

BYLAW NO. 2012-011

A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF CHURCHBRIDGE TO REGULATE AND CONTROL THE USE AND CONSUMPTION OF WATER FROM THE MUNICIPALITY'S WATERWORKS SYSTEM; AND DISCHARGE OF SEWER INTO THE MUNICIPALITY'S SEWAGE SYSTEM.

The COUNCIL of the Town of Churchbridge, in the Province of Saskatchewan enacts as follows:

1. This Bylaw shall be cited as "The Water and Sewer Management Bylaw".
2. In this Bylaw
 - a. Municipality means the Town of Churchbridge
 - b. Administrator means Administrator of the Municipality.
3. The Town shall have exclusive jurisdiction and responsibility for the care and maintenance of all water and sewer mains laid in and parallel with the streets and avenues of the Town including plant and appurtenance thereto.
4. The Town reserves the right of access to, and control of, water curb stops installed in service connections on or adjacent to property lines, since the purpose of such stops is to provide the Town with such control.
5. All persons desiring to be supplied with water from the Municipality's water supply system and sewer system shall make application to the officials of the Municipality.
6. Each application shall be accompanied by a one hundred dollar (\$100.00) meter deposit.
7. The water meter deposit shall be refunded upon service being discontinued at the request, by the consumer, provided all water charges are paid in full.
8. Water meters must be installed in the water line within the building being served, at the owner's expense, and so located to permit easy access for the periodical reading by town employees. Approved water meters must be applied for at the Town Office, and a deposit made. Meter deposits under this section shall be known as "Property Owner Meter Deposits". All meters are required to be sealed by the Town employees and must not be removed. Broken seals are to be reported immediately to the Town Office. Breakage of meters, through carelessness, abuse or frost, shall render the property owner liable for cost to repair or replace.
9. A deposit of \$25.00 shall accompany any request to test the accuracy of a water meter against a test meter installed in the Town plant. A variation of 5% from the test meter shall be considered normal. Greater variation shall require the Town to repair/replace the defective meter, and the deposit shall be refunded. If the meter requested to be tested registers within the 5% variation, the complainant agrees to forfeit the deposit.
10. The Municipality shall have the right to limit the amount of water furnished to any customer, shall circumstances seem to warrant such action.
11. No person shall convey, sell, dispose of or give away or permit water to be carried or taken away or use it or supply it for the use or benefit of others.

12. The Town shall not accept responsibility for damage caused to basements, etc.. Due to “sewer backup”, whatever the cause. It is the property owner’s responsibility to have screw type covers in place on floor drains, or to have an approved anti back up type valve installed in order to prevent such an occurrence.
13. A) No person shall discharge into any drain, sewer or sewage system operated by the municipality of a harmful matter, substance or thing, whether liquid or solid, that would be injurious to health, life or property or that would injure pollute or damage any stream, watercourse, drain, sewer, sewage system or sewer treatment plant.
B) The service of any person or corporation who contravenes this section of the Bylaw shall be discontinued and shall be subject to penalties provided under the General Penalty Bylaw of the municipality.
14. Accounts for water and/or sewer service shall cover a period of three successive months in advance and shall be rendered on or before the first day of the month next following such periods.
15. If any rates, charges or rent in arrears remain unpaid on December 31, that amount shall be added to and thereby form part of the taxes on the land or building with respect to which the service was provided.
16. Any person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw for which no other penalty shall be guilty of an offence and liable to summary conviction to penalties provided under the General Penalty Bylaw of the municipality.
17. Bylaw 3-89 is repealed.
18. The rates, charges, tolls or rents contained in this bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon final reading.

Mayor

Administrator

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No.2012-011
adopted by Council with resolution #
on the ___ day of _____ 2012

Administrator