## UTILITY FEES AND CHARGES FOR 2023 BYLAW NO. 22-22

#### LEDUC COUNTY

A BYLAW ESTABLISHING FEES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICES PROVIDED BY LEDUC COUNTY AND THAT BYLAW NO. 20-21 BE RESCINDED.

#### **WHEREAS**

Leduc County provides wastewater services pursuant to the Wastewater Services Bylaw No. 35-18, which bylaw contemplates the imposition of rates, fees and charges set out in a fees and charges bylaw;

Leduc County provides water services pursuant to the Water Services Bylaw No. 31-14, which bylaw contemplates the imposition of rates, fees and charges set out in schedule of fees and charges adopted by council from time to time;

Leduc County provides solid waste services pursuant to the Solid Waste Bylaw No. 06-21, which bylaw contemplates the imposition of rates, fees and charges set out in a fees and charges bylaw; and

The Council of Leduc County wishes to establish rates, fees and charges for utility services provided by Leduc County pursuant to the above referenced bylaws as amended or replaced from time to time, which rates, fees and charges are to take effect on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2023;

#### **NOW THEREFORE**

be it resolved that the Council of Leduc County, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. This bylaw may be cited as the "Utility Fees and Charges Bylaw".
- 2. The fees and charges payable for water, wastewater and solid waste services shall be as detailed in Schedule "A", which is attached to and forms a part of this bylaw.
- 3. Bylaw No. 20-21 is rescinded upon this bylaw coming into force.
- 4. This bylaw comes into force on the 1st day of January, 2023.

Read a first time this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 2022.

Read a second time this 28th day of November, A.D. 2022.

Read a third time with the unanimous consent of the Council Members present and finally passed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 2021.

**MAYOR** 

COUNTY MANAGER



## **Fees and Charges**

Water Services
Part 1

1. The following rates, fees and charges are hereby established:

Water Rates	Service charge (GST not applicable)		Uniform rate
Item	Water meter size	Charge per month	Per cubic meter
Water meter services plus uniform rate	5/8" (16mm)	\$30.80	\$2.53
	3/4" (20mm)	\$46.20	\$2.53
	1" (25mm)	\$76.99	\$2.53
	1 1/2" (40mm)	\$153.99	\$2.53
	2" (50mm)	\$246.38	\$2.53
	3" (80mm)	\$492.76	\$2.53
	4" (100mm)	\$769.94	\$2.53
	6" (150mm)	\$1,540.00	\$2.53
Bulk water purchases			
Nisku and New Sarepta fill stations			\$4.60
Hydrant meter rental plus uniform rate		\$50.00/day	\$4.60
		\$150.00/week	\$4.60
		\$400.00/month	\$4.60

Other fees and charges for Water Services - GST not applicable	
Item	Service charge
Application for Water/Wastewater Services	
- Application fee-minimum 48 business hours notice required	
New service	\$50.00 flat fee
Transfer of service	\$50.00 flat fee
Request for duplicate invoices	\$50.00 flat fee
Water System reconnection fee	
Administration fee - required after disconnection or if payment is received after cut-off date. Reconnected only after full payment of the account.	\$25.00 flat fee
Meter installation	
Minimum 48 business hours notice required	\$60.00 flat fee/meter
Customer requested water meter testing fee*	
5/8" - 2"	\$150.00/test
Greater than 2"	\$325.00/test
Annual private fire hydrant visual inspections fee <sup>1</sup>	\$4.26/month per private hydrant
Service request <sup>2</sup>	\$60.00/hour
Special read <sup>3</sup>	\$40.00/per road
Water turn-on request	\$60.00/request
Water System after hours call out	
First hour (minimum charge)	\$90.00/hour
Each additional hour thereafter	\$60.00/hour
Credit card payments over \$5,000 - processing fee	3% of total payment
*Refundable if meter is determined to be faulty	

