



**MASTER RATES BYLAW NO. 005-2020  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SMOKY LAKE  
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

**BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF SMOKY LAKE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF GENERAL FEES AND CHARGES FOR GOODS AND SERVICES AS DELIVERED TO THE COMMUNITY**

**WHEREAS** it is expedient for the Council of the Town of Smoky Lake to enact a bylaw that establishes and maintains the General Fees and Charges for services rendered within the Town of Smoky Lake;

**AND WHEREAS** by virtue of the power conferred upon it under the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, section 8, the Council of the Town of Smoky Lake may pass bylaws to establish fees and charges for the provision of certain goods and services;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Town of Smoky Lake in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

**1. Title:**

1.1 This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Master Rates Bylaw" of the Town of Smoky Lake.

**2. Administration**

2.1 The following administration fees shall be charged:

<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	
<b>Photocopying</b>	
Black & white	\$0.25 /copy
Color	\$0.40 /copy
The Town of Smoky Lake will provide free use of photocopying services for non-profit organizations/clubs.	
<b>Faxing/Scanning</b>	
Faxing / Scanning	\$1.25 /page
<b>Laminating</b>	
Laminating – Credit Card Size	\$1.00 /card
Laminating - Letter or Legal	\$2.00 /page
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
Post Cards	\$1.00
Town Pins	\$2.00

Business License	\$25.00 /Calendar Year
Peddler License (for the year)	\$200.00
Peddler License (for the day)	\$50.00 /day
Non-Sufficient Funds Charge (NSF)	\$35.00 (GST exempt)
Research	\$25/hour - commencing after the first hour
<b>Document Copy Fees</b>	
Land Use Bylaw	\$25.00
Municipal Development Plan	\$25.00
Area Structure Plan	\$25.00
Note: All the above documents are available free of charge on our website.	

### 3. Utilities

3.1 The following utility fees shall be charged:

MONTHLY UTILITY FEES	
Natural Gas Service Charges	
Gas Alberta Inc. purchase price and variable rate charge	/GJ
Distribution Charge	\$1.90/GJ
Capital Replacement Levy	\$0.40/GJ or \$0.42/MCF
Gas Service Charge (meters under 450 Series)	\$25.00
Gas Service Charge (meters 450 Series and above)	\$60.00
Carbon Tax Levy	Rate set by the Government of Alberta

\*G.S.T applied on all above Natural Gas Service Charges

\*The gas service charge is invoiced each month whether gas is consumed or not, providing the infrastructure is present.

Water Service Charges	
Highway 28/63 Regional Water Service Commission cost plus \$0.97 variable charge	/M3
Residential Water Service Charge	\$35.00
Non- Residential Water Service Charge (Based on Meter Size)	
<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Price</u>
5/8 inch	\$ 50.00
3/4 inch	\$ 80.00
1 inch	\$ 86.00
1-1/4 inch	\$ 100.00
1-1/2 inch	\$ 150.00
2 inch & over	\$ 200.00

\*This service charge represents costs associated with delivering water to each meter. The service charge is invoiced each month for as long as the infrastructure is present, whether water is consumed or not.

Sewer Service Charges	
Sewer Consumption Fee	\$0.60/per cubic meter(m3) of water consumption

Residential Sewer Service Charge	\$15.00
Non-Residential Sewer Service Charge	\$29.00

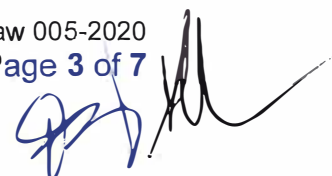
\*The monthly sewer service charge represents costs associated with removing sewage from the Customer. The service charge is invoiced each month for as long as the infrastructure is present, whether sewer is consumed or not.

