

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GREY**

**Town Water and Sewer Line Connection Policy**

**Resolution No. 2026/107**

**POLICY STATEMENT:**

To establish a standard water line and sewer line connection fee and policy for the towns of St. Claude, Elm Creek, Haywood and Fannystelle in the Rural Municipality of Grey.

**PROCEDURES:**

Town connection fees are intended for single family dwellings, single multi-family dwellings and businesses to connect to water lines and sewer lines owned and operated by the Rural Municipality of Grey.

**RM of Grey Responsibilities**

After appropriate fees are paid in full, The Rural Municipality of Grey will be responsible to:

- provide and install a service connection line from the water main to the property line, and
- provide and install a curb stop (where applicable) at the property line.

The Rural Municipality of Grey will also be responsible for maintenance costs associated with:

- the water main,
- the service connection line from the water main to the curb stop, and
- the curb stop.

**Property Owner Responsibilities**

The Property Owner will be responsible to hire and pay for a contractor to:

- install the service connection line from the curb stop to the shut off valve, and
- install the shut off valve and meter package into dwelling/business.

The Property Owner will also be responsible for maintenance, replacement and repair costs including but not limited to:

- the service connection line from the property line / curb stop to the dwelling/business, and
- the shut-off valve

Property Owner Fees to be Set as Follows:

## **ST. CLAUDE:**

- \$7,000.00 (water connection)
  - Connection by an contractor to the water main with the service line brought to the property line with a curb stop installed at the property line.
  - Water meter package will be supplied by the municipality which includes: 5/8" water meter, meter tailings, 4 us gallon flow restrictor, dual check valve.
  
- \$7,000.00 (sewer connection)
  - Connection by an approved contractor to the sewer main with the service line brought to the property line. Curb stop (where applicable) installed at the property line.
  - Due to the depth of the gravity sewer main, only municipally approved contractors will be allowed to complete the sewer connection and bring the service line to the property line where the privately hired plumber can complete the connection of the service line to the home.

Payment in full is required prior to any works starting. The Municipality will obtain price estimates from contractors. When a contractor is hired and as weather permits, the new service connections lines will be installed and brought to the property line by the Municipality. The appropriate meter package will be supplied by the Municipality to the property owner. Property Owners will be responsible for hiring and paying a contractor of their choosing:

- To connect a water service line to the curb stop, to run the service line through the property into the house, to connect the service line to the shut off valve, to connect the service line to the water meter package and connect to the household.
- to run the sewer service line from the property line into the house and to connect the new service line to the household.

The Property Owner must apply and pay for a plumbing permit prior to any works starting. Contact the municipal office for further information.

In addition to the above fees, all connection fees charged to the Municipality by Water Co-operatives (Pembina Valley Water Co-operative or Cartier Regional Water Co-operative) will be passed on to the customer, and due 30 days from invoice.

## **ELM CREEK:**

- \$7,000.00 (water connection)
  - Connection by an contractor to the water main with the service line brought to the property line with a curb stop installed at the property line.
  - Water meter package will be supplied by the municipality which includes: 5/8" water meter, meter tailings, 4 us gallon flow restrictor, dual check valve.
  
- \$7,000.00 (sewer connection)
  - Connection by an approved contractor to the sewer main with the service line brought to the property line. There is no curb stop needed as this system is gravity fed.
  - Due to the depth of the gravity sewer main, only municipally approved contractors will be allowed to complete the sewer connection and bring the service line to the property line where the privately hired plumber can complete the connection of the service line to the home.

Payment in full is required prior to any works starting. The Municipality will obtain price estimates from contractors. When a contractor is hired and as weather permits, the new service connections lines will be installed and brought to the property line by the Municipality. The appropriate meter package will be supplied by the Municipality to the property owner. Property Owners will be responsible for hiring and paying a contractor of their choosing:

- To connect a water service line to the curb stop, to run the service line through the property into the house, to connect the service line to the shut off valve, to connect the service line to the water meter package and connect to the household.
- to run the sewer service line from the property line into the house and to connect the new service line to the household.

The Property Owner must apply and pay for a plumbing permit prior to any works starting. Contact the municipal office for further information.

In addition to the above fees, all connection fees charged to the Municipality by Water Co-operatives (Pembina Valley Water Co-operative or Cartier Regional Water Co-operative) will be passed on to the customer, and due 30 days from invoice.

## **HAYWOOD & FANNYSTELLE:**

- \$7,000.00 (water connection)
  - Connection by an contractor to the water main with the service line brought to the property line with a curb stop installed at the property line.
  - Water meter package will be supplied by the municipality which includes: 5/8" water meter, meter tailings, 4 us gallon flow restrictor, dual check valve.
  
- \$7,000.00 (sewer connection)
  - Connection by an approved contractor to the low-pressure sewer system with the curb stop installed at the property line.

