

COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
BY- LAW NO. 1119-2009

A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7 IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING EMERGENCY SERVICES AND THE RECOVERY OF EMERGENCY SERVICES COSTS.

WHEREAS

The *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time, provides that Council of a municipality may pass a bylaw for the safety, health and welfare of people, and the protection of people and property;

AND WHEREAS

The *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time, provides that Council of a municipality may pass a bylaw in relation to services provided for on behalf of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS

The *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time, provides that a municipality may collect, pursuant to a bylaw, costs and expenses incurred by the municipality for extinguishing fires;

AND WHEREAS

The *Forest and Prairie Protection Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. F-19, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time, provides the municipality with the authority to enforce the provisions of the said Act;

AND WHEREAS

Council for the County of Thorhild No. 7 wishes to provide for the establishment of the Emergency Services Department and the recovery of costs incurred by the municipality in providing the Emergency Services;

**NOW
THEREFORE**

The Council of the County of Thorhild No. 7, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1. NAME OF BYLAW

1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "Emergency Services Bylaw".

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 In the Bylaw, the following terms shall have the meanings prescribed:

2.1.1 "Chief Administrative Officer" shall mean the Chief Administrative Officer of the County or his designate;

2.1.2 "Council" means the Council of the County of Thorhild No.7;

2.1.3 "County" means the County of Thorhild No. 7;

2.1.4 "Dangerous Goods" means those products or substances which are regulated by the *Dangerous Goods Transportation and Handling Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. D-4, and its Regulations as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time;

2.1.5 "Emergency Operations Supervisor" means the Member of the Emergency Services Department who is appointed the

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Emergency Operations Supervisor by the Chief Administrative Officer who performs the duties and responsibilities as set out in this Bylaw and all applicable County policies;

- 2.1.1.6 "Emergency Services" means any service delivered by the County that is authorized by Council and designed to prevent, combat or alleviate the effect of a fire, medical or other emergency including, but not limited to, basic and advanced life support, emergency medical services, fire prevention, fire suppression, fire investigation, rescue services, public education and information, training or other staff development;
- 2.1.1.7 "Emergency Services Charge" means those costs incurred by the County as a result of the provision of Emergency Services in relation to a specific Incident within the municipal boundaries of the County;
- 2.1.1.8 "Emergency Services Department" means the department as established and organized for the County pursuant to the provisions of this Bylaw and all applicable County policies and consists of all Members, the Fire Chief and the Emergency Operations Supervisor, as well as all Emergency Services Property.
- 2.1.1.9 "Emergency Services Property" means all property owned or controlled by the County or Emergency Services Department, and designated for use by the Emergency Services Department to respond to an Incident or other emergency, regardless of the source of the property, and includes but is not limited, equipment, materials, supplies and fire stations;
- 2.1.1.10 "Emergency Services Unit" means a fire truck, pumper truck, rescue truck, fast attack truck or tanker, or a combination of Emergency Services property used collectively in response to a specific type of Incident or emergency;
- 2.1.1.11 "False Alarm" means any notification, by whatever means received, to the County's Emergency Services Department or a Member respecting the existence of an Incident or other emergency for which Emergency Services Department responds where the Incident or emergency reports does not, in fact exist;
- 2.1.1.12 "Fire" means any combustible materials in a state of combustion;
- 2.1.1.13 "Fire Ban" means an Order issued by the Minister responsible for the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act*, or an order issued pursuant to this Bylaw for the purpose of canceling all fire permits, prohibiting the lighting of, or requiring the extinguishment of all Fires;
- 2.1.1.14 "Fire Chief" means a Member of Emergency Services appointed by and reports to the Emergency Operations Supervisor, to perform the duties and responsibilities as set out in this Bylaw, all applicable County policies and the policies of the Emergency Services Department;
- 2.1.1.15 "Fire Guardian" means a person named or appointed by Council or under the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act*, as a Fire Guardian.

