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ENACTED BY MOTION OF COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HARTLAND THIS 17TH DAY OF MARCH A.D. 1975

SIGNED Charles Allen, Mayor

SIGNED D. Murphy, Clerk

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# A By-Law Relating to the Water Works System of the Town of Hartland

- 1. The charges herein shall apply to the Town generally and shall be in addition to assessment for water and fire purposes in any particular part of the Town, in respect to real and personal property income.
- 2. This By-Law shall be considered a part of the contract between each and every water user and the Town and that every water user expresses consent to be bound hereby.
- 3. The water rates shall be determined and established by Council from year to year and shall be based on the anticipated financial requirements to provide the service during the ensuing year in accordance with following classifications;

# WATER RATE CLASSIFICATIONS

CLASS I - RESIDENTIAL - Water service sold to a single or multiple family dwelling and each and every such household unit contained therein shall be considered

as one outlet unit.

COMMERCIAL - Water service sold for use in any commercial establishment in which water consumption will not exceed 45,000 gallons annually.

#### APPENDIX

- (a) In instances where business is operated from a self-contained home, the rate levied shall be inclusive of the residence.
- (b) In instances where business premises and residence exist in the same building, but are considered by Council to essentially be separate units, this classification will apply to the business portion of the building and residence portion of the building will be subject to a CLASS I rate.

CLASS II - COMMERCIAL - Water service sold for use in any Commercial establishment in which consumption is in excess of 45,000 gallons annually.

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- (b) In instances where business premises and residence exist in same building, but are considered by Council to essentially be separate units, this classification will apply to the business portion of the building and residence portion of the building shall be subject to a CLASS I rate.

CLASS III-INSTITUTIONAL - Water service sold to any public utility.

4. Water rates shall be levied by Council and billed to the user in accordance with the following schelude;

## WATER RATE BILLINGS

#### CLASS I

Water rates shall be billed by the Council to the user on or before March 1st annually as a flat rate and become due and payable on June 1st of the same year.

#### CLASS II

Water rates shall be billed by Council to the user semi-annually June 30th and December 31st of each and every year and the billing to the user for the current portion in each and every case shall be due and payable thirty days after date of issuance at the office of the Town Treasurer.

#### CLASS III

Water rates shall be billed on basis of rate and payment formula negotiated with Town in each instance.

5. An additional charge of 1½% per month of the unpaid balance of the billing, or major portion thereof, shall be added as an interest charge to all unpaid water rate billings in accordance with the following schelude;



- CLASS I After June 15th of the year in which it is billed.
- CLASS II- Thirty days after the due date of the water bill.
- 6. Water service to any user may be disconnected by order of the Town Council for non payment of any water bill that remains unpaid after the expiration of thirty days after the due date of the water bill. All expenses incurred by the Town to disconnect the water service shall be levied and billed to the user, and in each and every case the unpaid bill must be paid to the Town Treasurer before the Town shall consider any application to reconnect the water service. The cost of reconnection of any disconnected water service shall be borne by the user.
- 7. The Town may, at it's sole discretion, install a water meter on any water service pipe of any water user. Financial responsibility for capital cost and installation charges shall be fixed and applied in accordance with the following;
  - CLASS I Meters installed for users under this classification shall be purchased and installed by the Town at no cost to the user.
  - CLASSII Meters installed for users under this classification shall be purchased ans installed
    by the Town and the amortized capital cost of
    the meter and installation shall be charged
    to the outlet user in semi-annual portions
    and each portion shall be added to the semiannual billing when levied.
  - CLASS III Meters installed for users under this classification shall be on the basis of arrangement with the Town in each case.
- 8. All applications for service pipes and the use of water shall be made on forms supplies by the Town, signed by the applicant and specifying for what purpose the water is required.
- 9. The Council in it's discretion, having regard to the expense and general approval of the application, may order a service pipe laid to the street line. The applicant must make connection with the service pipe without delay and he will be charged with full water rates from the time of laying such service pipe.
- 10. Water users must keep their own water system in good repair, protected from frost and prevent waste of water.

- 11. If there has been fraudulent misrepresentation by the applicant, unnecessary waste of water or other negligence, the water supply may be turned off and a fine of Five Dollars (\$5.00) may be imposed for each offense.
- 12. No water user shall supply persons with water or allow then to take it, except for drinking on the premises, under a penalty of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each offense, provided that two or more parties to use the same service, each paying full rates.
- 13. Water used for building or other domestic purposes is not to be taken without a permit for same from the Council; a user permitting others to take water from their taps or premises without such permit, shall be liable under Section 11.
- 14. A user must give written notice of discontinuance. Rebate for the balance of the year, less the current quarter, will be given to him.
- 15. Town employees shall have access to the premises of any user for duties of the Department.
- 16. No person, firm or company shall be entitled to damages for water stoppage if such stoppage is considered necessary by authorities or from non-use when premises are unoccupied or through accident.
- 17. The Council shall decide whether or not service shall be furnished to premises beyond the present or any extended system or to premises with a prohibitive cost of installation, or where plumbing is not of required standard.
- 18. The Council shall appoint an inspector to determine the size and location of service pipes on public property. These service pipes shall not be larger than 1" without special permission of the Council. Such determination shall be final as against the applicant.
- 19. All service pipes shall be at least five and one half  $(5\frac{1}{2})$  feet one point five (1.5) metres underground.
- 20. No connections shall be made between November 1st and May 1st without permission of the Council on the recommendation of the inspector.
- 21. No person, agent or employee shall obstruct access within fifteen (15) feet, four point five (4.5) metres of a fire hydrant valve or fixture of the water system by placing anything at or nearby or tying an animal at or nearby, under penalty of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and costs of removal.
- 22. Anyone who breaks or causes to be broken, a water pipe, hydrant or other thing of the water system, is liable to a penalty of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) with costs of repair or replacement.
- 23. No person shall open or interfere with a hydrant, except members of the fire companies, firewards and Town employees,

- 24. The Council may grant or refuse an application for service not set out in Section3, engine or boiler or larger service; such service shall be on special agreement between the Council and the applicant and when such agreement is completed, the Treasurer issues a permit.
- 25. All fines and penalities hereunder may be recovered before the Police or Sitting Magistrate with costs.