

## Summary of Changes Appendix (Water Bylaw)

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Current	Recommendation	Rationale
<b>2.0 DEFINITIONS</b>		
	ADDED new definitions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cross Connection</li> <li>• Customer</li> <li>• Private Waterworks</li> <li>• Service Connection</li> <li>• Service Connection Fee</li> <li>• Service Connection Point</li> <li>• Water Meter</li> <li>• Water System</li> </ul>	The new definitions are included to provide clarity to terms used throughout the Bylaw.
<b>3.0 SUPPLY OF WATER</b>		
	ADDED new terms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outlines purpose of water supply</li> <li>• Provides limitations of water usage</li> <li>• Limits liability onto Morinville for supply interruptions</li> </ul>	These terms provide the framework for the water utility service levels and provides risk management and limited liability to Morinville.
<b>4.0 OWNERSHIP, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR OF WATERWORKS</b>		
	ADDED new terms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outlines which parties own the respective infrastructure</li> <li>• Outlines responsibilities of each party for repairs/maintenance</li> </ul>	These terms outline the responsibilities for repairs and maintenance and who owns what specific sections of the system. This is necessary to establish clear ownership.

*\*Note: Some sections have been renumbered due to the addition of new clauses and the removal of others.*

<b>5.0 PROTECTION OF WATER SYSTEM</b>		
	<p>ADDED new terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inclusion of the cross-control program / backflow preventer requirements</li> <li>• Provides authority to carry out inspections</li> </ul>	<p>This is a vital section of the Bylaw which regulates the cross-connection requirements. This is for public safety and ensuring contaminants do not enter the water system through unauthorized connections.</p>
<b>6.0 CONNECTING TO THE MUNICIPALITY'S WATER SYSTEM</b>		
	<p>ADDED new terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outline requirements necessary to connect to the water system</li> </ul>	<p>This section provides the framework for how property owners can connect and be serviced by the water system. This is setting a consistent standard for various types of properties.</p>
<b>8.0 METER TESTING</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous clause was to ensure water meters read between 95% to 105% accuracy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changed to between 95% to 100% accurate.</li> </ul>	<p>After legal review, their interpretation was that 100% accurate was the maximum and that 95% accuracy accounted for both higher or lower differences.</p>
<b>9.0 HYDRANTS</b>		
	<p>ADDED new terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outline responsibility of private hydrant owners</li> </ul>	<p>Private hydrants are an unmetered connected to the water system and should be maintained in good working order, not only for the assurance they can respond in fire emergencies, but also to safeguard against potential leaks and water wasting.</p>
<b>12.0 DISCONNECTING WATER SERVICE</b>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous clause was vague on the reasons applicable for shutting off water</li> </ul>	<p>ADDED new terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specified in greater clarity the reasons why the Municipality may shut off water for a property.</li> </ul>	<p>This provides an easier reference for residents to understand the reasons for water shutoff events.</p>
<b>15.0 ENFORCEMENT</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listed illegal use of water penalty</li> </ul>	<p>ADDED new terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New enforcement clauses that capture all aspects of the Bylaw</li> </ul>	<p>The old clause was insufficient as to balancing the potential severity that the public could potentially cause to our system</p>

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