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- 2.1.16 "Fire Hazard" means combustible material that, in the opinion of a Member, due to its nature, location, condition or arrangement, or any combination of these factors, may be ignited and could endanger human life or damage property;
- 2.1.17 "Fire Permit" means a document issued by a Fire Guardian pursuant to the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act* or this Bylaw, allowing for the setting of a specific type of Fire, on the form adopted by the County from time to time;
- 2.1.18 "*Forest and Prairie Protection Act*" means the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. F-19, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time;
- 2.1.19 "Hamlet" means an unincorporated community designated as a hamlet pursuant to section 59 of the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.1.20 "Illegal Fire" means any Fire for which there is no valid and subsisting Fire Permit or which is not specifically excluded from the requirement for a Fire Permit by the operation of this Bylaw or the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act*, or any Fire lit or not extinguished while a Fire Ban is in effect;
- 2.1.21 "Incident" means a Fire or a situation where a Fire or explosion is imminent or any other situation where there is a danger or possible danger to life or Property;
- 2.1.22 "Incinerator Fire" means a Fire for the purpose of burning household refuse, except plastics, that is confined within a non-combustible structure or container that has its draft and smoke vents covered by a heavy gauge metal screen having a mesh size not larger than 6 millimeters or which is ventilated in such a manner as to preclude the escape of combustible materials and a minimum of 30 meters from any structure or standing timber;
- 2.1.23 "Member" means any person who is duly appointed a member of the Emergency Services Department and includes the Emergency Operations Supervisor and the Fire Chief;
- 2.1.24 "*Municipal Government Act*" means the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time;
- 2.1.25 "Open Fire" means any Fire which is not an Incinerator Fire, a Pit Fire, Smudge Fire or Running Fire, and which includes but is not limited to grass, forest and brush fires, structure fires, building fires, wood scrap fires, ground thawing fires and chattel fires;
- 2.1.26 "Peace Officer" means a Police Officer, Special Constable or a Bylaw Enforcement Officer;
- 2.1.27 "Pit Fire" means an outdoor Fire which is totally confined within a non-combustible structure or container, which is used for the purposes of cooking or obtaining warmth, fueled solely by dry wood, charcoal, coal, natural gas, propane or diesel;
- 2.1.28 "Property" means any real or personal property, including but not limited to land and structures;

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2.1.29 "Provincial Offences Procedure Act" means the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. P-34, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time;

2.1.30 "Running Fire" means a Fire that is, in the opinion of a Member, burning without being under the proper or any control of a qualified person;

2.1.31 "Smudge Fire" means a Fire confined within a non-combustible structure or container, lit for the purpose of protecting livestock from insects or for protecting garden plants from frost.

3. EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

3.1 Council hereby establishes the Emergency Services Department for the following purposes:

- 3.1.1 Preventing and extinguishing Fires;
- 3.1.2 Coordinate investigation of responses, as required;
- 3.1.3 Preserving life and property and protecting persons and property from injury or destruction by Fire;
- 3.1.4 Assisting with ambulance and emergency medical services;
- 3.1.5 Preventing prairie or Running Fires and enforcing the provisions of the *Forest Prairie and Protection Act*;
- 3.1.6 Preventing, combating and controlling Incidents;
- 3.1.7 Carrying out preventable controls;
- 3.1.8 Fulfilling the requirements of any Mutual Aid Agreement with other municipalities, or other agencies for the joint use, control and management of Emergency Services Property in response to Incidents and other emergencies;
- 3.1.9 Operating Emergency Services Property to extinguish Fires, preserve life and property and for training purposes;
- 3.1.10 Controlling and mitigating Incidents involving Dangerous Goods; and
- 3.1.11 Otherwise providing Emergency Services as required;

In accordance with the policies and guidelines established by the County from time to time.

4. EMERGENCY OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR

4.1 The Emergency Operations Supervisor shall be appointed by and report to the Chief Administrative Officer or his designate;

4.2 The Emergency Operations Supervisor shall be solely responsible for managing the Emergency Services Department, subject to this Bylaw, County policies and the direction of the Chief Administrative Officer, or his designate and may prescribe rules, regulations and policies for the ongoing organization and administration of the Emergency Services Department, including but not limited to:

4.2.1 care, maintenance and protection of Emergency Services Property;

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4.2.2 the appointment, recruitment, conduct, discipline, duties, training and responsibilities of Members;

4.2.3 the efficient operation of the Emergency Services Department; and

may perform such other functions and have such other powers and responsibilities the Chief Administrative Officer or his designate may from time to time prescribe.