#### Part 1 - Fees and Charges for Water Services continued...

- 2. Where water services to a user have been shut-off, disconnected or discontinued, the user shall continue, for the duration of the shut-off, disconnection or discontinuance of service, to be obligated to pay all applicable non-consumption related rates, fees and charges set out in this Bylaw, or the Water Services Bylaw, including, without restriction, all applicable fixed charges for water services.
- 3. In this section,
- <sup>1</sup> "Private fire hydrant visual inspection" means a mandatory visual inspection conducted by the County on a fire hydrant on private property within the Service Area in the spring and fall of each year; service includes a hydrant pump out in the fall, but excludes hydrant operation.
- <sup>2</sup> "Service request" means a request by a user for an optional service that provides a direct benefit to the User exclusively.
- <sup>3</sup> "Special read" means a meter read that is outside the regularly scheduled billing cycle, including a requested re-read, final read, or smart meter data download.



## **Fees and Charges**

**Wastewater Services** 

Part 2

4. The following rates, fees and charges are hereby established:

Wastewater Rates	Service charge (GST not applicable)		Uniform rate
Item	Water meter size	Charge per month	Per cubic meter
Wastewater Services Service areas connected to Water Services	5/8" (16mm)	\$15.29	\$2.23
	3/4" (20mm)	\$22.93	\$2.23
	1" (25mm)	\$38.21	\$2.23
	1 1/2" (40mm)	\$76.43	\$2.23
	2" (50mm)	\$122.29	\$2.23
	3" (80mm)	\$244.57	\$2.23
	4" (100mm)	\$382.14	\$2.23
	6" (150mm)	\$764.50	\$2.23

Other fees and charges for Wastewater Services - GST not applicable	C	
Item	Service charge	
Hamlet Wastewater Services and users who are exclusively connected to		
Wastewater System		
Hamlets of Buford, Kavanagh, Sunnybrook, Looma and Rollyview	\$51.75/month	
Other customers in the wastewater service area not connected to water		
services, but connected to wastewater services	\$51.75/month	
Nisku Wastewater transfer station		
Charged to approved wastewater trucking companies	\$24.29 per axle per load	
New access card	\$30.00/card	
Replacement access card	\$40.00/card	
Application for Water/Wastewater Services		
- Application fee - minimum 48 business hours notice required		
New service	\$50.00 flat fee	
Transfer of service	\$50.00 flat fee	
Request for duplicate invoices	\$50.00 flat fee	
Service request	\$60.00/hour	
Wastewater System after hours call out charge		
Minimum charge	\$90.00 first hour	
Additional hour thereafter	\$60.00/hour	
Credit card payments over \$5,000 - processing fee	3% of total payment	

5. For greater certainty, the above referenced fixed charge (service charge) for wastewater services shall be based upon the size of the water meter associated with the user or property in question, and the above referenced consumption rate (uniform rate) shall be based upon the quantity of treated water delivered to the user.

#### Part 2 - Fees and Charaes for Wastewater Services continued...

- 6. Where wastewater services to a user have been shut-off, disconnected or discontinued, the user shall continue, for the duration of the shut-off, disconnection or discontinuance of service, to be obligated to pay all applicable non-consumption related rates, fees and charges set out in this Bylaw, or the Wastewater Services Bylaw, including, without restriction, all applicable fixed charges for wastewater services.
- 7. If a wastewater main is available in front of a Nisku Business Park property and the property is not
- 8. In this section,
  - (a) Service request means a request by a user for an optional service that provides a direct benefit to the User exclusively.
  - (b) Axle means the drive axle of a truck that hauls Wastewater. A maximum of two axles will be charged

