

# Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay Policy Statement

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### **TOPIC: WATER AND SEWER TAX**

# **Policy Statement:**

The tax shall be based upon:

A) fixed price per unit, or

B) average cost recovery rate as set by the Town where meters are used

## A. Fixed Price Per Unit

A unit shall be defined as:-

- a) A single family dwelling, or
- b) Any combination of three fixtures, or portion thereof, as outlined in Appendix A, or
- c) Any fixture from Appendix B, or
- d) Any other fixture or water outlet not covered in Appendices A or B, subject to Council's decision

Rate Groups	
Residential	Unit(s) used solely in a manner incidental to the normal occupancy of a place of residence
Commercial	Unit(s) used in a manner incidental to or directly for the operation of a business or industry
Institutional	Unit(s) used in Schools, Churches
	Rates
Residential	Water \$17.50 per unit per month, unless they have a water meter line installed, then the rate shall be as indicated below Sewer \$25.00 per unit per month
Commercial	Water \$17.50 per unit per month, unless they have a water meter line installed, then the rate shall be as indicated below
	Sewer \$25.00 per unit per month, unless they have a water meter line installed, then the rate shall be as indicated below



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### **TOPIC: WATER AND SEWER TAX Continued**

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# Rates Continued

Institutional

Water \$17.50 for the first unit and \$8.75 for each successive unit per month, unless they have a water meter line installed, then the rate shall be as indicated below Sewer \$25.00 for the first unit and \$12.50 for each successive unit per month, unless they have a water meter line installed, then the rate shall be as indicated below

## **B.** Metered Lines

Installation:

- a) Meters shall be installed in accordance with specification laid down by the Town
- b) The cost of the meter installation shall be borne by the rate payer
- c) Meters will be installed at the rate payer's discretion

#### Water Meter Tax Rates

- a) For Residential, Commercial and Institutional users the water rate shall be set at the cost recovery level of \$3.00 per 1,000 gallons, and
- b) The cost recovery level shall be calculated by the Town based upon the average cost from the previous year plus 10 percent. This calculation shall include costs of production, delivery, maintenance of the town's water lines and administration, and
- c) Any special handling costs will be charged on a cost recovery basis.

#### Sewer Meter Tax Rates

a) For Commercial and Institutional users the sewer rate shall be set at the cost recovery level of \$1.66 per 1,000 gallons,



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#### APPENDIX A

## Fixtures - 3 Combination Unit

- a) Shower and/or bath tub
- b) Kitchen sink
- c) Bathroom sink
- d) Toilet
- e) Automatic Washer
- f) Urinal
- g) Water Fountain
- h) Hose connection fed by line ½ inch or less in diameter
- i) Utility sink

### APPENDIX B

### Fixtures - 1 Per Unit

- a) Sink used in a food dispensing outlet or night club
- b) Each 20 lb. Capacity or portion thereof in any clothes washer used for commercial purposes Each water outlet used for washing vehicles, etc., at commercial establishments.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this policy is sealed under the Common Seal of the Town of Happy

Town Clerk, Hayward Broomfield

Valley-Goose Bay.

Mayor, Jamie Snook

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