

BY-LAW NO. 2013-11

## BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE THE SUPPLY OF WATER AND THE PRICE THEREOF FROM THE MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS

**WHEREAS** the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman has authorized the establishment, construction, maintenance and operation of a water works for the provision of water services to a portion of the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** under Sections 9, 10 and 391 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, a municipality may pass by-laws imposing fees or charges on persons for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it;

# NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NAIRN AND HYMAN HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. A water service rate is hereby imposed upon the owners of lands which are supplied with water to pay for the operation, repair and maintenance of the water works which may include a charge for depreciation, deferred maintenance or a reserve fund for any such purpose.
- 2. The minimum water service rate shall be a charge at the rate as set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
- 3. The water service rate established in Schedule "A" of this by-law shall be billed and collected periodically as part of the charge for the supply of water to each user and if billed more often than annually the minimum charge shall be divided by the appropriate amount.
- 4. Payment for the supply of water shall be due when billed.
- 5. Water rates shall be billed in advance and each bill shall indicate the following:
  - a) The regular applicable rate(s) as per schedule "A" attached to this by-law.
  - b) A discount rate of 10% for users submitting the total billed amount before the end of the billing month will be applied. The 10% discount rate does not apply to the minimum billing amounts on metered accounts. Calculations over the minimum billing amounts will be subject to the discount.
- 6. Water customers in arrears for a period of thirty (30) days may be sent one (1) outstanding notice by regular mail. If the rates are not paid in full within fifteen (15) days of this notice the service will be disconnected. The said service shall not be turned on again until the full amount of the indebtedness plus the turn on/off service charges has been paid in full.
- 7. A service charge shall be levied for turning on or off any water service and shall be charged at the rate set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
- 8. Water customers are permitted a yearly, one time only grace period for late payments of water service rates as follows:
  - a) Customers will be allowed one yearly late payment of their water billings without penalty provided that their water bills are paid to the municipal office within three (3) normal business days from the due date of the billing.

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- b) The one yearly grace period granted per customer will take effect from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> of every billing year.
- 9. A vacant building without a water meter and with no inhabitants is required to pay the full water service rate.
- **10.** This by-law shall come into force and take effect retro-active to January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013.

Read a first and second time this 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2013.
Read a third time and passed in open Council this 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2013.
(Original signature on file)
Mayor



SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 2013-11

#### 1. WATER CONSUMPTION FOR NON METERED ACCOUNTS

CLASSIFICATION MONTHLY RATE FOR EACH UNIT

Residential \$65.16

Apartments \$65.16

### 2. WATER CONSUMPTION FOR METERED ACCOUNTS

- a) For water consumer up to 500 cubic meters, as indicated by the meter, the water rate shall be \$2.46 cents per cubic meter.
- b) For water consumed in excess of 500 cubic meters, as indicated by the meter, the water rate shall be \$1.97 cents per cubic meter.
- c) A minimum monthly charge of \$130.33 shall be levied on each metered account.

## 3. SERVICE CHARGES

Service charges for turning on and/or turning off a water service shall be levied as follows:

- a) Turning off a water service during the months of May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup> of any year, the fee shall be \$26.25.
- b) Turning on a water service during the months of November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> of any year, the fee shall be \$52.50.
- c) If a request is filed to turn on or off a water service and the water service valve is not visible, the municipality shall levy a fee to locate and identify the valve at a cost of \$52.50.
- d) Turning on a water service during the months of May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup> of any year, the fee shall be \$26.25.
- e) Turning on a water service during the months of November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> of any year, the fee shall be \$52.50.