

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF STRATHROY-CARADOC

BY-LAW NO. 03-26

A BY-LAW TO APPROVE WATER RATES AND CHARGES TO RATEPAYERS OF THE STRATHROY WATER SYSTEM AND THE MOUNT BRYDGES AND AREA WATER SYSTEM AND TO APPROVE SEWER RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE STRATHROY SEWER SYSTEM AND THE MOUNT BRYDGES SEWER SYSTEM OWNED BY THE MUNICIPALITY OF STRATHROY-CARADOC INCLUDING RATES TO SERVICE THE TOWNSHIP OF ADELAIDE METCALFE

WHEREAS Section 391(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that a municipality and a local board may pass by-laws imposing fees and charges on persons for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it, for costs payable by it for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of any other municipality or local board, for the use of its property including property under its control, and for capital costs payable by it for sewage and water services or activities which will be provided or done by or on behalf of it after the fees and charges are imposed.

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc did approve recommendations in the Water and Wastewater Rate Study prepared by BMA Management Consulting Inc. for the Municipality's Water and Wastewater Systems that is consistent with the requirements of the *Sustainable Water and Sewer Systems Act, 2002* as amended as well as the *Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002* as amended and associated *Ontario Regulation 453/07*.

NOW THEREFORE, the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS**:

1. **THAT:** the attached Schedule 'A' being the Water Rates and Charges for the Strathroy/Mount Brydges Water System servicing the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc be approved effective February 1, 2026;
2. **THAT:** the attached Schedule 'B' being the Water Rates and Charges for the Strathroy Water System servicing the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe be approved effective February 1, 2026;
3. **THAT:** the attached Schedule 'C' being the Sewer Rates and Charges for the Strathroy/ Mount Brydges Wastewater System servicing the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc be approved effective February 1, 2026;
4. **THAT:** the attached Schedule 'D' being the Sewer Rates and Charges for the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe Wastewater System, be approved effective February 1, 2026;
5. **THAT:** the attached Schedule 'E' being the Water Meter Rates be approved

effective February 1, 2026;

6. **THAT:** the attached Schedule 'F' being the Miscellaneous Rates, Charges and Fines be approved effective February 1, 2026;
7. **THAT:** Any overdue water and sewer bills and charges may be added to the property owner's property tax bill with priority lien status if applicable and collected in the same manner as taxes as permitted by law. The water service may be shut off if a water bill or charges for the applicable property remains outstanding for more than 16 days past the due date, with due notice in accordance with the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc's By-law to Provide for the Regulation of Water Supply in the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc, as may be amended;
8. **THAT:** Any previous by-laws inconsistent with the content of this by-law are hereby repealed;
9. **THAT:** This by-law may be referred to as the "2026 Water and Wastewater Rates and Charges By-law".
10. **THAT:** This by-law shall go into full force and effect upon its final passing thereof

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME and FINALLY PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL THIS 19th DAY OF January, 2026.



Mike McGuire, Deputy Mayor



Jennifer Pereira, Clerk

Schedule A
2026 Schedule of Water Rates and Charges

Strathroy/Mount Brydges Water System (servicing the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc) monthly rates					
		Flat Rate (monthly)	Consumption	Consumption Balance	Un-Metered (3 X Flat Rate)
Size of Service	Cubic Meters	0-11	12-3,000		
Up to 1.5"		\$36.22	\$2.12	\$1.89	\$108.65
2" General		\$44.93	\$2.12	\$1.89	\$134.78
3" General		\$53.18	\$2.12	\$1.89	\$159.54
4" General		\$139.49	\$2.12	\$1.89	\$418.47
5" General		\$176.82	\$2.12	\$1.89	\$530.47
6" General		\$215.13	\$2.12	\$1.89	\$645.40
8" General		\$309.10	\$2.12	\$1.89	\$927.31
10" General		\$695.38	\$2.12	\$1.89	\$2,086.14
Not Connected		\$34.81			
Fire Protection Rate					
2" General		\$44.92			
3" General		\$53.18			
4" General		\$139.50			
5" General		\$176.83			
6" General		\$215.69			
8" General		\$309.10			
10" General		\$695.38			
Private Fire Hydrant Charges					
Per Fire Hydrant		\$34.61			
Connection Charges (Only for lots with existing water service at property line)					
Existing Standard residential water service to property line		\$2,080.42			

Schedule B
2026 Schedule of Water Rates and Charges

Strathroy Water System servicing the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe monthly rates				
		Flat Rate (monthly)	Consumption	Consumption Balance
Size of Service	Cubic Meters	0-11	12-3,000	
Up to 1.5"				
Residential		\$54.33	\$3.19	\$2.84
2" General		\$67.39	\$3.19	\$2.84
3" General		\$79.77	\$3.19	\$2.84
4" General		\$209.23	\$3.19	\$2.84
5" General		\$265.24	\$3.19	\$2.84
6" General		\$322.70	\$3.19	\$2.84
8" General		\$463.65	\$3.19	\$2.84
10" General		\$1,043.07	\$3.19	\$2.84
Not Connected		\$52.22		
Fire Protection Rate				
2" General		\$67.38		
3" General		\$79.77		
4" General		\$209.24		
5" General		\$265.24		
6" General		\$323.54		
8" General		\$463.65		
10" General		\$1,043.06		
Private Fire Hydrant Charges				
Per Fire Hydrant		\$51.91		

* Adelaide-Metcalfe Rates are based upon the rate based upon a July 20, 2022 interim order as what may occur in respect of expense in future is unknown until the legal dispute concludes.

