



Council Report

Report Number: CORP2024-008
Meeting Date: May 21, 2024
Title: **High Water Bill Relief – 5 Princes’ Street East, Fenelon Falls – Correction of Relief Amount**
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Recommendation(s):

That Report CORP2024-008 **High Water Bill Relief – 5 Princes’ Street East, Fenelon Falls – Correction of Relief Amount**, be received.

That Resolution CR2024-221 be rescinded.

(Note: a 2/3’s vote will be required for this action.)

That Council approve high water bill relief for 5 Princes’ Street East, Fenelon Falls, in the amount of \$3,590.87 as a one-time exemption for the property owners.

Department Head: _____

Financial/Legal/HR/Other: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Background:

At the Council meeting on April 30, 2024, the following resolution was carried:

CR2024-221

Moved By Councillor Perry

Seconded By Councillor Warren

That Report CORP2024-006 **High Water Bill Relief – 5 Princes’ St E, Fenelon Falls**, be received; and

That Council approves providing relief in the amount of \$4,745.00 as a one-time exemption for the property owners.

This report is to recommend a correction in the amount of relief approved.

Rationale:

It appears there was some confusion in the relief amount as the \$4,745.00 was calculated by including all the water/wastewater bills since the account was activated in 2022 versus just the high water bill in question. See below chart:

Trans Date	Read Date	Usage Days	Billing Start Date	Billing End Date	Bill Amount	
20-Dec-23	12-Dec-23	92	1-Oct-23	31-Dec-23	\$ 4,070.29	HIGH BILL IN QUESTION
27-Sep-23	11-Sep-23	91	1-Jul-23	30-Sep-23	\$ 205.51	
29-Jun-23	12-Jun-23	101	1-Apr-23	30-Jun-23	\$ 498.97	
29-Mar-23	3-Mar-23	86	1-Jan-23	31-Mar-23	\$ 254.44	
21-Dec-22	7-Dec-22	49	1-Oct-22	31-Dec-22	\$ 195.84	
	19-Oct-22	0	NEW METER INSTALLED		\$ -	
					\$ 5,225.05	
					\$ (282.17)	Councillor Perry's recommendation for owner to pay
				FIXED CHARGES	\$ (197.25)	Councillor Perry's recommendation for owner to pay
					\$ 4,745.63	
CORRECTED CALCULATION						
Trans Date	Read Date	Usage Days	Billing Start Date	Billing End Date	Bill Amount	
20-Dec-23	12-Dec-23	92	1-Oct-23	31-Dec-23	\$ 4,070.29	HIGH BILL IN QUESTION
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				FIXED CHARGES	\$ (197.25)	Councillor Perry's recommendation for owner to pay
					\$ 3,590.87	

This recommended correction in relief to the property owners meets the intent of council’s decision to recognize high water billing within a single billing period. Should

Council agree and wish to correct the relief provided to the property owners, the following three (3) individual motions will be required:

1. **That** Report CORP2024-008 **High Water Bill Relief – 5 Princes’ St E, Fenelon Falls – Correction of Relief Amount**, be received.
2. **That** Resolution CR2024-221 be rescinded.
(Note: a 2/3’s vote will required for this action.)
3. **That** Council approve high water bill relief for 5 Princes’ Street East, Fenelon Falls, in the amount of \$3,590.87 as a one-time exemption for the property owners.

Alignment to Strategic Priorities

This report is in alignment with the Kawartha Lakes Strategic Plan priority of good government.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

The Water and Wastewater rates are established to recover the cost of producing and delivering safe drinking water to property owners, and the collection and treatment of wastewater.

Providing relief to residents for water bills results in the City incurring a cost with no recovery revenue. This cost is borne by the remaining user rate contributors throughout the City.

Consultations:

Clerk’s Office

Attachments:

Appendix A – CORP2024-006 High Water Bill Relief - 5 Princes' St E, Fenelon Falls



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