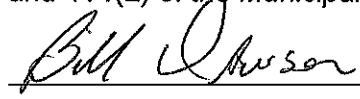




**WATER AND SEWERAGE REGULATIONS**

**PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY**

The following Regulations have been made by the Town of Steady Brook under Sections 414(1) and 414(2) of the *Municipalities Act, 1999*, SNL 1999, c M-24.

  
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**Short Title**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Water and Sewerage Regulations of the Town of Steady Brook.

**Definitions**

2. In these Regulations:
  - (a) "Council" means the Town Council of the Town of Steady Brook.
  - (b) "Curb Stop" means the valves controlling the flow of water from the Town's Main to a Property.
  - (c) "Customer" means any Person whose Property is connected to the System.
  - (d) "Main" means either:
    - (i) the Town's primary underground pipe for the purpose of a municipal water distribution system or
    - (ii) the Town's primary underground pipe for the purpose of disposing sewerage,as the context requires.
  - (e) "Person" means a natural person or any other legal entity.
  - (f) "Property" means any private or public real property within the Town, including land, together with all improvements which have been so affixed to the land as to make them in fact and in law a part thereof.
  - (g) "Regulations" means these Water and Sewerage Regulations.
  - (h) "Services" means:
    - (i) a water supply system and/or
    - (ii) a sewerage disposal systemsupplied to a Customer, as the context requires.

- (i) "Service Lines" means all or part of either:
  - (i) service lines for the supply of water or
  - (ii) service lines for the disposal of sewerage,as the context requires.
- (j) "System" means the public water supply and sewer system of the Town of Steady Brook.
- (k) "Town" means the Town of Steady Brook.

### **Contracts for Services**

- 3. The Town shall have no obligation to provide Services to any Person unless that Person has submitted an application for Services to the Council.
- 4. Contracts for Services shall be for a duration of one (1) year and shall automatically renew on a month-to-month basis thereafter until terminated by either the Town or the Customer by thirty (30) days written notice.
- 5. Invoices for Services rendered shall be issued by the Town to the Customer on a quarterly basis and shall be due and payable upon issuance.
- 6. Notwithstanding Section 3, the Town may discontinue Services to any Customer who has failed to pay an invoice for Services for three (3) or more months from the date on which the invoice was issued.
- 7. A service charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged to any Customer whose Services are disconnected due to either the Customer's request or non-payment of an invoice in accordance with Section 6.
- 8. The Town shall require any Customer whose Services have been disconnected to pay all outstanding arrears prior to reconnecting that Customer's Services.

### **Services Infrastructure**

- 9. Service Lines for the supply of water shall be:
  - (a) of a metal construction and not less than 1.27 centimeters (0.5 inches) in diameter or such greater size as may be required by Council;
  - (b) installed at a minimum underground depth of 1.8 meters (6 feet); and
  - (c) installed by the Town from the Main to the Curb Stop at a cost of:
    - (i) \$350.00 for water Services only (Residential),
    - (ii) \$690.00 for sewer Services only (Residential),
    - (iii) \$500.00 for water Services only (Commercial), or

(iv) \$1380.00 for Services only (Commercial),

which shall be payable by the Customer to the Town.

10. Service Lines for the disposal of sewerage shall be:
  - (a) not less than 10.16 centimeters (4 inches) in diameter or such greater size as may be required by Council;
  - (b) installed at a minimum of 2% slope; and
  - (c) installed in a continuous straight line without sags or crests, unless a bend is required, in which case the bend shall include a cleanout flue.
11. There shall be one (1) sewer Service Line for each dwelling unit on a Property unless otherwise specified by Council or these Regulations.
12. A Property with an apartment building containing three to eight (3 to 8) dwelling units shall have two (2) 15.24 centimeter (6 inch) sewer Service Lines.
13. A Property with apartment buildings containing more than eight (8) dwelling units shall have a number of sewer Service Lines to be specified by Council.
14. No Person other than:
  - (a) an authorized representative of the Town or
  - (b) a Person engaged by the Town for the purpose of connecting Service Linesshall connect sewer and water pipes to the System.
15. The installation of Service Lines and the materials used in such installation shall be subject to the approval of Council.
16. Where new Mains are to be installed, a manhole of a size to be approved by Council shall be provided by the contractor or developer who requires such installation.
17. Under no circumstances shall the Town be responsible to the Customer or any other party for the installation of Service Lines from a Curb Stop to a building or buildings on any Property.

