

Baraga Village Water Meter Policy

Meter Installation & Maintenance:

1. Owner responsible for all plumbing to install meter.
2. Owner shall have approved valves on both sides of meter.
3. Village will install meter and remote reader, including transmitting wire.
4. If dwelling has a finished basement or unit requires transmitting wire to be concealed, it will be owner's responsibility to install wire.
5. Village will maintain all meters and remotes after original installation.
6. If meter or remote is damaged due to owner negligence (freezing for example), the owner will be responsible for all repair or replacement costs.
7. If a meter or remote is tampered with or removed, the Village may estimate water loss and bill the owner for that amount based on past history, and liable for a civil infraction.
8. If meter needs to be replaced the Village will determine if the piping is satisfactory before installing a new meter. It is up to the property owner to have the necessary plumbing repairs made before a new meter can be installed.
9. The Village is responsible up to the curb stop / property line on water & sewer, it is the property owner's responsibility from there to house. New services will be quoted out a price to bring water line up to property.
10. All dwellings must have a water meter installed, including all rental units. Each rental unit must either have a master meter or separate water meters for each apartment. The master meter would be the landowner's responsibility for paying the entire meter charge. Separate meters will be billed on each electric meter bill.
11. If there is a water leak on owner's property, the Village has the right to disconnect services if not repaired in 30 days and bill for estimated water loss.
12. The Village has the right to disconnect any service if landowner does not comply with the Village's attempt to replace a meter.