

# HOW TO READ YOUR WATER METER

The Township of Malahide will read your water meter at regular intervals for billing purposes. **Should you wish to monitor your own consumption**, here are the steps:



- Shine a flashlight over the flashlight icon (located on the register face) to activate the LCD display\*
- Take a reading at a set time of day
- Take a second reading at the same time the following day
- Subtract the first reading from the second reading to obtain your daily water consumption

**\*Note:** when the register display is first activated via a flashlight, all digits and icons will be briefly displayed followed by software version information. The register display will then toggle displaying the reading and then the flow rate alternating every 4 seconds. The flow rate is per minute. Newer models of this register type require the flashlight to be held above the register solar panel for as long as the building owner would like the display on.

## Leak Indicator

Displays a possible leak

- **OFF** – indicates no leak
- **Flashing** – water usage more than 50% of the time in last 24hr period
- **ON (Solid)** – water usage continuous in the last 24 period, most likely a leak in your home



The LCD displays your meter read in cubic metres. The last 4 digits to the right are fractions of a cubic metre. The sample display above reads as 26.3987 cubic metres. Last digit to the right represents 1/10<sup>th</sup> of a litre (100mL)

## Flow Indicator

Displays water flow activity

- **ON** – water in use
- **OFF** – water not in use
- **Flashing** – very low flow
- **Negative** – reverse flow
- **Positive** – forward flow