

January 15, 2021

Report To: Travis Rob, P.Eng., Manager of Operations & Facilities

From: Craig Miller, P.Eng., Environmental Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** Water and Wastewater Long-Range Financial Plan  
Per O.Reg. 453/07 and the Municipal Drinking Water License Renewal

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Attached is a copy of the Water and Wastewater Long-Range Financial Plan, prepared in accordance with O.Reg. 453/07 and the Municipal Drinking Water License Renewal process. This plan has been prepared for the Town of Fort Frances by BMA Management Consulting Inc., as in past years.

In accordance to O.Reg. 453/07 3.(1)1(i), the financial plan must be approved by a resolution that is passed by the council of the municipality, if the owner of the drinking water system is a municipality.

BMA prepared the financial plan based on the following inputs:


- 2021 (draft) operating budget for water and wastewater
- 2017-2020 Budget to actuals for the operating budget for 2017-2020
- 5-year capital budget for water and wastewater
- Reserves related to water and wastewater, including a 5 year historical trend year-end balance
- Debt outstanding, debt payments (principal and existing) of existing water and wastewater debt and schedule for debt repayment over the next 10 years
- Asset Management Plan for Water/Wastewater

The Financial Plan is an integral component to the planning, operation and asset management of the water and wastewater systems. The timing of this plan is unique in that it is able to capture and plan for the known impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic, specific to the water and wastewater.

The Financial Plan indicates that for the period of 2022 through 2026, consolidated water and wastewater rate increases should target 3.4% per year to ensure the Town's reserves are adequate to maintain, repair or replace assets where appropriate.

It is recommended that the Financial Plan be reviewed and approved, as attached.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Craig Miller', is positioned above a yellow rectangular stamp.

Craig Miller, P.Eng.  
Environmental Superintendent

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- Water and Wastewater Long-Range Financial Plan prepared by BMA Management Consulting Inc.