#### Over strength surcharge and additional over strength surcharge

- 9. In this Section,
  - (a) "Additional over strength surcharge" has the same meaning as in the Wastewater Services Bylaw;
  - (b) "Additional over strength concentration limit" means the concentration limit, in mg/L, of a substance set out in column B of schedule "C" of the Wastewater Services Bylaw;
  - (c) "Additional over strength surcharge mass" means the mass, in kg, of a substance, to which the additional over strength surcharge specified in this section is applied, which mass is determined by applying additional over strength surcharge mass = ((measured substance concentration additional over strength)
    - (d) "Substance" means a substance identified in Schedule "C" of the Wastewater Services Bylaw
    - (e) "Over strength concentration limit" means the concentration limit, in mg/L, of a substance set out in
    - (f) "Over strength surcharge" has the same meaning as in the Wastewater Services Bylaw;
  - (g) "Over strength surcharge mass" means the mass, in kg, of a substance, to which the over strength surcharge specified in this section is applied, which mass is determined by applying the following formula:

    Over strength surcharge mass = ((Measured substance concentration Over strength concentration limit) x water volume) x 1,000,000 (to convert mg to kg)
  - (h) "Measured substance concentration" means the concentration, in mg/L, of a substance found in Wastewater discharged, by the user, into the Wastewater System; and
  - (i) "Water volume" means the volume of treated water delivered to, or consumed by, the user, during the preceding year, determined in accordance with the Wastewater Services Bylaw.

#### Part 2 - Fees and Charges for Wastewater Services continued...

10. The following over strength surcharges and additional over strength surcharges are hereby established.

Wastewater Rates - GST not applicable	Service charge	
Substance	Over strength	Additional over strength surcharge
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	\$0.4324	\$0.4324
Chemical Oxygen Demand(COD)	\$0.4324	\$0.4324
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	\$0.3439	\$0.3439
Oil and Grease(O&G)-Animal and Vegetable		700.00
+Mineral and synthetic/hydrocarbon	\$0.2929	\$0.2929
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen(TKN)	\$2.0566	\$2.0566
Total Phosphorus(TP)	\$14.9265	\$14.9265

- 11. For greater certainty, when the measured substance concentration exceeds the corresponding additional over strength concentration limit, an additional over strength surcharge will be payable in addition to, not in lieu of, the applicable over strength surcharge.
- 12. Surcharges are based on the Alberta Capital Region Wastewater Commission surcharge rates.



# Fees and Charges Solid Waste Services Part 3

### 13. The following rates, fees and charges are hereby established:

Solid Waste Services	Service charge (GST not applicable)
Collection Fees - Waste and Recycling curbside pickup	
New Sarepta, Diamond Estates, Royal Oaks, Lukas Estates,	\$28.72/month
Nisku Hamlet	
Additional waste container rental and collection (minimum 6	\$28.72/month
month term)	
Replacement waste container	
To be charged at cost recovery to the customer	TBD
Solid Waste account set up or amendment fee	\$25.00/request
Transfer station access cards <sup>1</sup>	
Replacement card - 1st quarter (Sept - Nov)	\$40.00/card
Replacement card - 2nd quarter (Dec - Feb)	\$30.00/card
Replacement card - 3rd quarter (Mar - May)	\$20.00/card
Replacement card - 4th quarter (Jun - Aug)	\$10.00/card
Additional card <sup>2</sup>	\$40.00/card
Temporary card	\$20.00/card
Village transfer station access card	
Single access card <sup>3</sup>	\$20.00/card
Credit card payments over \$5,000 - processing fee	3% of total payment

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Access Cards will be prorated quarterly, starting after one year from the date of issue: 0% reduction up to 3 <sup>2</sup>Limit of one additional card per residence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Village transfer station access card are only sold directly to Summer Villages or town administration; single



## **Fees and Charges**

General
Part 4

#### 14. The following rates, fees and charges are hereby established:

Item	Service Charge (GST not applicable)
Late Payment Charge <sup>1</sup>	
Water	2.6%
Wastewater	2.6%
Solid Waste	2.6%
Credit card payments over \$5,000 - processing fee	3% of total payment
A charge equal to 2.6% of the outstanding balance owing will	
be imposed if amounts owing for water, waste water or solid	2.6%
waste services are not paid when due.	