

# PUBLIC NOTICES

## 8AM - 4PM SPECIAL SERVICES

Electric Outages.....	403.529.8260
Gas Emergency.....	403.529.8191
Water & Sewer Emergency.....	403.502.8042
After Hours Special Services.....	403.526.2828



Medicine Hat  
The Gas City

## GAS, ELECTRIC, WIND ENERGY RATES SET FOR AUGUST

Medicine Hat – The City of Medicine Hat has set its August energy commodity rates.

### Natural Gas

The August natural gas commodity rate of \$1.5025 per gigajoule (GJ), up from the previous month of \$0.2945 per GJ, for all customers is based on the average of the monthly gas charges set by Alberta gas distribution (pipes) owners.

August 2019 (per GJ)	Rate per GJ
Direct Energy Regulated Services (North and South)	\$1.029
AltaGas Utilities Inc.	\$1.976
<b>City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)</b>	<b>\$1.5025</b>

The City of Medicine Hat calculates the Monthly Reference Price based on the average of the rates approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission.

### Electricity

The August electricity rate of \$0.06800 per kilowatt hour, same as the previous month of \$0.06800 per kilowatt hour, for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial, Unmetered Services and Rental Lighting, is based on the average of the rates for owners whose regulated rate tariffs are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the Electric Utilities Act for that calendar month as posted by the Alberta Utilities Commission on its internet page under Regulated Rate Option Regulation.

August 2019 (per kilowatt hour)	Rate per kWh
Direct Energy Regulated Services	\$0.08673
ENMAX Energy Corporation	\$0.08805
EPCOR Energy Alberta GP (Edmonton)	\$0.10191
EPCOR Energy Alberta GP (outside Edmonton)	\$0.10024
<b>City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)</b>	<b>\$0.09423</b>
<b>City of Medicine Hat Rate Cap Regulation Order</b>	<b>\$0.06800</b>

In November 2016 the Government of Alberta announced a plan to cap the Regulated Rate Option at 6.8 cents per kilowatt hour. City of Medicine electric utility customers are protected under Ministerial Order 149/2017. During the period of January 1, 2018 – May 31, 2021 Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial, Unmetered Services and Rental Lighting customers will pay the lower of the Market Reference Price or the rate ceiling of 6.8 cents per kilowatt hour. The rate will automatically be applied to consumer's bills that are on the regulated rate.

The City of Medicine Hat calculates the Monthly Reference Price based on the average of the rates using the four Regulated Rate Option providers approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the Electric Utilities Act. This calculation aligns with the Regulated Rate Cap Regulation.

The August default electricity rate for Large Commercial, Industrial and Street Lighting customers is based on the monthly average Alberta Power Pool price as established and published by the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) plus \$0.02 per kilowatt hour. The rate for July was \$0.06099 per kilowatt hour.

The Electric Utility also offers a fixed electric commodity price for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial customers. The fixed rate for 2019 is \$0.06800 per kilowatt hour.

The Gas Utility offers a fixed natural gas commodity price for all rate class customers. The fixed rate for 2019 is \$5.80 per GJ.

### Going Green Charge

Customers also have a "Going Green" surcharge on their bill. This surcharge is for renewable energy purchased for residential, farm, small and medium commercial customers.

The Going Green surcharge is calculated monthly to recover costs incurred to purchase renewable energy.

The Going Green surcharge for August is \$0.0030 per kilowatt hour.

#### For further information, please contact:

Brad Maynes, Commissioner Energy & Utilities Division  
City of Medicine Hat • 403.502.8756

## WATER MAIN FLUSHING & FIRE HYDRANT INSPECTIONS

Environmental Utilities performs regular, routine maintenance to uphold the water quality and system infrastructure by annually flushing water mains and inspecting fire hydrants.

During these operations, there may be some discoloration in the water which is not harmful to consume and will disappear when flushing is complete. Please note that discoloured water should not be used for laundry and that fluctuating water pressure may also be noticed.

