PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Coalhurst began sending sewage to the City of Lethbridge via the new sewage pipeline, in June, 2013. This sewage flow is metered and the Town is charged based on all sewage, storm water, etc. that enters the pipeline. This is a new charge to the Town's operating expenses for the sewage service.

In order to accommodate this expense, through a utility user fee, as opposed to general taxation, Council have approved a further \$6.41 increase per residential unit to the monthly sewer rates, effective July 1, 2014. A review of the sewer rates will also be conducted prior to 2015, which may include implementing a base charge, plus a sewage volume charge based on a customer's winter average water usage volume.

All residents are encouraged to minimize any excess water from entering the sewage system by installing downspout extensions to your residence to direct rain water to the storm sewer. Avoid having sump pumps tied in to the sewer, grade your property away from your foundation and do not tie weeping tiles directly into the sewer.

We thank you for your assistance. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the Town Office at: main@town.coalhurst.ab.ca.

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