

## 2006 WATER AND SEWER RATES

### Water Rates

Sarnia City Council has approved the following metered water rates schedule for 2006:

<u>Size of Meter</u>		<u>Monthly Service Charge</u>	<u>Rate per cubic meter of Water Consumed</u>
5 / 8"	\$	9.54	74.70 cents
3 / 4"		13.47	74.70 cents
1"		23.61	74.70 cents
1 1 / 2 "		47.22	74.70 cents
2"		87.26	74.70 cents
3"		167.95	74.70 cents
4"		262.43	74.70 cents
6"		545.52	74.70 cents
8"		1,049.56	74.70 cents
10"		1,738.61	74.70 cents

The 2006 water rates reflect an increase of 2.7% in the service charge and in the consumption charge.

Funds generated through the water rates are used to cover the costs to operate and maintain the City's water distribution system in order that water acquired through the Lambton Area Water Supply System (LAWSS) is provided to municipal ratepayers.

### Sewer Charge

The sewer surcharge is calculated at 82% of the total water bill i.e. the monthly service charge plus consumption charge.

Funds generated through the sewer charge are used to cover the costs to operate and maintain the City's sanitary sewage system including the sewage treatment plant.

Anyone who does not have access to the municipal sanitary sewer system may apply to the City for an exemption from the sewer charge.

**Note:** The 2005 portion of your bill is billed at 2005 rates.  
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### Minimum Bill

The minimum bill for any month, or any part of the month, will be the applicable monthly service charge plus sewer charge.

### Bluewater Power

Meter reading, billing and payment collection of the City's water and sewer charges is managed by Bluewater Power Distribution. Bluewater Power issues invoices for both your water and hydro usage on the same bill.

This is another step forward by the City to work progressively with other public service organizations to cut duplication, reduce costs, and ensure that publicly funded staff and resources are applied to the greatest benefits to our residents.

### Leaks Cost You Money

A continuous water leak will result in significant water consumption and unnecessary water and sewer charges. Please ensure that your toilet does not run continuously or that you do not have any other water running unnecessarily.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to keep the area around your water meter clear of obstructions such as brush, flower pots, and vehicles.