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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

COMMITTEE: FINANCE

CHAIRPERSON: COUNCILLOR G. THIBERT

DEPT. HEAD: FRANCINE DESORMEAU, CAO/TREASURER

TITLE: 2022 SETTING OF WATER RATES

22-07 Draft By-Law Item Policy Recommendation

Mayor D. Backer and Members of Council:

At the special meeting of Council on Monday, February 7th Council was provided with the water/wastewater budgetary requirements for the current year.

At the beginning of the regular meeting of Council on Monday, February 14th a public meeting was held to answer any questions either in support of or in opposition of the proposed three percent increase. No comments were received.

A ten-year Waterworks Capital Financial Plan was adopted by Council in 2020 which includes a three percent water rates increase each year to ensure the water/wastewater needs for the Department remains self sustainable as mandated by the provincial government.

This three percent increase represents an additional twenty-five dollars on an average residential water bill.

For these reasons the following is recommended:

Recommendation:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa adopt By-Law 22-07 to set the Water and Wastewater Rates for flat and metered water billings for the year 2022 which represents a 3% percent rate increase on all water rates.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor G. Thibert

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

BY-LAW NUMBER 22-07

BEING a By-law to establish water rates for 2022.

WHEREAS the Municipal Act provides for municipalities to charge a service rate for the continuance, operation, repair and maintenance of the water and wastewater systems.

AND WHEREAS Council discussed the setting of the 2022 water rates at their regular meeting of February 14, 2022;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Mattawa enacts as follows:

- 1. That the flat water rates for 2022 are hereby increased by 3%. The consumption rate based on cubic metres for metered residents and non-residents will increase accordingly.
- 2. That the attached Schedule "A" establishes the water and sewer rates for the year 2022.
- 3. The water and sewer rates are effective as of January 1, 2022.
- 4. A flat rate of \$125.00 per year will be added to a residential water bill if incorporating a fire suppression sprinkler system in addition to the normal charges. A \$250.00 per year flat rate will be added to commercial, institutional and multi-residences incorporating a sprinkler system.
- 5. Water bills will be processed and due in March and August 2022. The metered consumers' water billings remain quarterly and will be due in March, May, August, and October 2022.
- 6. That a penalty or interest of 1.25% shall be charged on all outstanding amounts remaining unpaid on the first day following a billing due date and on the first day of each following month that the account remains unpaid.
- 7. The Clerk, upon notice from the Treasurer of the amounts due and the person by whom it is due and the lands upon which the supply of water and / or sewer services were supplied, or upon which any work was done in connection with the supply of water or sewer services, enter any unpaid amounts for such service or work upon the Tax Collector's roll and be collected in the same manner and with the same priority as municipal real property taxes. Any uncollected amount, following the full transfer, shall be subject to a penalty or interest of 1.25% per month as in accordance with Section 5 above.

READ A FIRST and SECOND time this 28th day of February, 2022.

READ A THIRD time and FINALLY PASSED this 28th day of February

Mayor