<b>Curbside Waste Collection</b>	
Residential Garbage Service Charge	\$25.50 per unit
Non-Residential Garbage Service Charge	
<u>Type</u>	<u>Price</u>
Residential/Commercial without a Bin	\$75.48
Commercial without a Bin	\$75.48
Religious or Not For Profit	\$10.20
<u>Bin Program</u>	<u>Price</u>
Commercial 1-3 yd Bin	\$170.85
Commercial 2-3 yd Bin	\$341.70
Commercial 1-6 yd Bin	\$244.80
Commercial 2-6 yd Bin	\$489.60
Commercial 3-6 yd Bin	\$734.40

\*This charge is for garbage bag pick-up four times per month and the rental and emptying of bins. This fee shall apply whether the service is being used or not.

<b>CONNECTION OF SERVICES</b>	
<b>Natural Gas Connection</b>	
<b>The fee for a gas service to be connected to the gas main shall be:</b>	
Residential Gas Service Main Connection Fee (includes materials)	\$2,500.00
Non- Residential Gas Service Main Connection Fee (plus materials)	\$2,500.00
<b>Water Connection</b>	
<b>The fee for a water service to be connected to the water main shall be:</b>	
Residential Water Service Main Connection Fee (includes materials)	\$2,500.00
Non-Residential Water Service Main Connection Fee (plus materials)	\$2,500.00
<b>Sewer Connection</b>	
<b>The fee for a sewer service to be connected to the sewer main shall be:</b>	
Residential Sewer Service Main Connection Fee (includes materials)	\$2,500.00
Non-Residential Sewer Service Main Connection Fee (plus materials)	\$2,500.00

<b>OTHER UTILITY FEES</b>	
New Customer Fee (The following fee shall apply each time there is a new utility account including owner changes and/or renter changes).	\$50.00

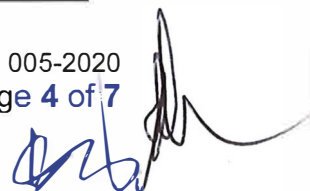


Monthly Utility Penalty	3.5% applied against the outstanding balance  <u>90-day Utility Deferral Program Exception</u> The Monthly Utility Penalty will not be applied to the following utility billings in response to the Covid -19 Pandemic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 1-31, 2020 Billing Period, penalty date April 29, 2020</li> <li>• April 1-30, 2020 Billing Period, penalty date May 29, 2020</li> <li>• May 1-31, 2020 Billing Period, penalty date June 29, 2020</li> </ul> The 3.5% penalty will resume after the 90-day Utility Deferral Program Exception (June 1-30, 2020 Billing Period).
Meter Dispute Charge	\$200.00
<b>Disconnection of Services</b>	
If the utility services are shut off due to non-payment or by customer request, the following fees shall be applied to the utility account for each occurrence.	
Disconnecting the water service	\$35.00
Disconnecting the gas service	\$35.00
<b>Reconnection of Services</b>	
In the event the Customer requests utilities be reconnected, the following fees will be due and payable prior to turning on the utilities.	
Reconnecting the water service	\$35.00
Reconnecting the gas service	\$35.00
<b>Utility Release Charge</b>	
Gas Release Charge	\$4,000.00
Water Release Charge	\$4,000.00

**4. Animal Control:**

4.1 The following animal control fees shall be charged:

ANIMAL CONTROL	
<b>Licenses</b>	
Neutered dog/cat (pro-rated after July 1)	\$10.00
Non-neutered dog/cat (pro-rated after July 1)	\$30.00
Replacement for tag for lost tag	\$1.00
Restricted/Vicious dog license	\$250.00
Kennel (more than three dogs/cats)	\$50.00
<b>Fines &amp; Penalties</b>	
Impoundment	\$50.00/day
Dangerous/Vicious Dog Impoundment Kennel	\$100.00/day
Fail to obtain a valid dog/cat license	\$50.00



