

BY-LAW NO. 2026-01

BEING A BY-LAW of the Rural Municipality of Whitehead to amend the water and wastewater rates for the Whitehead Utility By-law No. 2022-01

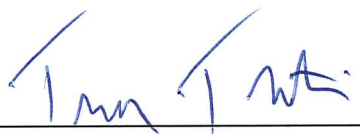
WHEREAS the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitehead Utility By-law No. 2022-01 establishes water and wastewater rates for the Whitehead Utility.

AND WHEREAS the request to pass through wholesale water rate increases from Manitoba Water Services was approved in Public Utilities Board Order No.50/23

NOW THEREFORE the Rural Municipality of Whitehead in regular session assembled, enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 2022-01 is hereby amended as follows:
 - a. Section 1 by:
 - i. Replacing schedule "A" with a revised schedule "A"
2. This by-law shall come into full force and take effect on the day following the date of passage.

DONE AND PASSED by the Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitehead duly assembled this 9th day of March, A.D. 2026.



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer

Read a first time this	9 th	day of February	A.D. 2026.
Read a second time this	9 th	day of February	A.D. 2026.
Read a third time this	9 th	day of March	A.D. 2026.

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEHEAD
WHITEHEAD WATER & WASTEWATER UTILITY
SCHEDULE "A" – BY-LAW NO.2022-01
SCHEDULE OF QUARTERLY RATES
[AM. B/L 2024-09]
[AM. B/L 2025-02]
[AM. B/L 2026-01]**

1. Schedule of Commodity Rates &
Quarterly Service Charge

July 1, 2023

Rates per 1,000 Gallons

1,000 Gallons per quarter

Water	Wastewater	Water & Wastewater
\$11.93	\$4.57	\$16.50

Quarterly Service Charge

\$11.42

2. Minimum Charges per Quarter

Notwithstanding the rates set forth in paragraph 1, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges per quarter set out below, which includes the water allowance as listed.

a) **Water & Wastewater Customers**

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Water Commodity Charge	Wastewater Commodity Charge	Water & Wastewater Total Quarterly Minimum	Water Only Total Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$11.42	\$35.79	\$13.71	\$60.92	\$47.21
3/4 inch	2	6,000	\$11.42	\$71.58	\$27.42	\$110.42	\$83.00
1 inch	4	12,000	\$11.42	\$143.16	\$54.84	\$209.42	\$154.58
1 ½ inch	10	30,000	\$11.42	\$357.90	\$137.10	\$506.42	\$369.32
2 inch	25	75,000	\$11.42	\$893.25	\$342.75	\$1,247.42	\$904.67

b) **Septic Truck Lagoon Tipping Fee Rate**

Septic truck haulers shall remit \$50.00 per load for septage hauled from customers located outside the boundaries of the RM of Whitehead.

Septic service haulers shall remit \$20.00 per load for septage hauled from customers located within the boundaries of the RM of Whitehead.

c) **Bulk Water**

All water sold in bulk shall be charged for at a rate of \$29.50 per 1,000 gallons on a pro rated basis for all quantities.

1. Schedule of Commodity Rates &
Quarterly Service Charge

July 1, 2024

Rates per 1,000 Gallons

1,000 Gallons per quarter

Water	Wastewater	Water & Wastewater
\$12.38	\$6.16	\$18.54

Quarterly Service Charge

\$13.99

2. Minimum Charges per Quarter

Notwithstanding the rates set forth in paragraph 1, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges per quarter set out below, which includes the water allowance as listed.

a) Water & Wastewater Customers

	Group	Water	Customer	Water	Wastewater	Water &	Water
Meter	Capacity	Included	Service	Commodity	Commodity	Wastewater	Only
Size	Ratio	Gallons	Charge	Charge	Charge	Total Quarterly	Total Quarterly
						Minimum	Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$13.99	\$37.14	\$18.48	\$69.61	\$51.13
3/4 inch	2	6,000	\$13.99	\$74.28	\$36.96	\$125.23	\$88.27
1 inch	4	12,000	\$13.99	\$148.56	\$73.92	\$236.47	\$162.55
1 ½ inch	10	30,000	\$13.99	\$371.40	\$184.80	\$570.19	\$385.39
2 inch	25	75,000	\$13.99	\$928.50	\$462.00	\$1,404.49	\$942.49

b) Septic Truck Lagoon Tipping Fee Rate

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Septic service haulers shall remit \$20.00 per load for septage hauled from customers located within the boundaries of the RM of Whitehead.

c) Bulk Water

All water sold in bulk shall be charged for at a rate of \$29.50 per 1,000 gallons on a pro rated basis for all quantities.