Should discoloration persist beyond three hours, turn on your cold water tap or an outside sprinkler and let the water run for several minutes until the water runs clear.

For additional information or to confirm whether crews are working in your zone, refer to the Water Flushing Programs page on the City's website at [www.medicinehat.ca/eu](http://www.medicinehat.ca/eu) or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176.

## DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED JULY 25 TO JULY 31, 2019 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

### RESIDENTIAL

<b>183 RANCHMAN CRESCENT NE</b>	(Lot 13, Block 14, Plan 0714516) DP15083. Single Detached House (Retaining Wall).
<b>52 CLARK CRESCENT SE</b>	(Lot 14, Block 7, Plan 7510668) DP15089. Garage Including Accessory Coverage Variance.
<b>111 SOMERSIDE ROAD SE</b>	(Lot 36, Block 3, Plan 1910371) DP15092. Garage.
<b>186 HERALD DRIVE NW</b>	(Lot 12, Block 4, Plan 7989HD) DP15094. Garage.
<b>242 RANCHVIEW CRESCENT NE</b>	(Lot 130, Block 13, Plan 0910426) DP15096. Single Detached House.
<b>42 SUNWOOD PLACE SW</b>	(Lot 22, Block 33, Plan 0510654) DP15097. Garage.
<b>11 ROSSLAND GREEN SE</b>	(Lot 21, Block 10, Plan 7711248) DP15099. Garage.
<b>22 TERRACE VIEW NE</b>	(Lot 6, Block 7, Plan 0513294) DP15101. Garage.
<b>306 PARK MEADOWS LANE SE</b>	(Lot , Block 64, Plan 9611988) DP15102. Single Detached House (Enclosed Deck).
<b>28 2 STREET NW</b>	(Lot 7, Block 10, Plan 726M) DP15105. Garage.
<b>58 STERLING LINK SE</b>	(Lot 6, Block 14, Plan 1111043) DP15109. Garage.

### COMMERCIAL

#### HOME OCCUPATION

<b>2114 7 AVENUE NE</b>	(Lot 9, Block 1, Plan 7410918) DP15103. Employees to Attend Site. Courier Service.
<b>423-22 PARK MEADOWS DRIVE SE</b>	(Lot , Block 48, Plan 9411754) DP15106. Office Use Only. Home Repair.
<b>1-1254 BRIDGE STREET SE</b>	(Lot 13, Block 18, Plan 481M) DP15107. Office Use Only. General Contractor/ Project Manager.

A person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Officer or the Municipal Planning Commission may appeal to the Medicine Hat Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by completing and submitting to the City Clerk Department, the required Notice of Appeal form within twenty one (21) days of this publication. Notice of Appeal forms are available from the City Clerk Department, Third Floor, City Hall or on the City's website at [www.medicinehat.ca](http://www.medicinehat.ca).

**All Development Permits listed are subject to conditions. Further information on any Development Permit may be obtained from the Planning & Development Services Department, Second Floor, City Hall during normal business hours (Telephone 403.529.8374).**

## RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION COLLECTION DAY CHANGES

There will be no residential waste collection on Monday, August 5, 2019 due to the Civic Statutory Holiday. Waste collection zones will advance as follows:

DATE	CITY ZONE
Monday, August 5	No Collection
Tuesday, August 6	Zone 2
Wednesday, August 7	Zone 3
Thursday, August 8	Zone 4
Friday, August 9	Zone 5
Monday August 12	Zone 1

Download the Recycle Coach App, refer to [medicinehat.ca/collectionschedule](http://medicinehat.ca/collectionschedule) or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176 for more information.

### CART COLLECTION TIPS

- Carts must be out by 7 a.m. on your collection day.
- Waste carts are collected separately with collection times that vary throughout the day.
- Make sure carts are accessible with 3ft (1m) clearance on all sides.
- Ensure cart lids are closed to avoid litter or collection problems.
- Contaminated blue recycling carts as well as yard waste material in plastic bags **will not** be collected.
- Prevent theft or damage to your carts! Remove carts off roadways, sidewalks, back lanes etc. and return to private property within 24 hours of collection.

## WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

Residents are reminded that the City of Medicine Hat Waste Management Facility will remain open on **Monday, August 5, 2019** and currently operates on regular (summer) hours from April 1 to October 31 as follows:

- Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Refer to [medicinehat.ca/eu](http://medicinehat.ca/eu), download the Recycle Coach App, or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176 for more information.

# Scientist says tropical fish documented by diver signal warming Atlantic waters

The Canadian Press

## HALIFAX

A marine biologist is taking notice of stunning images of tropical fish photographed by an amateur diver in the warming waters off Nova Scotia's southern shore.

Boris Worm of Dalhousie University - who has also been a diver for decades - says the seahorses, spotfin butterfly fish and bluespotted cornetfish would once have been considered a rarity in Nova Scotia.

"There's a sense these fish are becoming more numerous, and they are staying for longer," the biologist said in an interview.

As the weather gets warmer, the tropical species are remaining in the region for longer periods of time, though most are likely dying off in late fall as waters grow cold, he added.

Diver Lloyd Bond said he has been able to capture more digital images of the colourful species over the past six years at Paddy's Head in St. Margarets Bay and provide them to scientists like Worm.

"It's a double-edged sword, because you're pretty excited to see them, but they're also a symptom of something unnatural going on there," said Bond, who has been diving off the Nova Scotia coast for two decades.

Worm says he sees the presence of the fish as a signal of human-influenced climate change.

A Department of Fisheries and Oceans scientific summary titled "Canada's Oceans Now," states that two of the five warmest years in recorded history occurred in 2012 and 2014 in air temperatures, and sea surface temperatures followed that trend off Nova Scotia.

In addition, the Gulf Stream's influence is increasing, resulting in "high deep-water temperatures on the Scotian Shelf and in the deep channels of the Gulf of St. Lawrence," the report says.

Worm says it's his view that some eddies of the Gulf Stream may be spinning into bays and inshore waters, bringing the tropical and sub-tropical fish into coastal inlets where divers see them.

"Those (eddies) are occurrences when we have very warm waters of 20 degrees or more, and they carry the tropical and subtropical species," he said.

He says while the presence of the fish themselves isn't likely to disrupt ecosystems, there's the possibility that invasive predatory species and warm water diseases won't be far behind.

"What has a larger impact is the warming water itself, which changes the composition of the phytoplankton and ... it really re-organizes the food web," he explained.

Warmer waters may also eventually bring in fresh diseases to Nova Scotia waters.

"It's a general rule of thumb that a warmer world is a sicker world," he said. "More micro-organisms can survive in warmer waters for longer periods of time."

# Feds put out call for third shipyard to join national shipbuilding strategy

The Canadian Press

## OTTAWA

The federal government has officially launched a search for a third shipyard to join a massive naval procurement process.

Fisheries Minister Jonathan Wilkinson says the new shipyard will join Irving Shipbuilding and Seaspan Shipyards and be responsible for building six new icebreakers for the Canadian Coast Guard.

The government's announcement did not include a timeline beyond a 15-day deadline for interested companies file paperwork to be considered.

Speaking in Iqaluit on Friday, Wilkinson said the third shipyard will be selected through a competitive process.

The launch of the formal procurement process is the latest development in the national shipbuilding strategy, a long-term procurement program that includes the construction of new warships and coast guard vessels with a price tag in the tens of billions.

When Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced in May that the government would add a third shipyard, it sparked speculation the contract would eventually go to Quebec-based Chantier Davie and chatter of Liberals trying to shore up electoral support in the province.

Then last month, the government announced that \$1.5 billion in contracts to maintain Canada's current warships would be split between Irving, Seaspan and Davie.

At the time, Davie expressed confidence it would become the third shipyard to join the shipbuilding strategy, though they wanted the Liberals to make a decision before the federal election in October.