Payment in full is required prior to any works starting. The Municipality will obtain price estimates from contractors. When a contractor is hired and as weather permits, the new service connection lines and new curb stops for the water and sewer will be installed by the Municipality at the property line. The appropriate meter package will be supplied by the Municipality to the property owner. Individual property owners will be responsible for hiring and paying a contractor of their choosing:

- To connect a water service line to the curb stop, to run the service line through the property into the house, to connect the service line to the shut off valve, to connect the service line to the water meter package and connect to the household.
- to run the sewer service line from the curb stop at the property line into the house and to connect the new service line to the household.

The Property Owner must apply and pay for a plumbing permit prior to any works starting. Contact the municipal office for further information.

In addition to the above fees, all connection fees charged to the Municipality by Water Co-operatives (Pembina Valley Water Co-operative or Cartier Regional Water Co-operative) will be passed on to the customer, and due 30 days from invoice.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL SYSTEMS:**

Schedule A – Application Form. This form must be completed in full and submitted with associated fees to be added onto the RM of Grey’s New Connection List.

There will be only one (1) connection fee and meter package per one (1) roll #/parcel/lot permitted. Property Owners are not permitted to share a connection and/ or meter package with a neighbouring roll #/parcel/lot.

Any unauthorized connections made to the water line system will be charged two times the normal costs for service as well as any other applicable charges the Municipality may incur.

Absolutely no Cross Connections are permitted, including but not limited to exiting well(s)/cistern(s) plumbed into the household.

This policy is in place for individual residential and individual commercial water line connections and not for multi lot subdivisions.

Any equipment needing replacement due to property owner mishandling (*including but not limited to; not keeping the meter in heated area, removal of meter tailings for any reason, etc.*) will be at the Property Owners’ expense. All replacements must be inspected and signed off by the RM of Grey Utility Manager or Lead Operator prior to use.

Any other equipment required (*including but not limited to; in-house pressure boosters, expansion tanks, pressure-reducing valves, flow restrictors, etc.*) will be at the Property Owners’ expense and must be inspected and signed off by the RM of Grey Utility Manager or Lead Operator prior to use.

Any other equipment that may be required or identified from time to time, shall be installed by qualified individuals and will be at the Property Owners’ expense. All equipment must be inspected and signed off by the RM of Grey Utility Manager or Lead Operator.

All new water connections and/or sewer will be inspected by the Utility Manager or Lead Operator before curb stops are turned on. Property Owners must notify the municipal office to make arrangements for this inspection at least 24 hours before making the final connection.

The RM of Grey reserves the right to inspect all water lines, meters and connections on private property at any time. The Property Owner further agrees to grant the Municipality or relevant authority any easement across, on or under the land necessary for the installation of the connection.

Any repairs to the water service line and or meter package from the curb stop at the property line to and inside the residence/business will be at the Property Owners’ expense.

Costs and fees are subject to change at any time without notice.

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GREY**  
**Town Water & Sewer Line Connection Application**  
**SCHEDULE A**

BUSINESS NAME (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

FULL MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

1. I, \_\_\_\_\_ being an Owner or the Owner's Agent, (the "owner") of land in the Rural Municipality of Grey (the "Municipality") commonly known or legally described as, \_\_\_\_\_, (the "land") hereby applies to the Municipality to install a residential or business (circle one) water and or sewer service connection.
  
2. The owner agrees to pay to the Municipality the connection fee, plumbing permit and applicable charges from Water Cooperatives in full, prior to the installation of the water and/or sewer service.

**UTILITY FEE & LOCATION:**

Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_

3. **IT IS UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED:**
  - a. that such installation will consist of approved materials to the property line of the owner (the "connection");
  - b. that the final connection, on private property, from the curb stop will be the responsibility of the owner and shall be installed in structure that is heated and secure before a water meter package is supplied by the Municipality.
  - c. that the Municipality will supply the necessary curb stop and water meter package; the cost of which is included in the connection fee paid or payable as outlined herein.
  
4. The owner further agrees to grant the Municipality or relevant authority any easement across, on or under the land necessary for the installation of the connection.
  
5. This application is a legally binding agreement for the owner to pay the connection fee, accordance with Section 2 herein, prior to installation of the connection.

**6. ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITY BY OWNER or OWNER'S AGENT**

I, the undersigned, do hereby agree to the following:

- a. That prior to commencement of any part of the above project, the Municipality will be given 24 hours' notice so that a representative of the Utility Department can be present during the connection to the municipal service(s).
- b. That no connections to municipal services will be made outside of regular weekday hours except by prior written approval by the Utility Department.
- c. That during the construction of the above works, all due caution will be exercised to minimize the damage to public property.
- d. \* That, I am ultimately responsible for the cost of repairs to municipal infrastructure if damaged due to operations undertaken in conjunction with the above project.

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*\* The Applicant agrees that any unpaid fees or charges owing to the Municipality that relate to the water installation to the property, including any penalties or costs, (Clause 6 - d) related thereto may be added to the property taxes and may be collected by the Municipality in the same manner as a tax may be collected or enforced under the Municipal Act.*