3. Schedule of Commodity Rates & Quarterly Service Charge

April 1, 2025

Rates per 1,000 Gallons

1,000 Gallons per quarter

Water	Wastewater	Water & Wastewater
\$13.35	\$6.16	\$19.51

Quarterly Service Charge \$13.99

4. Minimum Charges per Quarter

Notwithstanding the rates set forth in paragraph 1, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges per quarter set out below, which includes the water allowance as listed.

d) Water & Wastewater Customers

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Water Commodity Charge	Wastewater Commodity Charge	Water & Wastewater Total Quarterly Minimum	Water Only Total Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$13.99	\$40.05	\$18.48	\$72.52	\$54.04
3/4 inch	2	6,000	\$13.99	\$80.10	\$36.96	\$131.05	\$94.09
1 inch	4	12,000	\$13.99	\$160.20	\$73.92	\$248.11	\$174.19
1 ½ inch	10	30,000	\$13.99	\$400.50	\$184.80	\$599.29	\$414.49
2 inch	25	75,000	\$13.99	\$1,001.25	\$462.00	\$1,477.24	\$1,015.24

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f) Bulk Water

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1. Schedule of Commodity Rates &
Quarterly Service Charge

July 1, 2025

Rates per 1,000 Gallons

1,000 Gallons per quarter

Water	Wastewater	Water & Wastewater
\$13.53	\$7.48	\$21.01

Quarterly Service Charge

\$16.56

2. Minimum Charges per Quarter

Notwithstanding the rates set forth in paragraph 1, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges per quarter set out below, which includes the water allowance as listed.

a) Water & Wastewater Customers

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Water Commodity Charge	Wastewater Commodity Charge	Water & Wastewater	Water Only
						Total Quarterly Minimum	Total Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$16.56	\$40.59	\$22.44	\$79.59	\$57.15
3/4 inch	2	6,000	\$16.56	\$81.18	\$44.88	\$142.62	\$97.74
1 inch	4	12,000	\$16.56	\$162.36	\$89.76	\$268.68	\$178.92
1 ½ inch	10	30,000	\$16.56	\$405.90	\$224.40	\$646.86	\$422.46
2 inch	25	75,000	\$16.56	\$1,014.75	\$561.00	\$1,592.31	\$1,031.31

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Septic service haulers shall remit \$20.00 per load for septage hauled from customers located within the boundaries of the RM of Whitehead.

c) Bulk Water

All water sold in bulk shall be charged for at a rate of \$29.75 per 1,000 gallons on a pro rated basis for all quantities.

1. Schedule of Commodity Rates &
Rates per 1,000 Gallons

April 1, 2026

1,000 Gallons per quarter

Water	Wastewater	Water & Wastewater
\$14.53	\$7.48	\$22.01

Quarterly Service Charge \$16.56

3. Minimum Charges per Quarter

Notwithstanding the rates set forth in paragraph 1, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges per quarter set out below, which includes the water allowance as listed.

d) Water & Wastewater Customers

Meter Size	Group Capacity Ratio	Water Included Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Water Commodity Charge	Wastewater Commodity Charge	Water & Wastewater Total Quarterly Minimum	Water Only Total Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$16.56	\$43.59	\$22.44	\$82.59	\$60.15
3/4 inch	2	6,000	\$16.56	\$87.18	\$44.88	\$148.62	\$103.74
1 inch	4	12,000	\$16.56	\$174.36	\$89.76	\$280.68	\$190.92
1 ½ inch	10	30,000	\$16.56	\$435.90	\$224.40	\$676.86	\$452.46
2 inch	25	75,000	\$16.56	\$1,089.75	\$561.00	\$1,667.31	\$1,106.31

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b) Bulk Water

All water sold in bulk shall be charged for at a rate of \$29.75 per 1,000 gallons on a pro rated basis for all quantities.

2. Schedule of Commodity Rates &
Quarterly Service Charge

July 1, 2026

Rates per 1,000 Gallons

1,000 Gallons per quarter

Water	Wastewater	Water & Wastewater
\$14.69	\$8.79	\$23.48

Quarterly Service Charge

\$19.13

3. Minimum Charges per Quarter

Notwithstanding the rates set forth in paragraph 1, all customers will pay the applicable minimum charges per quarter set out below, which includes the water allowance as listed.

c) Water & Wastewater Customers

	Group	Water	Customer	Water	Wastewater	Water &	Water
Meter	Capacity	Included	Service	Commodity	Commodity	Wastewater	Only
Size	Ratio	Gallons	Charge	Charge	Charge	Total Quarterly	Total Quarterly
						Minimum	Minimum
5/8 inch	1	3,000	\$19.13	\$44.07	\$26.37	\$89.57	\$63.20
3/4 inch	2	6,000	\$19.13	\$88.14	\$52.74	\$160.01	\$107.27
1 inch	4	12,000	\$19.13	\$176.28	\$105.48	\$300.89	\$195.41
1 ½ inch	10	30,000	\$19.13	\$440.70	\$263.70	\$723.53	\$459.83
2 inch	25	75,000	\$19.13	\$1,101.75	\$659.25	\$1,780.13	\$1,120.88

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Septic service haulers shall remit \$20.00 per load for septage hauled from customers located within the boundaries of the RM of Whitehead.

e) Bulk Water

All water sold in bulk shall be charged for at a rate of \$30.00 per 1,000 gallons on a pro rated basis for all quantities.

