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## ANNUAL WATER WORKS INFORMATION

### WATERWORKS RATE POLICY

2021 Utility Rates as per Bylaw 05/19
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 gallons and over \$25.25 per 1000 gallons or part thereof</li> <li>\$25.25 per 1000 gallons at the Town Pumphouse coin meter</li> <li>Sewer charge based on \$8. Per 1000 gallons of water usage</li> <li>\$35.00 per month infrastructure fee</li> </ul>
Monthly Billing Cycle
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water rates are based on usage.</li> </ul>

### RESERVES

Capital Reserve	Utility Reserve
\$18,649.31	\$106,094.00
Infrastructure Reserve	

### ANNUAL FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

2021 Audited Financial Statements		
• 2021 Waterworks Revenue	<u>\$522,129</u>	1.11 (ratio)
• 2021 Waterworks Expenditures	\$466,606	
• 2021 Waterworks Dept. Payments		
Therefore 2021 Utility Revenue covered .97 of 2021 Utility Expense.		

- We pay SK Water a \$3,125.00 monthly connection fee payable over 20 years (included in expenditure amount) annual combined total of \$75,000.00 (shared with Highway #41 Utility). This will remain as 50/50 for now.
- In 2022 we will be seeking approvals from the Sk Municipal Board to increase water rates from \$25.25/1000 gallons to \$26.75/1000, as Sk Water has not imposed any increases for 2021.
- In 2021 we continued with a per month infrastructure fee of \$35.00 to pay for Capital Projects, ie new lagoon and lift station, future water reservoir expansion and will continue into 2022 as well.
- The \$8/1000 gallon sewer rate is a fee based on the amount of water used.

### CAPITAL PLANS

- Upgrades to the water distribution plant by reservoir expansion
- The construction of the new lagoon and lift station was completed in 2019. Decommissioning of the old lift station has been completed. Approximately \$100,000 will still be needed to decommission the old lagoon. The decommissioning is presently 85% complete.

- We will continue to upgrade our current infrastructure, water service connections, sewer manholes, etc. By the end of 2021 we completed the upgrade of all our water meters to Radio Frequency and are currently working towards upgrading to a computerized office billing system by the end of 2024.

## **PROJECTED 2022-2026**

- Hire engineers to design a new reservoir comparable in size to our new lagoon and lift station which accommodates approximately 1200 people. We will make application to the Government for any funding opportunities we can.
- Ongoing water line and manhole restoration
- Swale replacements and extensions where drainage is a concern
- Hire engineers to create drainage plans throughout the Town of Aberdeen
- Upgrade our current utility billing system to RF meters and computerized office billing system
- The Town of Aberdeen hired engineers to complete or Asset Management Review which will be completed by April 30, 2022.

<b>Sources of Funding:</b>	<b>Costs:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reserves</li> <li>• New Deal Gas Tax Funding</li> <li>• Water Rates</li> <li>• Infrastructure Fee</li> <li>• Government Funding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reservoir Expansion – 2,287,000</li> <li>• Water line and Manhole restoration - \$70,000</li> <li>• Swale replacement/extensions - \$30,000</li> <li>• Computerized office billing system - \$48,000</li> </ul>

## **WATERWORKS CAPITAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

- We will continue to supply water to the Highway #41 customers and will be sharing costs of the upgrades to the water plant and future reservoir.
- We are working with engineers on the expansion of our reservoir comparable in size to our new lagoon to accommodate 1100 to 1200 people. We are consistently looking for funding opportunities. Construction has been completed on our new lagoon and is in full operation. We experienced 2 new housing starts in 2021, however anticipate a minimum of 2 new housing starts in 2022.
- We borrowed \$200,000 in 2018 to complete our new lagoon and have paid off the loan in 2021.
- Our Strategic Plan has been completed and will be reviewed and updated on a semi-annual basis. Our Asset Management Plan was completed in 2018 and will be updated annually as well.

<b>The following information is available at the Aberdeen Town Office</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waterworks Rate Policy and Capital Investment Strategy</li> <li>• Capital Plans</li> <li>• 2021 Financial Overview of the Waterworks</li> <li>• Waterworks Reserves</li> <li>• Copy of the Waterworks Assessment</li> </ul>