

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRAMAHE

BY-LAW NO. BL-2021-18

Being a By-law to impose a Wastewater Works Service Rate (Sewer) upon users of the sewer system to recover the capital and operating costs required to operate, maintain and expand the water systems in the Township of Cramahe.

Whereas the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, Part 12 provides for a Municipality to pass by-laws imposing fees or charges on any class of person for service or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it; and

Whereas the Municipal Act, Bill 111, Section 391, authorizes the Council of a local municipality to impose a sewer service rate upon owners or occupants of land who are connected or deemed to be connected to the sewage works; and

Whereas, the Sustainable Water and Sewer System Act, Bill 175, imposes the duty upon a regulated entity to recover the full cost of providing sewer services from the public who make use or take enjoyments of those services;

Whereas, Council deems it necessary and expedient to establish a Wastewater (sewer) rate for the Public Sewer System operated within the Township of Cramahe;

Whereas, notice of the proposed passing of the By-law and the Council meeting at which the By-law was to be considered by Council was posted on the Township's web-site on February 19th, 2021.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Cramahe hereby enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the Definitions are as included:
 - a) General – shall mean serviced properties other than residential
 - b) Corporation – shall mean The Township of Cramahe
 - c) Residential – shall mean a property with less than two dwelling units
 - d) Service Charge – is a flat rate established for all users based on the size of the water meter
 - e) User - shall mean all owners of properties serviced by the public sewer supply system and located in the Township of Cramahe.

2. **THAT** a sewer service charge is hereby imposed upon both residential and general service upon the owners of the lands which are supplied who use the Township of Cramahe's sewer system, to pay for the operation, maintenance and expansion of the public Sewer Works as set out in Schedule "A".

3. **THAT** all sewer rate charges shall be billed as separate items on the tax bill and/or water bills and/or electrical bills issued by the Corporation or other companies that the Corporation contracts out to provide such billing services.
4. **THAT** nonpayment of any sewer charges by the due date set out on the bill shall be subject to a penalty at the rate passed by the Corporation or companies contracted to process the water bills.
5. **THAT** a sewer rate charge imposed upon any owner of land is a lien or charge upon the land, and, if the rate or any part thereof remains unpaid after the due date, the unpaid amount including any penalty that is due and payable, may be collected in the same way as municipal taxes are collected or otherwise, as provided by law.
6. **THAT** Schedule "A" wastewater (sewer) rates for the Year 2021 shall form and be part of the By-law, shall come into effect March 1st, 2021.
7. **THAT** this by-law repeals and replaces any previous by-law and/or schedules pertaining to the Wastewater Fees (By-Law 2020-10).

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 16th day of February 2021

Mandy Martin, Mayor

Joanne Hyde, Clerk