

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GORE BAY

BY-LAW NO. 2024-11

BEING A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH FEES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE WITHIN THE TOWN OF GORE BAY AND TO ANYONE RECEIVING SUCH SERVICES

A By-law for the imposition of fees for Water and Sewer Service

WHEREAS Parts II and XII of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, permit municipalities to enact by-laws imposing fees for various services or matters;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to establish fees for water and sewer services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Gore Bay hereby enacts as follows:

1. That Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" attached hereto sets out the fees for 2024 for water and sewer services and forms part of this By-law.
2. That any and all By-Laws inconsistent with this By-Law are hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST AND TAKEN AS READ A SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED ON THIS 5TH DAY OF MARCH 2024.

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Mayor

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Clerk

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-12 Re: 2024 Water and Sewer Rates

| | Water | Sewer | Multiplier |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Base Residential rate | \$623.00 | \$497.00 | |
| Apartments | \$467.25 | \$373.00 | 75% of residential rate |
| Base Commercial Rate | \$467.25 | \$373.00 | 75% of residential rate |
| Modified Commercial Rate | \$934.50 | \$746.00 | 2 x base commercial rate |
| Farm with Livestock | \$1,869.00 | \$1,492.00 | 2 x modified commercial rate |
| Specialized Commercial | | | |
| Laundromat | \$2,803.50 | \$2,238.00 | 3 x modified commercial rate |
| Car Wash | \$2,803.50 | \$2,238.00 | 3 x modified commercial rate |
| Grocery Store | \$1,869.00 | \$1,492.00 | 2 x modified commercial rate |
| Food Service Rate | | | |
| Coffee Shop / Takeout | \$934.50 | \$746.00 | modified commercial rate |
| Restaurant/Lounge | \$1,869.00 | \$1,492.00 | 2 x modified commercial rate |
| Accommodation Rate | \$3,738.00 | \$2,984.00 | 4 x modified commercial rate |
| Bed & Breakfasts / AirBnB | | | |
| Residential Portion | \$623.00 | \$497.00 | base residential rate |
| Per Room | \$116.81 | \$93.25 | 25% of apartment rate per room |
| Industrial Rate | \$9,345.00 | \$7,460.00 | 20 x base commercial rate |
| Institutional Rate | | | |
| Nursing Home | \$14,952.00 | \$11,936.00 | 16 x modified commercial rate |
| Public School | \$9,345.00 | \$7,460.00 | 10 x modified commercial rate |
| Government Rate | | | |
| Post office/Service Ontario/LCBO | \$467.25 | \$373.00 | base commercial rate |
| OPP/MTO/Ambulance | \$934.50 | \$746.00 | modified commercial rate |
| Courthouse | \$2,803.50 | \$2,238.00 | 3 x modified commercial rate |
| Town Owned Buildings | | | |
| Harbour Centre/ Office/Town Garage | \$934.50 | \$746.00 | modified commercial rate |
| Marina | \$2,803.50 | \$2,238.00 | 3 -x modified commercial rate |
| Community Hall/Arena | \$1,869.00 | \$1,492.00 | 2 x modified commercial rate |
| Private Clubs | \$1,869.00 | \$1,492.00 | 2 x modified commercial rate |
| Legion | \$934.50 | \$746.00 | |

- Seasonal Buildings with no ability to access water services in winter months (prorate the annual rate and bill based on dates of available service)
- A sewage levy will not be imposed to properties not hooked into the Wastewater System.

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-12 Re: 2024 Water and Sewer Rates

1. Billing Notices and Due Dates

1.1. The Treasurer shall, no later than twenty-one days prior to the due date of the due date mail or cause to be mailed to the address of residence or place of business of the designated water and sewer users, a written or printed notice specifying the amount of water and sewer payable.

1.2. Water / Sewer bills shall be due and payable in two installments as follows:

- First Installment - last working day of June 2024
- Second Installment - last working day of November 2024; and,
- Non-payment of the amount on the above dates will constitute a default.

2. Methods of Payments

2.1. Water/Sewer shall be payable to The Corporation of the Town of Gore Bay and are payable:

- At the Municipal Office, 15 Water St, Gore Bay, Ontario;
- By mail to the Town of Gore Bay, PO Box 590, Gore Bay, Ontario, POP 1H0.
- Electronically using Etransfer (waterpayment@gorebay.ca)
- Via internet or telephone banking

2.2. The Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept part payment from time to time on account of any water/sewer fees due.

3. Interest and Default Collections

3.1. On all water/sewer fees which are in default shall be added a penalty of 1.25% per month.

3.2. For any properties within the geographical boundaries of the Town of Gore Bay, the Treasurer is authorized, as per the Municipal Act (398), to apply any default amounts for water / sewer services to the tax roll for the applicable property.

3.3. Pursuant to The Municipal Act, Chapter 25, Section 81, the Town of Gore Bay reserves the right to disconnect any service for non-payment of a past due water/sewer account. Any disconnection will require payment in full plus a \$50 reconnection fee prior to reconnection.

3.3.1. Any accounts more than 60 days past due will be provided written notice of intent to shut off water in 30 days.

4. Maintenance of Services

4.1. Water:

4.1.1. After installation and hook-up of a waterline, the Town of Gore Bay is responsible for all costs associated with the maintenance of a waterline from the connection at the main waterline to the owner's property line.

4.1.2. The Owner of the property being serviced is responsible for all costs associated with the maintenance of the services line(s) from inside the building to the curb-stop (water valve) connection.

4.2. Sewer:

4.2.1. After installation and hook-up of a sewer line, the Town of Gore Bay is responsible for all costs associated with the maintenance of a sewer main up to the property line.

4.2.2. The Owner of the property being serviced is responsible for all costs associated with the maintenance of the services line from inside the building to property line.

4.3. Any connections of water or sewer services from the property line to the building must be carried out under the supervision of the public works department.

5. **Connection / Shut Offs**

5.1. The following fees and regulations apply to water main services:

- 5.1.1. Change in service for seasonal residency or non-winter businesses (at owner's request through the Town Office)
 - Shut off fee \$50.00
 - Turn on fee \$50.00
- 5.1.2. Shut off for outside repairs for line running from curb-stop (valve) to building - no charge.
- 5.1.3. Shut off for inside repairs - no charge (owner opportunity to install inside shut off valve)

6. **New Service Connection Fees**

- 6.1. For a property which has not been previously serviced by Town Water and/or Sewer service the following shall apply:
 - All work associated with the installation of the line(s) shall be at the owner's expense.
 - Cost and installation of shut off valve(s) shall be at the owner's expense.
- 6.2. Any person(s) granted approval to hook onto the East Street waterline shall abide by Section 4.1 plus pay an additional \$2,000.00 per hook up.