BYLAW 2009-9

A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF LAMPMAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF THE WATERWORKS SYSTEM AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM.

WHEREAS the Council maintains a waterworks system and may regulate the distribution and use of water in the Municipality; and

WHEREAS the Council maintains a sanitary sewer system and deems necessary that properties or premises are drained or required to be drained into the sanitary sewer system;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Lampman enacts as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS:

In this bylaw the words:

PERSON, PERSONS, CONSUMER, CONSUMERS, CUSTOMER, CUSTOMERS are synonymous, and mean the person or persons, organizations, corporations, etc., responsible for the payment of charges for water and sewer services.

TOWN or MUNICIPALITY means the Town of Lampman, its employee or employees whose employment requires them to undertake certain works under this bylaw.

2. <u>WATERWORKS AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM:</u>

- 1. Every person desiring to have his premises connected to the waterworks system shall apply to the Town for such service.
- 2. The Council may cause to be installed in the premises of every person applying for or receiving water service, a meter to be placed upon any service pipe or connection in the premises to the satisfaction of the Town.
- 3. Every person desiring to receive or to continue to receive water service shall deposit with the Town the following fee for each meter:

5/8" or 3/4"	-	\$ 70.00
1 inch	-	\$100.00
1 ½ inch	-	\$200.00
2 inch	-	\$300.00

Provided that where any person receiving water service notifies the Town that he intends to cease to receive water service, such meter deposit fee shall be refunded to the original depositor.

- 4. Every person receiving water service shall provide at this own expense a suitable place in his premises for the installation of the water meter.
- 5. No service will be given and any existing service may be discontinued without notice where no meter has been installed.

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- 6. In the event of any consumer failing to pay the meter fee upon demand, water service may be cut off from the consumer.
- 7. Where more than one meter is required in any premises the full fee for such additional meter or meters shall be deposited with the Town before service is provided through such meter.
- 8. Every owner, tenant or occupant shall give every facility for the installation of water meters and shall protect same from frost and other injury so that the meter shall not in any way be damaged thereby. In cases where the Town considers any meter insufficiently protected from frost, the water may be cut off until measures have been taken for its protection to the satisfaction of the Town.
- 9. The Town Administrator may, with or without any request of any person, or shall upon request by any consumer, remove any meter placed under the provisions of this bylaw that is suspected of not correctly measuring the quantity of water delivered through the same and have the meter tested. If the meter is found to register less than Five Percent (5%) over or Five Percent (5%) under the actual quantity, it shall be deemed to be correct. Any consumer requesting the testing of his meter shall with the said application deposit \$50.00 with the Town Administrator to cover the cost of the said test, which cost shall be refunded to the consumer if the meter shows an incorrect measurement of more then Five Percent (5%), otherwise the deposit shall be retained by the Town.
- 10. In the event that a meter when checked is found to have failed to register correctly during any portion of the preceding three-month period, the amount of water consumption for such period shall be taken to be either the same as that of the next previous period in which the meter has registered correctly or the same as that of the corresponding period in the next preceding year, whichever may be more advantageous to the consumer.
- 11. Consumers receiving water service in such premises as residences and such other similar premises as the Council may from time to time specify, shall classified at a rate known as "Domestic or Residential Rate".
- 12. The collection of the charges for water service, cut-off and resumption of such services, sums collected from customers and the supervision of all books, accounts and other records in connection with the water service shall be under the immediate control of the Town Administrator.
- 13. The Town may enter the premises of any customer at any reasonable time, for the purpose of installing or reading meters, examining pipes and fixtures, repairing same or ascertaining the quantity of water used and the manner of its use.
- 14. No person other than the Chairman of Water Works, Town Administrator, Utility Man, Town Foreman, or a person authorized by any of them, or members of the Fire Department in the regular course of their duty, shall open, close or interfere with any hydrant, gate or valve connected with the waterworks system, and no person shall in any way interfere with any stop-valve, pipe or other waterworks appliance outside of his premises, nor shall he interfere with any meter, whether inside or outside of his premises.

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- 15. No person shall turn water on in any premises or open a Town valve or curb-stop except the Town Administrator, Utility Man, Town Foreman, or a person authorized by any of them. When water has been turned off for non-payment of rates or for failure to protect meters or pipes to the satisfaction of the Town or for any other necessary or proper reason, no person shall turn it on again who is not duly authorized to do so.
- 16. For the purpose of making repairs to the mains or of connecting or repairing service pipes or constructing extensions or new work or any other work, the Town shall have the right to shut off the water from any customer without notice and to keep it shut off as long as may be necessary to enable the work to be completed.
- 17. The Town shall not be liable for damages caused by: the breaking of a service pipe or attachment; shutting off water to repair mains or connections; shutting off water for failure to pay water and sewer utility account; shutting off water upon request from the owner or his/her representative for any reason.
- 18. The Municipality may by bylaw ration or limit the amount of water furnished to any and/or all consumers should circumstances deem to warrant such action.
- 19. Every customer intending to vacate any premises supplied with water from the waterworks system or who intends to discontinue the use of such water, shall give notice of the same to the Town and shall turn off the stop-valve on the inside of the building before leaving.
- 20. To prevent freeze-up, the Town may authorize or instruct the consumer to connect a "bleeder" line or open a tap. The additional gallonage of water thus consumed to be estimated and deducted from the charges made to the consumer during the period the water is permitted to run. This paragraph applies only where the Town is satisfied the service pipes outside the private property are not at a sufficient depth below the surface of the ground to prevent freeze-up.
- 21. Where a consumer permits a water meter to freeze up and damage to the meter results, repairs shall be made by the Town and the cost of materials and labour shall be added to the consumer's account.
- 22. The Town shall have the right to ration water for any reason or to reduce water pressure for any reason.

3. <u>SEWAGE SYSTEM:</u>

1. The Town Administrator shall render an account of the rent or service charge covering a period of three successive months, on or before the first day of the month next following such period, and such rent or charge shall be paid by the end of the month in which the said account was rendered.

4. WATER AND SEWER SERVICE CONNECTION:

1. Upon written application of the owners of abutting lots, sewer and water connections may

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be constructed extending from the sewer or water main to the street line or to any building or buildings on the lots. The cost of construction shall be assessed against the properties affected.

- 2. The amount to be assessed in respect of each connection shall be calculated as from the centre of the street, whether or not the main to which the connection is made is laid in the centre of the street.
- 3. The assessment of cost for each connection shall be payable in a lump sum by the owner on demand to the Municipality, or if not paid may be collected forthwith in the same manner as water rates.
- 4. All expenses for the cleaning or clearing of blocked sewer connections shall be the responsibility of the of the owner or occupant regardless of whether the problem occurs in Town or private property; provided, however, if the problem is that of broken line on Town property, the Town shall be responsible.

5. GENERAL:

- 1. For the purpose of this bylaw the payment by a consumer of any rates or levies charged hereunder shall constitute acceptance of a contract for the supply of such services between the Town and such consumer in accordance with this bylaw and subsequent amendments which may be added from time to time.
- 2. Any person found guilty of a breach of any provision of this bylaw, or any person interfering with or obstructing the Meter Man, Utility Man or their duly authorized assistants in their work shall be guilty of an offence and liable upon summary conviction to the penalties imposed by the General Penalty Bylaw of the Town of Lampman.
- 3. Bylaw No. 2003-11 is hereby repealed.
- 4. This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon final passing thereof.

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Mayor

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Administrator

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No. 2009-9 passed by resolution of Council present at their regular meeting held on the 11th day of June, 2009

Administrator