



The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Staff Report

Report Title: Water and Wastewater Fees 2023

Prepared By: Jodi MacArthur, Treasurer

Department: Treasury

Date: Feb. 17, 2023

Report Number: TR-2023-02-14

File Number: C11-TRE23

Attachments:

Recommendation:

That Township of Huron-Kinloss Council hereby receives Report Number TR-2023-02-14 prepared by Jodi MacArthur, Treasurer AND FURTHER approves the changes to the water and wastewater fees as presented AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate by-law coming forward.

Background:

The water system financial plan and the asset management plan recommend annual increase to water and wastewater rates to ensure system sustainability.

Discussion:

Based on the operating requirements and infrastructure needs of the Township's drinking water and wastewater systems, the following fee changes are proposed:

Description	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Water Service Rate (Lakeshore, Whitechurch, Ripley and Lucknow)	\$485.00/unit/year	\$490.00/unit/year
Water Service Rate (metered customers)	\$1.51/m ³ Minimum charge \$485.00/year	\$1.52/m ³ Minimum charge \$490.00/year
Water Works Distribution Rate	\$230.00	\$230.00

Sewer Service Rate Ripley	\$400.00/unit/year	\$425.00/unit/year
Sewer Service Rate Lucknow	\$500.00/unit/year	\$525.00/unit/year

Financial Impacts:

The recommended rates are required to effectively maintain the water and wastewater systems, as these systems are 100% user pay and not subsidized by property taxes.

The proposed changes will result in an annual increase of \$5.00 for households on the Lakeshore and Whitechurch water systems. Ripley and Lucknow households will increase by a total of \$30.00 for annual water and sewer fees.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

The information provided in this report is consistent with and in keeping with the municipality’s Vision and Mission.

We are a prosperous community that continues to grow in a sustainable manner by investing in infrastructure;

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone by having amenities and services nearby and being open and transparent; and

We are an environmentally conscious community that are good stewards of our natural environment by protecting our natural assets, using our resources wisely and being aware and taking responsibility.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Jodi MacArthur, Treasurer

Report Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer