

# Water Meters



In accordance with Chapter 620 of the Public Utility Commission's Rules and Regulations, "a customer must maintain the plumbing and fixtures within his/her own premises in good repair and protect them from freezing or from heat damage. If damage does occur, the customer is liable for any expenses incurred." The Jackman Utility District installs SR11 water meters with replaceable parts in many of the seasonal properties. These meters are designed to break at the bottom plate if frozen. That allows the operators to "rebuild" the meter. This cost much less, currently around \$30.00, than having to install a new meter. A new meter has an installation free currently at \$125.00.



In properties that are continually occupied we use a Sensus meters. They do not have changeable parts, however they are equipped with smart technology. We can hook the register up to a computer and get a history of the consumption over time. This is helpful when trying to determine why customers have high readings. It shows how much water is being used over a certain time frame. The downfall to this meter is that if the meter does freeze due to extended power outages or heat system malfunctions, there are no changeable parts, a new meter must be installed.