4.3 The Emergency Operations Supervisor or his designate may enter onto land or structures for the purposes of inspection or enforcement of this Bylaw pursuant to section 542 of the *Municipal Government Act*.

4.4 The Emergency Operations Supervisor shall:

4.4.1 Upon approval of the Council, purchase or otherwise acquire Emergency Services Property required for the operation, maintenance and administration of the Emergency Services Department to be used in connection therewith;

4.4.2 Keep or cause to be kept, in proper form, records of all business transactions of the Emergency Services Department, including the purchase of Emergency Services Property and the records of Incidents attended, actions taken, inspections carried out and actions taken on account of providing Emergency Services or any other records incidental to the operation of the Emergency Services Department;

4.5 The Emergency Operations Supervisor, or in his absence, the Fire Chief, or in his absence, the senior Member present shall have control, direction and management of any Incident including the Emergency Services Property and, where a Member is in charge, that Member shall continue to act in such capacity until relieved by the Emergency Operations Supervisor or Fire Chief, *in accordance with Standard Operating Guidelines.*

4.6 The Emergency Operations Supervisor, or in his absence, the Fire Chief, or in his absence, the senior Member present at an Incident, may, at his discretion, establish boundaries or limits of approach for the purpose of protecting the public and preserving control over the Incident and may prevent persons from entering the area within the prescribed boundaries or limits unless authorized.

4.7 The Emergency Operations Supervisor, or in his absence, the Fire Chief, or in his absence, the senior Member present at an Incident, is empowered to enter to take any actions he determines to be necessary in order to directly or indirectly respond to and control an Incident, including, but not limited to:

4.7.1 Passing through or over buildings or Property whether adjacent or in proximity to an Incident and remain in or on the building or Property;

4.7.2 Authorize or direct Members and Emergency Services Property to enter or pass through or over the building or Property and remain in or on the building or Property;

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Property and remain in or on the building or Property;

- 4.7.3 Cause the building, structure or thing to be pulled down, demolished or otherwise removed.

5. EMERGENCY SERVICES CHARGES

5.1 Upon Emergency Services being provided by the Emergency Services Department within the municipal boundaries of the County, the County in its sole and absolute discretion may charge:

5.1.1 The person or persons causing or contributing to the Incident; or

5.1.2 The owner or occupant of the lands on which the Incident occurred;

An Emergency Services Charge, and all persons charged are jointly and severally responsible for the Emergency Services Charge.

5.2 The schedule of fees for the Emergency Services Charge shall be set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this Bylaw.

5.3 A person charged with an Emergency Services Charge under this Bylaw may appeal the charge by delivering to the County Office a written notice stating the intention to appeal and the reasons for appeal the charges within THIRTY (30) days from the date of the person's receipt of the notice of the charges.

5.4 Upon receipt of an appeal of an Emergency Services Charge, the County shall schedule a date for the appeal hearing within THIRTY (30) days of receipt of the appeal notice and notify the person appealing the charges in writing of the date of the appeal hearing.

5.5 Council, upon hearing from the person appealing the Emergency Service Charge and, if required, the Chief Administrative Officer or his designate, shall:

- (a) Uphold the Emergency Service Charge;
- (b) Vary the amount of the Emergency Service Charge; or
- (c) Cancel the Emergency Service Charge.

5.6 The decision of Council shall be in writing and shall be final and binding upon the person upon whom the Emergency Services Charges are levied against and not subject to any further appeal.

5.7 In the event that the amount levied by the County is not paid in full within THIRTY (30) days after notice is provided by the County, or in the event of an appeal, within THIRTY (30) days of the date of mailing of the decision of Council, the amount levied and unpaid shall, at the County's sole and absolute discretion, be charged against the land upon which the Incident occurred as taxes due and owing in respect of the lands, in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.

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5.8 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Bylaw, the County may collect the Emergency Services Charge by way of civil action in a Court of competent jurisdiction, in the Province of Alberta, and any civil action does not invalidate any action, which the County is entitled to take pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act*.