Schedule C
2026 Schedule of Wastewater Rates and Charges

Strathroy/Mount Brydges Wastewater System (servicing the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc) monthly rates				
		Flat Rate (monthly)	Consumption	Consumption Balance
Size of Service	Cubic Meters	0-11	12-3,000	
Up to 1.5" General		\$50.73	\$3.05	\$2.72
2" General		\$54.25	\$3.05	\$2.72
3" General		\$64.23	\$3.05	\$2.72
4" General		\$168.46	\$3.05	\$2.72
5" General		\$247.42	\$3.05	\$2.72
6" General		\$260.48	\$3.05	\$2.72
8" General		\$373.28	\$3.05	\$2.72
10" General		\$972.97	\$3.05	\$2.72
Un-metered (Residential) (existing prior to October 15, 2012)		\$76.09		
Un-metered (Residential) (new connection after Oct 15, 2012)		\$101.44		
Not Connected		\$43.51		

Schedule D
2026 Schedule of Wastewater Rates and Charges

Township of Adelaide-Metcalfe Wastewater System monthly rates				
Size of Service	Cubic Meters	Flat Rate (monthly)	Consumption	Consumption Balance
		0-11	12-3,000	
Up to 1.5" General		\$50.73	\$3.05	\$2.72
2" General		\$54.25	\$3.05	\$2.72
3" General		\$64.23	\$3.05	\$2.72
4" General		\$168.46	\$3.05	\$2.72
5" General		\$247.42	\$3.05	\$2.72
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Schedule E
2026 Water Meter Rates

Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc including Township of Adelaide-Metcalfe

Water Meters (includes HST)	
Standard Residential Meter (5/ 8" x 5/ 8" or 5/ 8" x3 /4 ") including ERT	\$607.07
Standard Commercial Meter (3/4") including ERT	\$777.05
Standard Meter (1") including ERT	\$947.03
Standard Meter (1 1/2") including ERT	\$1,214.14
Standard Meter (2") including ERT	\$1,414.47
Larger than (2") including ERT	Cost + 15%

Account Charges	
Late Payment	1.5%/month
Late Payment per annum	19.56%
Arrears Certificate	\$18.58
Returned Cheque (plus bank charges)	\$47.74
Bill Re-Prints (per bill)	\$2.12
Transfer to Property Taxes	\$53.05
Change of Occupancy	\$12.75

Replace Damaged Water Meters (includes hst and labour, does not included angle stop)	
5/8" Water Meter (includes HST)	\$607.07
3/4" Water Meter (includes HST)	\$777.05
1" Water Meter (includes HST)	\$947.03
1 1/2" Water Meter (includes HST)	\$1,214.14
2" Water Meter	\$1,414.47

Return for Inspection/Installation	
Return for Inspection or Meter Installation (per Occurrence)	\$63.14

Meter checked for accuracy at customer's request and found to be accurate	
5/8" Water Meter	\$606.67 (HST incl.) + \$244.01
3/4" Water Meter	\$761.73 (HST incl.) + \$244.01
1" Water Meter	\$928.45 (HST incl.) + \$244.01
1 1/2" Water Meter	\$1190.33 (HST incl.) + \$244.01
2" Water Meter	\$1386.73(HST incl.) + \$244.01

Water Tampering	
Bypass prior to water meter	\$185.76 (+ estimated water consumption + water meter replacement if required)
Failure to install remote read device prior to new occupancy	3.0 * minimum monthly water charge 2.0 * minimum monthly sewer charge

Additional Rates	
Unauthorized operation of Fire Hydrant (does not include fine)	\$127.16(+ estimated water consumption at Bulk Water Rate)
Bulk Water Cost (per cubic meter)	\$4.43
Tap size 50 mm or less	\$427.38
Tap size over 50 mm	\$827.82
Disconnection of Water Service during Regular Hours	\$44.92
Reconnection of Water Service during Regular Hours	\$44.92
Disconnection and Reconnection of water service during same visit during reg hours (on-site less than 15 minutes)	\$44.92
Disconnection of Water Service after Regular Hours	\$177.26
Reconnection of Water Service after Regular Hours	\$177.26
Disconnection and Reconnection of water service during same visit after hours (on-site less than 15 minutes)	\$177.26
Application Fee - Water/Wastewater Service Connection	\$248.90
Existing water meter removal or installation during Regular Hours	\$95.91
Inspection Fee (Per Connection)	\$376.38
Hydrant flow test rate (per hydrant)	\$149.12

Materials or Services Purchased	Cost plus 15%
Extra Strength Sewage Surcharge Rate (R)	\$0.45/m2
Extra Strength Sewage Surcharge Rate (R2)	\$2.04/kg

Hourly Rates (minimum 1 hour per site visit)	
Grader	\$117.63
Loader	\$128.66
Dump Truck	\$188.94
Back Hoe	\$77.40
Street Sweeper	\$143.27
Equipment Operator Regular Hours	\$89.84
Equipment Operator After Hours	\$127.48
Environmental Services Operator Regular	\$95.91
Environmental Services per after hours	\$133.56