

# DISTRICT OF STEWART

## 2013 WATER CONNECTIONS BYLAW No. 873, 2013

A BYLAW OF THE DISTRICT OF STEWART TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONNECTIONS TO  
THE MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM

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WHEREAS Section 194 (1) (a) of the Community Charter provides Council to impose a fee payable in respect of all or part of a service of the municipality.

AND WHEREAS Council now deems it necessary to amend these connection charges.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the District of Stewart in open meeting assembled hereby enacts as follows:

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as Water Connection Bylaw No. 873, 2013

### 1. DEFINITIONS

In this Bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires, "District" means the District of Stewart, the Council or persons duly authorized to represent the Council in respect of this bylaw.

"WATER CONNECTION" means a connection to a main supply line and extending to the property line of the customer for the purpose of conveying water to the said customer, and may or may not include a water meter but shall include a shut-off valve and shall be the property of the District.

"DISCONNECTION" means the turning off, or complete removal, of a water connection.

### 2. APPLICATIONS

2.1 Application for the installation and connection of a water service shall be made to the District and shall be made in the form of "Schedule A" of this Bylaw and shall be accompanied by the proper connection charge as specified in "Schedule B". Each application, when duly signed by the potential customer, shall be an agreement whereby the customer agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of this bylaw.

2.2 Applications for disconnection of any water service shall be made in writing and delivered to the District.

- 2.3 No work of any kind connected with the water system, either for the laying of new or repair of old service pipes shall be done on or under any street or lane within the District by any person or persons other than employees of the District except such person or persons as shall be authorized by the District.
- 2.4 No unauthorized person shall in any way interfere or tamper with any pipe, fixture or fitting connected with the District water system whether on his own premises or elsewhere.
- 2.5 The connection charge as outlined in "Schedule A", applies to a standard connection of up to 20 feet.
- 2.6 The District shall accept or reject each application. If an application is rejected, the owner shall be so informed and the reasons for the rejection shall be given and the fee deposited under 2.1 of this Section shall forthwith be repaid to the applicant.

### 3. USES OF WATER

- 3.1 The District may, without notice, disconnect the water service to any premises for any of the following reasons, and the District shall not be liable for damages by reason of discontinuing water service for such reasons:
- a) Unnecessary or wasteful use of water, or violation of regulations concerning watering or sprinkling.
  - b) Failure to repair or replace defective pipes, fittings, valves, tanks or appliances which are leaking or are otherwise not in good state of repair and which are or may become a cause of waste of water.
- 3.2 No pump, booster or other device shall be employed by any customer without the permission in writing from the District, for the purpose of, or having the effect of, increasing water pressure in service lines to a higher pressure than the normal water pressure in the said service lines, and the District may, without notice, discontinue service to any customer employing such pump, booster or other device.
- 3.3 The District may, whenever in its discretion the public interest so required, suspend or limit the consumption of water from the municipal water system, or may regulate the hours of use, or may further prescribe the manner in which such water may be used.
- 3.4 All persons shall keep the service pipes, valves, fixtures and fittings on their

own premises in good order and repair, and protect them from frost at their own risk and expense, and when a premise is vacated the valve shall be turned off.

#### 4. GENERAL REGULATIONS

4.1 The charges enumerated in "Schedule B" of this Bylaw are hereby imposed for water connection by the District.

4.2 All charges under this Bylaw shall be paid at the office of the District at Stewart, BC at the time of application.

4.3 No consumer shall use water for irrigation, sprinkler or garden purposes except in a reasonable manner and in accordance with any Bylaw or regulation governing such use.

4.4 Nothing contained in the Bylaw shall be construed to impose any liability on the District to give a continuous supply of water to any person or premises and the District hereby reserves the right at any time to shut off the water from any premise without giving notice to any person from whose premise the water may be shut off.

4.5 Every person to whom the water is supplied under this Bylaw shall at all reasonable times allow any authorized person to enter into and upon the premise in respect of which such water is supplied for the purpose of inspecting the water pipes, fixtures and fittings used in connection with such water supply.

4.6 Any person who shall install, place or maintain in any premise any water connection, fixture or fitting not in accordance with the requirements of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an infraction thereof.

#### 5. OFFENCES

5.1 Any person guilty of an infraction of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an offence and shall on summary conviction be liable to a maximum fine of up to \$10,000.

6. REPEALMENT

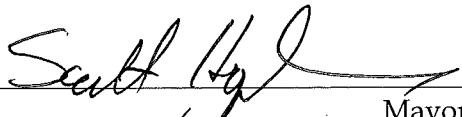
6.1 Bylaw No. 545-1989 and all amending Bylaws thereto are hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013.

READ A SECOND TIME this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013.

READ A THIRD TIME this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2013.

FINALLY CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013.

  
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Mayor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporate Officer

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**“SCHEDULE A”**

**APPLICATION FOR WATER CONNECTION**

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ being the owners or agent of  
\_\_\_\_\_ who is the owner, of certain premises situated at (civic  
address) \_\_\_\_\_ in the District of Stewart and being

Lots \_\_\_\_\_

Block \_\_\_\_\_

District Lot \_\_\_\_\_

Plan \_\_\_\_\_

Hereby apply for a water connection to Lot \_\_\_\_\_.

I herewith tender the sum of \$750.00, being the minimum fee for connection to the water system. I understand that I will be invoiced and responsible for any amount over the minimum charge.

I further agree that I will protect and save harmless the District of Stewart from all claims for damages caused by the bursting or any of the pipes on my property, used for the supply of water under this application.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, B.C., this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_



Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Signature of Approving Officer \_\_\_\_\_

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**"SCHEDULE B"**

**Water Connection Fee**

Every application for a connection to the District of Stewart water main shall be charged on the basis of a minimum fee, as follows:

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| a. For standard 18 mm x 18 mm (3/4"):   | Actual Cost<br>(Minimum of \$750.00) |
| b. For a connection above 18 mm x 18mm (3/4")   | Actual Cost<br>(Minimum of \$750.00) |
| c. There shall be an extra charge above the charges noted in a) to c) for replacement of pavement.                      | Actual Cost                          |
| d. There shall be an extra charge, above the charges noted in a) to c) for installation of services in high water table | Actual Cost                          |

**Actual Cost** is an amount equal to the cost of the work including all materials, labour, equipment and over head.

**Water Service Turn On or Turn Off Charge**

Water service turn on charge for re-continuation of service	\$40.00 summer \$60.00 winter
Water service turn off charge for discontinuation of service	\$40.00 summer \$60.00 winter

"Winter Conditions" shall mean conditions requiring snow removal for access to the valve box.

A turn off made under winter conditions may be followed by a turn on charged for under summer conditions if further snow removal is not required for the turn on.

Where a consumer requests a turn-on or a turn-off of service that necessitates the call out of an employee pursuant to the provisions of the Collective Agreement between the District and the employees, the consumer shall pay the actual cost to the municipality of the employee call out.