6. FIRE GUARDIANS

6.1 Each year before April 1, Council shall appoint Fire Guardians to enforce the provisions of the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act* and this Bylaw within the municipal boundaries of the County.

7. AUTHORITY OF FIRE GUARDIANS

7.1 Unless otherwise limited, Fire Guardians shall have the authority and power to:

7.1.1 Issue a Fire Permit in respect of any property within the County;

7.1.2 Issue a Fire Permit unconditionally or to impose any conditions with the Permit that the Fire Guardian considers appropriate, in his or her sole discretion, given the nature of the fire and prevailing circumstances, location and environmental conditions;

7.1.3 Suspend or cancel a Fire Permit at any time;

7.1.4 Enforce the provisions of the *Forest Prairie Protection Act* within the boundaries of the County;

7.1.5 Where, in the opinion of the Fire Guardian, there is a risk to the public in relation to the proposed Fire, refuse to issue a Fire Permit.

8. ENTRY AND INSPECTION

8.1 Notwithstanding Section 4.3, A Fire Guardian may without a warrant, at any reasonable time, enter on and inspect any land and Property, except a private dwelling house, for the purpose of exercising powers or performing duties under the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act*.

8.2 A Fire Guardian may, without a warrant, enter any private dwelling house that is on Fire and proceed to fight the Fire.

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9. CONTROL OF FIRE HAZARD

- 9.1 If the Emergency Operations Supervisor, Fire Chief or a Fire Guardian find, on privately owned land, or occupied public land within the County, conditions that in his opinion, constitute a Fire Hazard, he may issue an order pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act* to the owner or the person in control of the land on which the Fire Hazard exists to reduce or remove the Fire Hazard within a fixed time and in a manner prescribed by the Emergency Operations Supervisor, Fire Chief or Fire Guardian.
- 9.2 If an order under section 9.1 has not been carried out, the Emergency Operations Supervisor, Fire Chief, or Fire Guardian may enter onto the land with any equipment and any persons deemed necessary and perform the work required to eliminate or reduce the Fire Hazard.
- 9.3 The owner or occupant of the lands on which work is performed pursuant to section 9.2, shall, upon demand, pay to the County an Emergency Service Charge. Failing payment by the owner or occupant within thirty (30) days of the demand, the County may place the unpaid costs and expenses incurred on the tax roll for the land for which the order was issued.

10. FIRE PERMITS

- 10.1 No person shall permit a Fire upon land owned or occupied by him or under his control except when he is holder of a valid and subsisting Fire Permit issued pursuant to this Bylaw or the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act* or unless the specific type of Fire is specifically exempted from requiring a Fire Permit either in this Bylaw or the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act*.
- 10.2 Notwithstanding section 10.1, no person shall permit a Fire upon land owned or occupied by or under his control, which is located within a Hamlet unless the specific type of Fire is exempted pursuant to section 10.9 of this Bylaw.
- 10.3 An application for a Fire Permit shall be made in writing on the form adopted by the County as may be amended from time to time.
- 10.4 Fire Permits are required year round.
- 10.5 A Fire Permit shall only be valid for the time period expressly indicated on the Permit, as determined by the Fire Guardian issuing the Permit at his or her sole discretion, having regard for the nature and purpose of the fire and prevailing circumstances and environmental conditions.
- 10.6 A Fire Guardian may extend the period of time that an existing Fire Permit remains valid, so long as the extension is requested and approved prior to the expiration of the Fire Permit.
- 10.7 A Fire Guardian may, in his sole discretion, terminate, suspend or cancel a Fire Permit at any time. Upon receiving notification of termination, suspension or cancellation of the Fire Permit, the Fire Permit holder shall immediately extinguish any Fire set pursuant to the Fire Permit.

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- 10.8 A Fire Permit is not transferable.
- 10.9 A Fire Permit is not required under this Bylaw for the following types of Fires:
- 10.9.1 A Pit Fire;
 - 10.9.2 A Fire started by the Emergency Services Department for training purposes; or
 - 10.9.3 Any Fire, which is exempted from requiring a Fire Permit under the *Forest Prairie and Protection Act* and its Regulations.