### **Subdivisions**

18. All subdivisions being connected to the Main shall have manholes installed subject to the approval of Council.
19. All costs of connecting subdivisions to the Main shall be the responsibility of the developer.
20. A sewer hook-up and inspection fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged to Persons who require a Property located within a subdivision to be connected to the System where the developer has installed Service Lines.

### **Maintenance and Repair of Services Infrastructure**

21. All damaged Service Lines shall be repaired as soon as possible.
22. Service Lines shall be:
  - (a) repaired by the Town at the Town's expense if the damage occurs between the Main and the Curb Stop or
  - (b) repaired by the Customer at the Customer's expense if the damage occurs elsewhere.
23. Notwithstanding Section 22, the Council may repair any part of a Service Line at the Customer's request, provided that the Customer submits to the Town a deposit to cover the estimated cost of the work. Any excess deposit funds shall be returned to the Customer after the completion of the work. Any further balance owed to the Town in excess of the deposit for the work shall be paid, in full, by the Customer to the Town within ninety (30) days of invoicing.
24. If a leak occurs on the Customer's portion of the Service Line, the Town may discontinue Services to such Service Line if, at the discretion of Council, such action is necessary in order to prevent wastage of water. The Town shall notify the Customer affected of its intention to discontinue such supply.
25. Freezing in a Service Line shall be thawed at the Customer's expense, unless such freezing occurs as a result of actions taken by Town, in which case it shall be thawed at the Town's expense.

### **Storm Drainage Pipe Installation Prohibited**

26. No Person shall connect storm drainage pipes to a sewer Service Line.
27. The Town and its authorized representatives shall have the right to inspect all sewer Service Lines to ensure that storm drainage pipes are not connected.
28. A storm drainage pipe installed contrary to Section 26 shall be rectified to the satisfaction of Council at the Customer's expense.

### **Access to Customer Premises**

29. Authorized representatives of the Town shall have the right of access to all parts of a Customer's Property for the purpose of inspecting any water or sewer infrastructure, or for the purpose of installing, removing, repairing, reading, or inspecting meters. When possible, the Town will give notice.
30. The Town shall have the right to suspend Services to any Customer who refuses access to their Property contrary to Section 29.

### **General Prohibitions**

31. No Person shall:

- (a) cause or permit the improper use or waste of water;
  - (b) sell or give water to any Person except under such conditions or for such purposes as may be approved by the Council in writing;
  - (c) cause or permit the dumping of water, material, chemicals, or other harmful substances not normally used by a household into the sewer system;
  - (d) tamper with, in any way, the flow of sewerage or infrastructure provided to pump and treat sanitary waste; and
  - (e) unless authorized by the Council, draw water from open, close, cut, break, obstruct from free access to, or in any way injure or interfere with any hydrant, Main, water pipe, stop cock, meter, or other part of the System.
32. Notwithstanding Section 31, nothing in these Regulations shall be deemed to prevent an officer or member of the Town's fire department from using any hydrant or other part of the System when responding to fire-related emergencies.

**Limitation of Liability**

33. The Town shall not be liable for any damages resulting from the flooding of sewerage if such flooding occurred due to a failure to properly install a back-water valve.

**Penalties**

34. A Person who contravenes or fails to comply with these Regulations is upon summary conviction guilty of an offence and is liable to a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$1,000, or to a term of imprisonment of not more than six months, or to both the fine and the imprisonment.
35. Prosecution under these Regulations may be taken summarily by any member of the Council, or by any police authority, or by any Person authorized by the Council.
36. Notwithstanding Section 5 of the *Provincial Offences Act*, SNL 1995 c P-31.1, any Person who violates these Regulations is upon summary conviction guilty of an offence and is liable to a fine of not more than the maximum and not less than the minimum amount prescribed for such offence in Schedule "A" attached hereto.

**Coming Into Force**

37. These Regulations were adopted and passed by Council at a meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023 and are effective as of that date.