, Theatre, Bowling Alley, Convenience Store	\$397.80	/year
Grocery Store over 10,000 square feet	\$1,242.05	/year
Laundromat or Car Wash	\$121.10	/washer or bay/year
Church	\$259.45	/year
Hospital, Extended Care or Long Term Care Facility	\$259.45	/bed/year
School	\$259.45	/classroom/year
Community Hall, Arena, Curling Rink, Public or Commercial Swimming Pool	\$1,313.30	/year

SCHEDULE “A” – WATER FEES AND CHARGES (continued)

Maximum Flat Rate Fees – Section 62		
19 mm (3/4”) service	\$6.60	/day
25 mm (1”) service	\$9.90	/day
38 mm (1.5”) service	\$19.60	/day
50 mm (2”) service	\$29.50	/day
75 mm (3”) service	\$78.60	/day
100 mm (4”) service	\$144.10	/day
150 mm (6”) service	\$229.20	/day
Temporary Service User Fees – Section 68		
Temporary service connection fee	\$75.00	/connection
Temporary service assembly rental fee		
25 mm (1”) service without <i>Backflow Preventer</i>	\$10.00	/day
25 mm (1”) service with <i>Backflow Preventer</i>	\$20.00	/day
50 mm (2”) service with <i>Backflow Preventer</i>	\$30.00	/day
Metered temporary service consumption charge	\$0.65	/cubic metre
Flat rate temporary service consumption charge		
16 mm (3/4”) service	\$6.60	/day
25 mm (1”) service	\$9.90	/day
50 mm (2”) service	\$29.50	/day
Temporary service from <i>Canal</i> : same connection fee as above plus	50%	of above consumption charges
Meter testing fee – section 70		
Hose and bucket test on site	\$50.00	/meter/test
Testing and certification by third party	\$150.00	/meter/test
Flow control testing fee – section 34		
	\$50.00	/device/test

SCHEDULE “A” – WATER FEES AND CHARGES (continued)

New connection fees and charges – section 71		
Application review fee including inspection	\$100.00	/application
All <i>Public Water System</i> capacity reviews, engineering assessments, upgrade designs, materials, labour equipment and contractor costs related to increasing or expanding the <i>Public Water System</i> to serve the application being applied for.	Full cost (1)	125% deposit prior to commencement of work
All costs incurred installing a connection from the <i>Public Water System</i> to the property line of the property to be serviced, including materials, equipment, labour and contract costs plus road, sidewalk and boulevard repair.	Full cost (2)	125% deposit prior to commencement of work
Administration fee for overhead costs	15%	of items (1) and (2) above; may be reduced at discretion of <i>Director</i>
General water connection fee – sub-section 71(10)		
(Commencing January 1, 2015)		
Irrigation Service	\$1,878	/acre
Non-Irrigation Services		
19 mm (3/4”) service	\$2,238	/connection
25 mm (1”) service	\$3,358	/connection
38 mm (1-1/2”) service	\$6,715	/connection
50 mm (2”) service	\$10,071	/connection
75 mm (3”) service	\$26,857	/connection
100 mm (4”) service	\$49,238	/connection
150 mm (6”) service	\$78,333	/connection

SCHEDULE “A” – WATER FEES AND CHARGES (continued)

Call-out Fees – section 73		
Call-out to address an emergency or other problem that is related to the <i>Public Water System</i>	\$0.00	No charge
Call-out to turn off service to a <i>Private Water System</i> if the call-out is attended to by a <i>Water Operator</i> during <i>Normal Working Hours</i>	\$0.00	No charge
Call-out to turn on service to a <i>Private Water System</i> if the call-out is attended to by a <i>Water Operator</i> during <i>Normal Working Hours</i>	\$0.00	No Charge
Call-out to turn off service to a <i>Private Water System</i> if the call-out is attended to by a <i>Water Operator</i> outside of <i>Normal Working Hours</i>	\$180.00	/ call out
Call-out to turn on service to a <i>Private Water System</i> if the call-out is attended to by a <i>Water Operator</i> outside of <i>Normal Working Hours</i> (can be waived if done within 2 hours of turn-off outside <i>Normal Working Hours</i>)	\$180.00	/call out

Other Fees and Charges – section 74		
Turn on water and resume billing after water service has been turned off for more than 30 days at the request of a <i>Customer</i> (service to be provided during normal work hours only)	\$75.00	
Late irrigation turn on after water service has been turned off at the request of a <i>Customer</i> (service to be provided during normal work hours only)	\$60.00	
Inspect a <i>Private Water System</i> following suspension of service by order of the <i>Director</i> for failure to comply with bylaw requirements (service to be provided during normal work hours only)	\$50.00 \$50.00	minimum per inspection; or /hour
Turn on water after passing inspection for correction of bylaw violations (service to be provided during <i>Normal Working Hours</i> only)	\$50.00	
Additional reading of water meter between normal billing cycles	\$50.00	
Low Pressure Domestic (Flat Rates)	\$239.70	
Cistern Fills	\$187.80	
Duplicate Billing Charge	\$13.60	
Retaining Fee	\$14.85	