The following clauses take effect July 1, 2023:

3. Billings and Penalties

Accounts shall be billed quarterly based on water used. A late payment penalty charge of 1 ¼% compounded monthly shall be charged on the dollar amount owing after the billing due date. The due date will be at least fourteen (14) days after the mailing of the bills.

4. Disconnection and Reconnection

a) The Public Utilities Board has approved the Conditions Precedent to be followed by the Municipality with respect to disconnection of service for non-payment including such matters as notice and the right to appeal such action to The Public Utilities Board. A copy of the conditions precedent is available for inspection at the Municipality's office.

b) Any service disconnected due to non-payment of account shall not be reconnected until all arrears, penalties and a reconnection fee of \$25.00 have been paid.

5. Liability for Charges

Pursuant to Section 252 (2) of the Municipal Act, the amount of all outstanding charges for water and Wastewater services, including fines and penalties, are a lien and charge upon the land serviced, and may be collected in the same manner in which ordinary taxes upon the land are collectible, and with like remedies

6. Service to Customers Outside Municipality's Limits

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Whitehead may sign Agreements with customers for the provision of Water and Wastewater services to properties located outside the boundaries of the Rural Municipality of Whitehead. Such Agreements shall provide for payment of the appropriate rates set out in this Schedule, as well as a surcharge, set by Resolution of Council, which shall be equivalent to the frontage levy, general taxes, and special taxes for the Utility purposes in effect at the time or may be in effect from time to time, and which would be levied on the property concerned if it were within Whitehead Utility boundaries. In addition, all costs of connecting to the Utility's mains, and installing and maintaining service connections, will be paid by the customer.

7. Hydrant Charges

The Rural Municipality of Whitehead, or any other hydrant owner, will pay to the Utility an annual fee of \$200.00 for each hydrant connected to the system which shall include the cost of water used for firefighting.

8. Water Allowance Due to Line Freezing

That in any case where, at the request of Council, a customer allows water to run continuously for any period of time to prevent the water lines in the water system from freezing, the charge to that customer for the current quarter shall be the average of the billings for the last two previous quarters to the same customer, or to the same premises if the occupant has changed.

9. Wastewater Surcharges

a) There may be levied annually, in addition to the rates set forth above, a special surcharge on sewage having a Biochemical Oxygen Demand in excess of 300 parts per million, to be set by Resolution of Council.

b) A special surcharge for substances requiring special treatment shall be charged based on the actual costs of treatment required for the particular sewage or industrial waste.

10. Water Meters

Water meters are owned by the Municipality but are the responsibility of the utility customer to maintain. If the water meter is broken, frozen, etc., the utility customer will be billed for a new meter at the current cost of replacement.

11. Meter Testing

That in any case where a utility customer requests that a meter be tested for accuracy, the customer will provide the Municipality with a deposit of \$150. The Municipality will then remove the subject meter and send it to an independent lab for testing. If the meter is found to be faulty, all costs associated with the testing process will be borne by the Municipality and the deposit will be refunded to the customer and the customer's account will be adjusted for the preceding four (4) months. If the meter is found to be in proper working order, all costs associated with the testing process will be borne by the customer and the customer will be billed or refunded any balance owing.

12. Cross Connections

No customer or person shall connect, cause to be connected or allow to remain connected any piping, fixture, fitting, container or appliance in a manner which under any circumstances may allow water, wastewater or any harmful liquid or substance to enter the Municipality's water system.

If a condition is found to exist which, in the opinion of the Municipality, is contrary to the aforesaid, the Municipality may either:

Shut off the service or services; or

Give notice to the customer to correct the fault at his or her own expense within a specified time period.

13. Conditions of Disrepair

In the event that there are conditions of disrepair in the Wastewater and water works on a property that detrimentally affects the system as a whole and, upon the failure of the owner of the property to correct the condition within a reasonable time, the Municipality, or its agents, may enter the property, effect repairs and charge the cost thereof against the subject property as ordinary taxes.

14. Authorization for Officer to Enter Upon Premises

Whitehead Regional Water Cooperative Employees, or other employee authorized by the Municipality in the absence of the be Whitehead Regional Water Cooperative Employees, shall be authorized to enter upon any premise for the purpose of:

Affixing to any pipe, wire or apparatus connected with any such utility, a meter or any other measuring or testing device; or taking readings from, repairing, inspecting or removing any meter or apparatus belonging to the Municipality.