

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE
BYLAW NO. 486**

Being a bylaw to repeal Bylaw No. 411 cited as "Village of Port Alice Water Regulations and Rates Bylaw, No. 411, 1997" and; Bylaw No. 414 cited as "Village of Port Alice Amendment Bylaw (Water Rates) No. 414, 1997" and; Bylaw No. 450 cited as "Village of Port Alice Water Regulations and Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 450, 2000";

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend portions of the regulations, and rates for the water system to reflect current operations of the system;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Port Alice in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. For the purpose of this Bylaw, the following definitions shall apply:

"Municipality" means the Village of Port Alice, The Council or persons duly authorized to represent the Council in respect of this Bylaw.

"Water Connection" means a connection to a main supply line and extending to the property line of the customer for the purpose of conveying water to the said customer, and may include a water meter, shall include a shut-off valve and shall be the property of the municipality.

"Disconnection" means the turning off, or complete removal, of a water connection.

"B.C.W.W.A." means British Columbia Water Waste Association.

2. Bylaw No. 411 cited as "Village of Port Alice Water Regulations and Rates Bylaw No. 411, 1997" and; Bylaw No. 414 cited as "Village of Port Alice Amendment Bylaw (Water Rates) No. 414, 1997", and Bylaw No. 450 cited as "Village of Port Alice Water Regulations and Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 450, 2000" are hereby repealed.
3. Applications for the installation and connection of a water service shall be made to the Municipality and shall be made in the form of Schedule "A" of the Bylaw and shall be accompanied by the proper fee as specified in Schedule "B". Each application, when duly signed by the potential applicant, shall be an agreement whereby the applicant agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of this Bylaw.
4. Where an application for a water connection has been made and the water connection cannot be provided unless a water main is extended, such extension shall be made on the following conditions:
 - (a) The applicant will bear the total costs of engineering, labour, equipment of any kind, fittings, pipes, and appurtenances of any and all required extensions as deemed necessary by the Municipality and shall be in compliance with B.C.W.W. A. Standards.
 - (b) In the case of a new subdivision or new area, the engineering, labour, equipment of any kind extension, augmentation and installation of pipes, fittings, appurtenances, pressure reading stations/valves, and water pressure booster pumping stations will be at the cost of the applicant and shall be in compliance with B.C.W.W.A. Standards.
5. The owners of property, whether occupied or vacant, to which a service connection has been made shall be responsible for the payment of all water rates, once initial occupancy has been declared. ¹

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whether the services are actually used or not.

6. The Municipality may, without notice, disconnect the water service to any premise for any of the following reasons, and the Municipality shall not be liable for damages by reason of discontinuing water service for such reasons:
 - (a) Unnecessary or wasteful use of water, or violation of regulations concerning watering or sprinkling;
 - (b) Non-payment of rates as laid down in Schedule "B" of this Bylaw, after such rates are overdue for sixty days or more;
 - (c) Failure to repair or replace defective pipes, fittings, valves, tanks, appurtenances, or appliances which are leaking or are otherwise not in a good state of repair and which would or may become a cause for wasting water.
7. No pump, booster or other device shall be employed by any consumer without permission in writing from the Municipality, for the purpose of, or having the effect of, increasing water pressure in service lines to a higher pressure than the normal water pressure in the said service lines, and the Municipality may, without notice, discontinue service to any customer employing such pump, booster or other device.
8. The Municipality may, whenever in its discretion the public interest so requires, suspend or limit the consumption of water from the municipal water system, or may regulate the hours of use, or may further prescribe the manner in which such water may be used.
9. All persons shall keep the service pipes, appurtenances, fixtures and fittings on their own premises in good order and repair, and protect them from frost at their own risk and expense, and when a premises is vacated the water shall be turned off.
10. The rates and charges enumerated in Schedule "B" of the Bylaw shall be billed semi annually and be rendered on or before the last day of the fifth (5th) month in each half, namely: May 31st and November 30th, and shall be paid to the Municipal Collector no later than the last day of each half, namely: June 30th and December 31st, in each year and further, the billings for metered users shall be rendered on the last day of each half namely: June 30th and December 31st and shall be paid to the Municipal Collector no later than the last day of the first month of each half, namely: January 31st and July 31st. The new rates listed on schedule "B" for both the monthly billing cycle and the metered billing cycle shall be effective January 1st 2004.
11. All rates and charges under this Bylaw shall be paid at the office of the Municipality at Port Alice, B.C.
12. No consumer shall use water for irrigation, sprinkler or garden purposes except in a reasonable manner.
13. When any rates or charges for Municipal water services are unpaid by the due dates:

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Flat rates - June 30th and December 31st
Meter rates - July 31st and January 31st

a ten percent (10%) penalty will be imposed and added to the outstanding balance and any charges authorized by this bylaw, which remain unpaid on December 31st, in the year in which they were imposed, shall be transferred to property taxes in the following year, unless sooner paid.

14. Nothing contained in this Bylaw shall be construed to impose any liability on the municipality to give a continuous supply of water to any person or premises and the Municipality hereby reserves the right at any time to shut off the water from any premises without giving notice to any person from whose premises the water may be shut off.
15. Every person to whom water is supplied under this Bylaw shall at all reasonable times allow any authorized person to enter into and upon the premises in respect of which such water is supplied for the purpose of inspecting the water pipes, fixtures and fittings used in connection with the water supply.
16. Immediately upon the sounding of the fire alarm, all water taps must immediately be shut off and not turned on until no further water is required for fire fighting purposes.
17. Any person who shall install, place or maintain in any premises any water connection, fixture, fitting or appurtenance not in accordance with the requirements of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an infraction thereof.
18. Any person guilty of an infraction of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an offence and shall on summary conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) and costs of conviction or in default imprisonment not exceeding three months.
19. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Village of Port Alice Water Regulations and Rates Bylaw, No. 486, 2003."

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME THIS 22nd DAY OF October, 2003.

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED THIS 12th DAY OF November, 2003.

Clerk

Acting Mayor

Certified a true copy of Bylaw, No. 486, 2003 as adopted.

Clerk

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SCHEDULE 'B'

Detached Residence	\$8.00 per month
Strata Plan 1 & II (each unit)	\$8.00 per month
Trailers and Mobile Homes	\$8.00 per month
Schools - each class room	\$8.00 per month
Garage or Service Station With Car Wash Facilities	\$8.00 per month Metre Rates
Commercial Light Industrial and Industrial	Metre Rates
Apartments (owner to provide metre) Forest Grove Seaview Misty Manor Quatsino Chalet	Metre Rates with a Minimum rate per month of \$5.00 per unit

Metered Rate Users:

First 20,000 cu.ft. used per month	\$0.44 per 100 cu.ft. or part thereof
Next 30,000 cu.ft. used per month	\$0.34 per 100 cu.ft. or part thereof
Next 30,000 cu.ft. used per month	\$0.27 per 100 cu.ft. or part thereof
All in excess of 80,000 cu.ft. used per month	\$0.26 per 100 cu.ft. or part thereof

New Connection Charges:

The owner shall, on application for a connection, deposit with the Collector the following:

Village installed water service/line locate	\$800.00
Serviced lot/line locate	\$250.00
Inspection and administration fee	\$125.00

In the event the actual cost to provide such connection and/or line location exceeds the above stated sums, then the difference shall be paid forthwith. Further, no rebates, refunds or credit whatsoever, of any monies paid or payable shall be provided.