

**TOWN OF MORINVILLE
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
MORINVILLE WASTEWATER UTILITY BYLAW
BYLAW 11/2022**

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A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF MORINVILLE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA IN RESPECT OF THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A WASTEWATER SYSTEM AND WASTEWATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM IN THE TOWN OF MORINVILLE

WHEREAS, the *Municipal Government Act* gives broad authority to Municipal Councils to govern in whatever manner Council deems appropriate, including the authority to regulate the provision of a local wastewater utilities;

AND WHEREAS, the *Municipal Government Act* also provides municipal Councils with the authority through bylaws to imposed fines and penalties for infractions of their bylaws.

NOWHEREFORE, the Municipal Council of the Town of Morinville, Alberta, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

This Bylaw may be cited as the "Town of Morinville Wastewater Utility Bylaw".

1.0 That every person, firm or corporation occupying property connected directly or indirectly with the sewage system of the Town of Morinville shall pay monthly to the said Town wastewater service charges set out in the *Morinville Fees and Charges Bylaw*.

2.0 WASTEWATER RATES

The Council may vary any of the said rates from time to time as outlined in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*.

3.0 READINGS AND BILLINGS

That a utility bill showing the current service charges to the user shall be delivered to all users every month.

Payment of the amount shown for wastewater services charges shall be made within twenty (20) days following the date that the utility bill is mailed. The wastewater service charges shall be combined on the same utility bill with water services charges for the Town of Morinville, but the wastewater service charges shall be calculated separately, and separate entries shall be made on the said utility bill. Payment may be made at Town Hall during regular operational hours. Payment may also be made online, through telephone banking, at most financial institutes in Canada or through pre-authorized payment plan.

4.0 ESTIMATED CONSUMPTION

Should a water meter cease to operate between meter reading periods, billing of the account will be done on an estimated consumption for the period. The estimate will be based on previously obtained consumption figures.

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5.0 PENALTY

In the event that such utility bill remains unpaid after twenty (20) days following the date on which the utility bill was mailed, there shall be added thereto by way of a penalty, an amount which shall be two and one half (2.5) percent of the then unpaid current utility bill. The said penalty shall be added to and shall form part of the unpaid utility bill.

That in case of default in payment of the wastewater services charges, the Town of Morinville may enforce payment by action in a Court of Competent Jurisdiction or alternatively by making the wastewater service charges in default a charge against or lien, shall be subject to the same penalties and shall be collected in like manner as municipal rates and taxes.

6.0 SEVERABILITY

6.1 This Bylaw shall take effect on the day signed.

6.2 If any Section or parts of this bylaw are found in any court of law to be illegal or beyond the power of Council to enact, such Section or parts shall be deemed to be severable and all other Section or parts of this bylaw shall be deemed to be separate and independent there from and to be enacted as such.

That Bylaw 11/2021 is hereby rescinded when Bylaw 11/2022 receives third and final reading.

READ for a first time on the 6th day of December, 2022.

READ for a second time on the 24th day of January, 2023.

READ for a third time on the 24th day of January, 2023.

ORIGINAL SIGNED

Simon Boersma
Mayor

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Naleen Narayan
Chief Administrative Officer