# TOWN OF EASTEND BYLAW No. 772/2024

A BYLAW TO REGULATE THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER METERS, AND UTILITY DEPOSIT FEES.

The Council of the Town of Eastend, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

## Interpretation:

- 1. For the purpose of this bylaw the expression
- (a) "municipality" shall mean the Town of Eastend

## Scope of Bylaw:

- 2. Remote readout water meters shall be installed in every connection to the municipal water distribution system.
- 3. All meter deposits received prior to the passage of this bylaw remain in effect until such time as there is a change or transfer in the service.
- 4. Property owners desiring to be supplied with water from the municipal system must make application to the municipality.
- 5. The water deposit to accompany the application shall be in the amount of:

#### **METER DEPOSIT FEES:**

for a 5/8 inch meter with remote readout \$ 75.00

for a 3/4 inch meter with remote readout \$125.00

for a 1 inch meter with remote readout \$175.00

for a 1 1/2 inch meter with remote readout \$350.00

for a 2 inch meter with remote readout \$450.00

#### METER INSTALLATION CHARGES:

Meter installation charges shall be in the amount of: \$50.00

6. The water meter deposit shall be refunded upon service being discontinued and all water charges paid in full. The municipality may retain the portion owing on water and sewer billing from the deposit before returning said deposit to the property owner.

## METER REMOVAL AND TESTING PROCEDURES:

- 7. If a property owner requests to remove a water meter because they feel that it may be inaccurate the following steps will be taken:
- (a) the site of the meter in question must first be checked for leaks by a plumber and the cost of the plumber's fees borne by the property owner.
- (b) if the site does not show evidence of leaks the Town staff will remove and test the meter in question.
- (c) if the meter proves to be inaccurate the meter will be replaced and a credit based on the percentage of inaccuracy will be applied to the first previous billing period and the current billing period to a maximum of six (6) months.
- (d) if the meter proves to be accurate a charge of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) will be levied against the property owner who requested the testing, to cover the cost of said testing.
- (d) the Town Foreman will keep a record of the amount of water used to test the meter and that amount will be credited to the property owner's account.

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8. Water meters shall remain the property of the municipality.

## Infraction of the Bylaw:

- 9. Any person who willfully damages or tampers with or breaks the seal on any meter shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this bylaw.
- 10. Any person who obstructs or refuses to admit authorized servants or agents of the municipality to have free access at proper hours of the day and upon reasonable notice given, and or request made, to all parts of the premises in which water is delivered, for the purpose of inspecting or repairing any service pipe or for the placing of meters upon any service pipe or connection within or without any building as he deems expedient and for the purpose of protecting or regulating the use of any meter shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this bylaw.

# Penalty:

- 11. Any person found guilty of an infraction of any of the provisions of this bylaw shall be liable to the penalties in the general penalty bylaw of the municipality.
- 12. Bylaw 736/2020 is hereby repealed.

Mayor

Administrator

Read a third time and adopted this 11th day of September, 2024.

Administrator