11. FIRE BAN

- 11.1 The Chief Administrative Officer or the Emergency Operations Supervisor may, from time to time, prohibit all Fires, whether requiring a Fire Permit or not, when in the opinion the Chief Administrative Officer or the Emergency Operations Supervisor, the prevailing environmental conditions give rise to an increased risk of a Fire becoming a Running Fire.
- 11.2 A Fire Ban imposed pursuant to section 11.1 of this Bylaw, shall remain in force until either the date provided in the notice of the Fire Ban or until such time the Chief Administrative Officer or the Emergency Operations Supervisor provides notice to the public that the Fire Ban is no longer in effect.
- 11.3 Notice of a Fire Ban shall be provided to the public. Notice may be in the form of signs posted throughout the municipality, in locations to be determined by the County, through a public service message on the local radio stations, or by any other means, which the Chief Administrative Officer, determines is appropriate for the purpose of informing the public of the Fire Ban.
- 11.4 When a Fire Ban is in place, no person shall ignite a Fire, whether or not the person is the holder of a Fire Permit and shall immediately extinguish any Fire lit once the Person knows or ought reasonably to know of the Fire Ban.

12. LIABILITY

- 12.1 The Emergency Operations Supervisor, Fire Chief, a Member or any other person charged with the enforcement of this Bylaw, are not liable for any loss or damage caused by anything said or done or omitted to be done in good faith in the performance or intended performance of their functions, duties or powers under this Bylaw, any other bylaw or enactment.

13. OFFENCES

- 13.1 No person shall:
- 13.1.1 Contravene any provision of this Bylaw;

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- 13.1.1.2 Deposit, discard or abandon any burning matter or substance so as to create a Fire Hazard;
- 13.1.1.3 Provide false, incomplete or misleading information to a Fire Guardian or any representative of the Emergency Services Department with respect to a Fire or a Fire Permit application;
- 13.1.1.4 Impede, obstruct or hinder the Emergency Operations Supervisor, the Fire Chief, a Member, or any other person assisting or acting under the direction of the Emergency Operations Supervisor, the Fire Chief or the Member in charge at any Incident;
- 13.1.1.5 Damage or destroy Emergency Services Property;
- 13.1.1.6 Falsely represent himself as a Member or wear or display any County Emergency Services Department badge, cap, button, insignia or other paraphernalia for the purpose of such false representation;
- 13.1.1.7 Drive a vehicle over any Emergency Services Property without the permission of the Emergency Operations Supervisor, the Fire Chief or the Member in charge at the Incident;
- 13.1.1.8 Obstruct or otherwise interfere with:
 - (a) Access to the scene of an Incident or other emergency by Emergency Service Department personnel or Emergency Services Property;
 - (b) Access to a Fire Hydrant, cistern or other body of water designated for firefighting purposes; or
 - (c) Access to connections to fire mains, stand pipes, or sprinkler systems.
- 13.1.1.9 Cross any boundaries or limits established by the Emergency Services Department in accordance with this Bylaw, without the express authorization of the Emergency Operations Supervisor, the Fire Chief, or the Member in charge;
- 13.1.1.10 Obstruct a Member from carrying out any function or activity related to the provision of the Emergency Services;
- 13.1.1.11 Allow a Fire to be lit, unless the person is the holder of a valid and subsisting Fire Permit or the Fire is a type of Fire that is excluded from the requirement of a Fire Permit;
- 13.1.1.12 Either directly, or indirectly, personally or through an agent, servant or employee, light a Fire or let a Fire become a Running Fire on any land not his or her own property or allow a Running Fire to pass from his or her own property to the property of another;
- 13.1.1.13 Light a Fire without first taking sufficient precautions to ensure that the Fire can be kept under control at all times;

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- 13.1.1.14 Light a Fire when, a reasonable person would recognize that the weather conditions, including but not limited to wind speed or droughts, are conducive to create a Running Fire;
- 13.1.1.15 Fail to take reasonable steps to control a Fire for the purpose of preventing it from becoming a Running Fire or from spreading onto property other than his or her own;
- 13.1.1.16 Conduct any activity that might reasonably be expected to cause a Fire unless that person exercises reasonable care to prevent a Fire from occurring;
- 13.1.1.17 Conduct any activity that involves the use of Fire, where the produced impedes the visibility of vehicular and pedestrian traffic on any road or highway;
- 13.1.1.18 Light a Fire on lands owned or controlled by the County except with the County's express written consent;
- 13.1.1.19 Light a Fire for the purposes of burning manure, livestock or other animal carcasses, materials that will result in the production of dense black smoke, or herbicides, pesticides, hazardous waste or other toxic materials or substances.