Fail to provide dog/cat with a collar and tag when in public	\$50.00
Keep or harbor more than three dogs/cats without a kennel license	\$100.00
Fail to obtain a kennel license	\$100.00
Howling/barking dog/cat	\$100.00
Dog/cat running at large	\$100.00
Fail to confine a female dog/cat that is in estrus	\$100.00
Fail to remove feces	\$50.00
Fail to remove feces on private property	\$100.00
Permit dog/cat to enter water in public	\$50.00
Fail to provide proper care	\$100.00
Abuse/abandon dog/cat	\$500.00
Permit dog/cat with communicable disease to be in public place	\$100.00
Free dog/cat which was confined	\$100.00
Fail to obtain dangerous dog/cat license	\$100.00
Fail to confine a dangerous dog/cat	\$200.00
Fail to muzzle a dangerous dog/cat	\$100.00
Fail to harness or leash dangerous dog/cat	\$100.00
Dog/cat not controlled by an adult	\$100.00
Chase, attack or bite	\$500.00
Dangerous/ vicious dog not controlled by person 16 years or older	\$100.00
Failure to maintain liability insurance	\$1,000.00

\* Second offences within a 24-month period - penalty will be doubled

\* Third or subsequent offence within a 24-month period – penalty will be tripled

## 5. Taxation and Assessment:

5.1 The following taxation and assessment fees shall be charged:

TAXATION AND ASSESSMENT	
September 1 - Tax Penalty	10% on current outstanding
January 1 - Tax Penalty	18% on all outstanding
Tax Certificate	\$35.00
Tax Arrears Discharge Fee	\$5.00

## 6. Water Fees:

6.1 The following water fees shall be charged:

WATER	
Bulk Water	\$7.50 /m3
Hydrant	\$5.00 /m3

**7. Public Works:**

7.1 The following public works fees shall be charged:

<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	
G.S.T. to be added on all items	
<b>Labour (Public Works/Utilities Operator)</b>	
During regular business hours	\$60.00 /hour
After regular business hours (Call out)	\$90.00/hour
<b>Equipment with Operator Rates</b>	
Power Snake	\$105.00 /hour
Skidsteer	\$125.00 /hour
Backhoe	\$160.00 /hour
Single Wheel Gravel Truck	\$125.00 /hour
Wheel Loader	\$145.00/hour
Fire Truck	\$125.00 /hour
Bucket Truck	\$125.00 /hour
Grader	\$150.00 /hour
Sanding Truck	\$175.00/ hour (minimum one hour)
Service Truck	\$60.00 /hour
Sewer Camera	\$200.00 for the first hour, \$50.00 per additional hour

**8. Planning and Development:**

8.1 The following planning and development fees shall be charged:

<b>PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT</b>	
<b>RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT</b>	
<b>Permitted Uses</b>	
Development Permit -Residential	\$100.00
Development Permit- Commercial	\$100.00
Accessory Development- Garage/Shed/ Other (including renovations)	\$50.00
Accessory Development – Decks/Fences	\$50.00
Demolition Permit	\$50.00
Permit Renewal	\$50.00
<b>Discretionary Uses</b>	
Discretionary Uses with Variance	\$200.00
Compliance Letter (Real Property Report must be provided)	\$75.00

Subdivision Development Appeal Fee	\$300.00
Encroachment Agreements/ Right Away	\$50.00


\* All other associated fees are responsibility of the owner/applicant.

**9. General:**

9.1 This Bylaw shall come into force and effect on the third and final reading.


9.2 Master Rates Bylaw No. 006-19 is hereby rescinded.

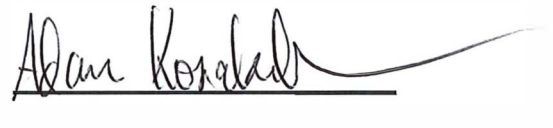
READ A FIRST TIME THIS 28<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020

  
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 Hank Holowaychuk  
 Mayor

  
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 Adam Kozakiewicz  
 Chief Administrative Officer

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 28<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020

  
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 Mayor

  
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 Chief Administrative Officer

READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME, WITH THE UNANIMOUS CONSENT  
 OF ALL COUNCILLORS PRESENT, THIS 28<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020

  
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 Mayor

  
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