

Proposed Changes to the Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 600, 2024

Schedule A: Administrative Rates

- NSF Cheque Service Charge increased from \$30 to \$35;
- Property Tax Certificate Request increased from \$25 to \$30;
- Information Request – First hour free (as per FOIPPA legislation), hourly fee increased from \$30 to \$40;
- 50 page per day maximum added for photocopying;
- Greyscale Photocopying cost increased by \$0.25 per page;
- Removed “Bulk Copying May Be Negotiated”;
- Development Permit Fees and Development Variance Permit Fees are now on a sliding scale depending on the cost of the project. ;
- Development Permit Fees were \$500, and are now between \$100 and \$500. Development Variance Permit Fees were \$250 and are now between \$100 and \$250;
- Zoning Amendment Fee added at \$400;
- OCP Amendment Fee reduced to \$400;
- New Fee for Joint Zoning and OCP Amendment introduced at \$600;
- Sign Permit costs added to this section;

Schedule B: Animal Licensing & Impound Fees

- Kennel License Fee introduced at \$65 – This charge was not formerly included in the bylaw, but kennels require annual inspection and so represent an actual cost to the Village;
- Daily Boarding Fees increased from \$8 to \$10 for non-vicious dogs and from \$8 to \$15 for vicious dogs;
- Minimum cost of \$150 added for the disposal of an animal;

Schedule C: Cemetery Fees and Charges

- Schedule re-formatted for clarity;
- Interment fees for burials outside of working hours amalgamated for clarity, and fixed at \$500 for full burials and \$250 for cremated remains;
- Transfer of License Fee deemed unnecessary and removed;
- Grave Liner Fee increased from \$300 to \$425 to match actual costs;
- Fee to scatter ashes deemed unnecessary and removed.

Schedule D: Facilities and Equipment Rental Fees

- Schedule re-formatted for clarity;
- “Family” definition added to clarify who is entitled to the family skating rate;
- “Set Up” definition changed from the evening before an event to the full day before an event to allow for more flexibility;
- “Ticketed/For Profit Event” definition added to differentiate from non-profit uses;
- Liability insurance requirements for increased from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000;
- The \$20 booking fee is now in addition to rental fee;
- Clarified that excessive cleanup requirements will be deducted from deposit;
- Cleaning Fee increased to \$85 to match actual cost;
- New annual fitness room membership added at \$200;

* Extensive changes were made to the 47 Mile Complex section for clarity and to differentiate between ice/dry use, and public for-profit/sporting/or private use.

- Community adult recreational use – ice surface increased from \$65/hr to \$80/hr;
 - Community adult recreational use – dry floor increased from \$40/hr to \$65/hr;
 - Community youth recreational use – ice surface increased from \$35/hr to \$50/hr;
 - Community youth recreational use – dry floor increased from \$35/hr to \$40/hr;
 - Tournament, or Ticketed/For Profit Event Use – ice surface increased from \$75/hr to \$100/hr, from \$750/day to \$1000/day, and from \$1200/weekend to \$1400/weekend;
 - Tournament, or Ticketed/For Profit Event Use – dry use set at \$80/hr, \$800/day, and \$1200/weekend;
 - Private functions (but not a for-profit use) – ice surface set at \$45/hr and \$300/day;
 - Private functions (but not a for-profit use) – dry floor set at \$40/hr and \$250/day;
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- Public Skating increased from \$2 to \$4 for an individual, from \$5 to \$10 for a family, from \$50 to \$80 for a family season pass, and from \$20 to \$50 for an individual season pass;
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- The Village has received an increasing number of requests to rent the Curling Rink and/or upstairs lounge in the off-season. The new rates are \$25/hr or \$80/day for the lounge, \$20/hr for the dry floor, or \$40/hr and \$200/day for the whole building;
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- Park rentals were changed to only charge for for-profit events. The bylaw permits Village staff discretion on the charge, which will be decided based on the size of the event, the amount of cleanup expected, and the level of disruption to the larger community's use of the park. Minimum charge of \$30 will apply;
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- A damage deposit of \$200 is now required for chair and table rentals.

Schedules E & F: Water and Sewer Service Rates

- Schedules reformatted and consolidated for clarity;
- Bulk connection fee for water increased from \$0.01/L to \$0.02/L;
- 2026 rates represent a 2% increase to water and sewer rates over 2025. This number may need to be adjusted once Public Works and Finance have had an opportunity to review 2025's budgetary needs.

Schedule G: Business License and Premises Fees

- Definitions and Scope sections added for clarity;
- Home-based business license renewal and late purchase discounts removed.