

VILLAGE OF LOUGHEED
BYLAW NO. 738/14

A BYLAW IN THE VILLAGE OF LOUGHEED, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO OPERATE THE SUPPLY OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE MUNICIPALITY AND THE LEVYING AND COLLECTING OF FEES AND CHARGES THEREFOR.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act* allows a municipality to pass Bylaws as well as designate authority with respect to public utilities and services provided by or on behalf of the municipality; and

WHEREAS the Village of Lougheed provides a water supply and distribution system, a sewage collection and disposal system, and a waste disposal service; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to make a charge against the property owners and others for whose convenience the said utilities and services have been provided.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Lougheed in the Province of Alberta enacts a Bylaw for the provision of utilities and services as follows:

This Bylaw may be cited as the Village of Lougheed "Utility Bylaw"

1. Definitions

- a. "Chief Administrative Officer" means the person appointed by Council to be the Chief Administrative Officer of the Village in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c M-26 as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time.
 - b. "Council" means the municipal council of the Village of Lougheed, duly assembled and acting as such.
 - c. "Village" means the Village of Lougheed in the Province of Alberta.
2. Any person or persons making application for utility services or to whom services are rendered from the Village shall make application for those services at the Village office. Such application shall be accompanied by a fee as specified in the Village of Lougheed Master Rate Bylaw as amended or replaced.
 3. A charge shall be made for the use of the water supply and distribution system, sanitary sewage collection and disposal system and for the provision of waste disposal services pursuant to the Village of Lougheed Master Rates Bylaw as amended or replaced.
 4. No utility account shall be setup for an occupant of a parcel of land who is not the owner for the use of the water supply and distribution system, sanitary sewer collection and disposal system or for the provision of waste disposal services.



5. The owner of a parcel of land may request a copy of the invoices be mailed to the occupant of the parcel of land, however the property owner shall receive the original invoice and shall be responsible for any charges incurred.
6. If in any case money deposited with the Village by any person, firm, or corporation for the purposes of water, sanitary sewer, waste disposal or other utilities or services remains unclaimed for a period of two (2) years after the account of the person, firm, or corporation so prepaying has been discontinued, the amount of the prepayment shall be transferred to the general revenue account of the Village.
7. The rates hereby imposed shall be payable by the property owner on or before the date which will be set out on the utility notice mailed or delivered to the property owner bi-monthly.
8. In the event the property owner is in default of payment of the said rates by the said date named, the Village shall have the right to disconnect the water supply to said property, or shall have the right to enforce payment of the said rates by transfer of the municipal services to the owner's tax account.
9. In the event that a property owner is in default of payment of the said rates by the said date, and the Village disconnects service(s) to the property owner, the property owner shall be subject to a reconnection fee pursuant to the Village of Loughheed Master Rates Bylaw.
10. All users of water services must allow the Village to install a water meter in a convenient place on the owner's premises and the Village or its duly authorized agent shall have the right to enter upon the owner's premises at periodic intervals to inspect the said meter and determine the amount of water used.
11. The water meters at all times remain the property of the Village of Loughheed and shall not be tampered with or interfered with at any time by the user or those under their control. Any damage to the meter shall be paid for by the property owner using the water services on the basis of costs of parts and labor required plus a service charge pursuant to the Village of Loughheed Master Rates Bylaw.
12. No person, other than an Authorized Employee shall turn off or on the water supply from the Village system to the owner's premises or attempt to do so.
13. The cost of connecting an owner's services to the Village at the property line of the owner shall be borne by the owner, but no such connection shall be made without notice to the Village of Loughheed nor until such time as the proper inspections have been made to ensure compliance with both Village and Provincial standards.

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14. No subscriber of a Village utility system/service shall by gift or otherwise discharge any of the services of the said systems for use outside the property for which the services are rendered.

15. If a person, firm or corporation:

- a. Willfully or maliciously hinders or interrupts or causes to be hindered or interrupt the Village or its contractors, servants, agents, workmen or any of them in the exercise of any of their powers and authorities related to public utilities by or contained in the *Municipal Government Act*;
- b. Willfully or maliciously lets off or discharges water so it runs waste and useless;
- c. Not being in the employment of the Village and not being a member of the fire department and authorized in that behalf, willfully opens or closes any hydrant or obstructs the free access to any hydrant, stop-cock, chamber pipe or hydrant chamber by placing on it any building material, rubbish or other obstruction;
- d. Throws or deposits any injurious, noisome or offensive matter into the water or water works or on the ice in case that water is frozen or in any way fouls the water or commits any willful damage or injury to the works or pipes, or encourages it to be done;
- e. Throws or deposits any injurious, noisome or offensive matter into the sanitary sewer system which in any way adversely affects the operation of the municipality's lagoon;
- f. Willfully alters a meter placed on any service pipe or connection with it inside or outside any house, building, or other place so as to lessen or alter the amount of water registered by it, unless specifically authorized by the Village for that particular purpose or occasion;
- g. Lays or causes to be laid or attached any pipe or main or wire rod to communicate with any pipe or main or wire or rod of the public utility or in any way obtains or uses any water thereof without consent of the Village;
- h. Willfully and without authority enters, interrupts, or cuts off the supply of any public utility;

are guilty of an offense and liable to a fine of not more than \$25,000.

16. Any charges provided for under this Bylaw shall constitute debts recoverable by action in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.

17. All prior Bylaws in the Village of Lougheed pertaining to Public Utilities are hereby repealed.

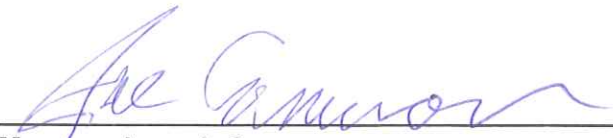
18. This Bylaw shall come into effect on the day of final passing thereof.

Read a FIRST time this 21st day of August, 2014


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Read a SECOND time this 21st day of August, 2014

Read a THIRD time and finally passed this 21st day of August, 2014



Mayor – Joseph Cameron



Interim CAO – Sandy Otto