14. PENALTIES

- 14.1 Any person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw, fails to comply with any condition in a Fire Permit or with any Order or request directed to that person pursuant to this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable, upon summary conviction, to the specified penalty for the offence set out in Schedule "B".
- 14.2 Notwithstanding Section 14.1 of this Bylaw, any person who commits a second or subsequent offence under this Bylaw within ONE (1) year of committing the first offence shall be liable to either double the fine for the first offence or the fine specifically establishes for subsequent offences as set out in Schedule "B" of this Bylaw.
- 14.3 Under no circumstances shall any person contravening any provision of this Bylaw be subject to a penalty of imprisonment.

15. VIOLATION TICKETS

- 15.1 A Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a Violation Ticket pursuant to Part II of the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act* to any person whom the Peace Officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this Bylaw.

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15.2 A Violation Ticket issued with respect to a contravention of this Bylaw shall be served upon the Person responsible for the contravention in accordance with the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act*.

15.3 The person to whom the Violation Ticket has been issued may plead guilty by making a voluntary payment in respect of the Summons by delivering to the Provincial Court, on or before the initial appearance date, the Violation Ticket together with an amount equal to the specified penalty for the offences provided in Schedule "B".

15.4 When a Clerk of the Provincial Court records the receipt of a voluntary payment pursuant to section 15.3 and the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act*, the act of recording constitutes acceptance of the guilty plea and also constitutes a conviction and the imposition of a fine in the amount of a specified penalty.

16. SEVERABILITY

16.1 Should any section or part of this Bylaw be found to be improperly enacted or *ultra vires*, for any reason, then such section or part shall be regarded as being severable from the Bylaw and the Bylaw remaining after such severance shall be effective and enforceable.

17. REPEAL

17.1 Bylaw 835-84 and 940-93 are hereby repealed.

18. EFFECTIVE DATE

18.1 This Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon third and final reading.

READ a first time in Council this 27th day of March, 2009.

READ a second time in Council this 27th day of March, 2009.

READ a third and final time in Council this 27th day of March, 2009.


Henry Zelenski
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County Manager

SCHEDULE "A" - EMERGENCY SERVICES CHARGES

1. Where the County has taken any action whatsoever responding to an Incident or False Alarm, the Emergency Services Charge shall be:

\$300.00 per hour per for an Emergency Services response for the first TWO (2) hours; plus

\$300.00 per hour per unit of Emergency Services Property dispatched to the Incident after the first TWO (2) hours (if applicable); plus

Any other costs incurred by the County as a result of the Incident which do not form part of the standard costs and expenses of providing Emergency Services, including but not limited to contracted services, mutual aid, etc.

2. Where the County has taken any action responding to an Incident resulting from a motor vehicle accident or motor vehicle fire, the Emergency Services Charge shall be:

a) If the Incident occurs on Municipal Roadways:

\$300.00 per hour per for an Emergency Services response for the first TWO (2) hours; plus

\$300.00 per hour per unit of Emergency Services Property dispatched to the Incident after the first TWO (2) hours (if applicable); plus

Any other costs incurred by the County as a result of the Incident which do not form part of the standard costs and expenses of providing Emergency Services, including but not limited to contracted services, mutual aid, etc.

b) If the Incident occurs on Provincial Highways:

In accordance with Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation Policy TCE-DC-501, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time.

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SCHEDULE "B"

SPECIFIED PENALTIES

<u>OFFENCE</u>	<u>SPECIFIC PENALTY</u>
Contravention of any provision of this Bylaw	\$300.00
Second or subsequent offence within (ONE) Year	\$600.00

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