

BYLAW NO. 4726

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT to amend Bylaw No. 2489, the Gas Utility Bylaw.

WHEREAS Council considers it advisable to amend Bylaw No. 2489;

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT, IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Bylaw No. 2489 is amended as set out in this Bylaw.
2. The table in section 2 of Schedule “A” is deleted and replaced with the following:

“The 2023 rates and charges for services provided by the Gas Utility are as follows:

Rate Class	Administration Charge	Distribution Tariff		Commodity Charge	Environmental Conservation Charge	Municipal Consent & Access Fee (MCAF)
		Service Charge	Delivery Charge			
Rate Class A - Residential	\$0.0890 / day	\$0.7390 / day	\$1.354 / Gj	See Note (1)	\$0.90 / Gj - additional charge for gas in excess of 19 Gjs / Mth	See Note (2)
Rate Class A – Commercial, Industrial and other Non-Residential	\$0.0890 / day	\$0.7390 / day	\$1.354 / Gj	See Note (1)	-----	See Note (2)
Rate Class B –Commercial, Industrial and other Non-Residential	\$2.8790 / day	\$18.09 / day	\$0.618 / Gj	See Note (1)	-----	See Note (2)
Rate Class C –High Pressure Service	-----	\$50.94 / day	\$0.255 / Gj	-----	-----	See Note (2)
Rate Class D –Wheeling High Pressure Service	-----	-----	\$0.255 / Gj	-----	-----	See Note (2)

The 2024 rates and charges for services provided by the Gas Utility are as follows:

Rate Class	Administration Charge	Distribution Tariff		Commodity Charge	Environmental Conservation Charge	Municipal Consent & Access Fee (MCAF)
		Service Charge	Delivery Charge			
Rate Class A - Residential	\$0.0920 / day	\$0.7650 / day	\$1.399 / Gj	See Note (1)	\$0.90 / Gj - additional charge for gas in excess of 19 Gjs / Mth	See Note (2)
Rate Class A – Commercial, Industrial and other Non-Residential	\$0.0920 / day	\$0.7650 / day	\$1.399 / Gj	See Note (1)	-----	See Note (2)
Rate Class B –Commercial, Industrial and other Non-Residential	\$2.7230 / day	\$18.82 / day	\$0.637 / Gj	See Note (1)	-----	See Note (2)
Rate Class C –High Pressure Service	-----	\$52.13 / day	\$0.261 / Gj	-----	-----	See Note (2)
Rate Class D –Wheeling High Pressure Service	-----	-----	\$0.261 / Gj	-----	-----	See Note (2)

3. Section 2 of the Notes in Schedule “A” is deleted and replaced with the following:

“(2) The MCAF is a franchise charge set by the City of Medicine Hat to access municipal land to construct, operate and maintain distribution systems serving City customers. The 2023 MCAF is 20.25% of the monthly Distribution Tariff Charge. The 2024 MCAF is 24.00% of the monthly Distribution Tariff Charge.”

4. In subsection 3.7 (b) of Schedule “A”, “\$4.35” is deleted and replaced with “\$5.50”.

5. Schedule “B” is repealed and replaced by the Schedule “B” attached to this Bylaw.

6. This Bylaw will come into force on January 1, 2023.

READ A FIRST TIME in open Council on November 7, 2022.

READ A SECOND TIME in open Council on _____

READ A THIRD TIME in open Council on _____

SIGNED AND PASSED on _____

MAYOR: Linnsie Clark

CITY CLERK: Arlene Karbashewski

SCHEDULE "B" TO BYLAW 2489**AS AMENDED BY BYLAW NO. 4726
(Effective January 1, 2023)****RECONNECTION, DISCONNECTION AND TRANSFER FEES AND METER
DISPUTE CHARGES****1. RECONNECTION, DISCONNECTION AND TRANSFER FEES**

The Consumer shall pay to the City a fee as follows:

		Effective January 1, 2023	Effective January 1, 2024
1.1	Transfer Fee for Premises Already Connected	\$17.00	\$17.34
1.2	Fee for reconnection where the gas service has been disconnected: (a) reconnection during normal working hours (8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday)	\$74.11	\$75.27
	(b) Reconnection Fee - after hours	\$110.49	\$112.38
	(c) reconnection if reinstallation of meter and regulator is required.	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
1.3	Fee for disconnection: (a) disconnection during normal working hours (8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday)	\$74.11	\$75.27
	(b) Disconnection Fee - after hours	\$110.49	\$112.38
1.4	Fee for issuance of disconnect warning notice	\$23.50	\$24.00

An application for reconnection or disconnection to be carried out on the same day as the application is made will be charged the "after normal working hours" fee if the application is received after 10:00 a.m. and overtime work is required to complete the reconnection or disconnection.

2. METER DISPUTE SERVICE CHARGE

The following charge is in reference to Section 25 "Meter Disputes".

If testing indicates that the Gas meter is outside the accuracy limits acceptable to the government agency having jurisdiction, the billing adjustment will include a refund of the Meter Dispute Service Charge. The service charge includes the government agency's testing fee and removal/replacement of meter.

		Effective January 1, 2023	Effective January 1, 2024
2.1	Meter Dispute Service Charge: (a) During normal working hours only (8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday)	\$147.70	\$150.65

3. TERMS OF PAYMENT

Transfer, reconnection and disconnection fees and meter dispute service charge are payable at the time of application. Disconnect warning notice fee is payable upon issuance of the notice.

NOTE: WHEREVER APPLICABLE, THE GOODS AND SERVICES TAX SHALL BE ADDED TO THE FEES, RATES, CHARGES OR OTHER AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO THE CITY PURSUANT TO THIS BYLAW (SEE BYLAW NO. 2716).