

BYLAW 2024-09
A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF MILLET
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
REGULATING THE KEEPING AND CONTROLLING OF ANIMALS

WHEREAS Section 7(h) of the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26.1 and amendments thereto empowers the Municipal Council of the Town of Millet to regulate and control animals within the Municipality.

AND WHEREAS, Council deems it expedient and proper to regulate the keeping of animals within the limits of the Municipality.

NOW THEREFORE, Council of the Town of Millet duly assembled hereby enacts:

1. This Bylaw may be cited as the **Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw**.

DEFINITIONS

2. In this Bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. **Animal** means any living organism, other than human, having sensation and the power for voluntary movement and requiring oxygen and organic food for existence.
- b. **Animal Shelter** means a place that Council shall provide or designate as such.
- c. **Animal Shelter Keeper** means any person duly authorized and designated by Council;
- d. **At Large** means where an animal is at any place other than the Owner's property or permitted property and is not being carried by any person or is not otherwise restrained by a permitted leash held by a person, and that permitted leash is attached to a choke chain, collar or harness securely holding that animal. If it is difficult for a person to restrain the animal by a permitted leash, then the animal shall be deemed to be "at large" notwithstanding the presence of a permitted leash,
- e. **Cat Identification Tag** means an identification tag purchased from the Town of Millet.
- f. **Cat** means any male or female member of the feline family.
- g. **Collar** means, a band of metal or material, which is of suitable size and strength that may be humanely placed around the neck of an animal.
- h. **Controlled Confinement** means the confinement of an animal in a pen, cage or building or securely tethered in a manner that will not allow the animal to bite, harm or harass any person or animal.
- i. **Council** means the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Millet, Alberta.
- j. **Damage to Property** means the damage to property other than the Owner's property and includes defecating or urinating on such property.

- k. **Dangerous Dog** means a dog of any age which the Enforcement Officer deems dangerous or which:
 - i. Shows a propensity, disposition or potential to attack or injure, without provocation, humans or other animals; or
 - ii. Without provocation, chases humans or other animals; or
 - iii. Is a continuing threat of serious harm to humans or other animals, or
 - iv. Without provocation, has attacked humans or other animals

- l. **Day** means a continuous period of twenty-four (24) hours.

- m. **Dog** means either male, female, neutered or spayed dog.

- n. **Dogs Off-Leash Area** shall mean an area of land designated by the Council of the Town indicating that dogs are permitted to run at large.

- o. **Enforcement Officer** means any Peace Officer, Bylaw Enforcement Officer, Police Officer, a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, or any other person appointed by the Town to enforce the provisions of this Bylaw.

- p. **Identification** means, a microchip, license tag, vaccination, tag, tattoo, personal tag, or brand which is found on an animal and can be traced to the current ownership information.

- q. **Large Mammal** means any member of the class mammalian other than man which in the adult form, regularly weighs ten (10) kilograms or more, but shall not include dogs or cats;

- r. **Licensed Veterinarian** means a registered veterinarian as defined in the Veterinary Profession Act.

- s. **Medical Officer of Health** means the Medical Officer of Health as appointed and defined in the Public Health Act or his or her designate.

- t. **Muzzle** means, a humane fastening or covering device of adequate strength that may be humanely placed around the neck of an animal.

- u. **Owner** means:
 - i. A person or body corporate that has legal title to the animal;
 - ii. A person who has the care, charge, custody, possession or control of an animal;
 - iii. A person who owns or who claims any proprietary interest in an animal;
 - iv. A person who harbors, suffers or permits an animal to be present on any property owned, occupied or leased by him or which is otherwise under his control;

- v. A person who claims and receives an animal from the custody of the Animal Shelter or an Animal Control Officer; or
 - vi. A person to whom a License Tag is issued for an animal in accordance with this Bylaw;
 - vii. and for the purpose of this Bylaw an animal may have more than one (1) Owner.
- v. **Owner Property** means any property in which the Owner of an animal has a legal or equitable interest or over which the Owner of an animal has been given the control or use of by the legal or equitable Owner of the property and which property shall include, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, land, buildings and vehicles'
- w. **Permitted Leash** means a leash adequate to control the animal to which it is attached, and which leash shall not exceed three (3) meters in length.
- x. **Permitted Property** means private property upon which the Owner of an animal has the express permission of the Owner of that property to allow the Owner's animal to be at large thereon.
- y. **Person** means:
- i. An individual, body corporate or organization that has legal title to animal;
 - ii. An individual, body corporate or organization that has the care, charge, custody, possession or control of an animal;
 - iii. An individual, body corporate or organization who owns or who claims any proprietary interest in an animal;
- z. **Poultry** means a bird usually kept for eggs or meat.
- aa. **Running at Large** means a dog or cat, which is not on a leash and/or under the control of the person responsible and is actually on property other than the Owner Property;
- bb. **Serious Wound** means an injury to a human or animal resulting from the action of an animal which causes the skin to be broken or flesh to be torn.
- cc. **Town** means the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Millet, in the Province of Alberta.
- dd. **Motor Vehicle** has the same meaning as in Traffic Safety Act, RSA 2000, Chapter T-6 and the regulations thereunder.
- ee. **Nuisance Animal** means any animal that by its continued behavior is obnoxious, causes offence, annoyance, disturbs others or damages or destroys property or has been found at large or has been found at large and detained by Enforcement Officers more than twice.

CLARIFICATION OF DEFINITION

3. In any prosecution under this Bylaw, the Judge trying the case may, in the absence of proof to the contrary, infer that:
 - a. any animal commonly described as a dog by any witness is a dog within the meaning of this Bylaw, and
 - b. any dog is running at large if it is shown not to be on a leash at the time of the alleged offence.
 - c. any animal commonly described as a cat by any witness is a cat within the meaning of this bylaw, and
 - d. any cat is running at large if it is shown to be off of the owner property and not on leash

RESTRICTIONS

4. It shall be unlawful for any person to harbour or permit to be harboured on land or premises occupied by that person:
 - a. any large mammal or the young thereof;
 - b. any live poultry;
 - c. any bees;
 - d. any poisonous snakes, reptiles and insects;
 - e. any animal or species, including the above, deemed dangerous or objectionable in the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health, CAO or Enforcement Officer.
5. The CAO or Enforcement Officer may impose a time limit for removal of prohibited animals.
6. Upon Review, under approval of the CAO or Enforcement Officer a restricted/prohibited animal may be approved.
7. Application for special permits may be granted for special events.
8. Section 4 shall not apply to any veterinary clinic, veterinary office, veterinary hospital, zoological garden or park, licensed Millet business, abattoir, pound or Animal Shelter, educational institution or any property for which the Town has issued a development permit which allows the keeping of an animal on the property.
9. Notwithstanding Section 4, any person wishing to bring animals associated with farming, circuses, or exhibition into the Town shall make application in writing for approval to do so to the Enforcement Officer. The application shall contain the type and number of animals as well as the duration of the stay and the location. The application shall include written permission of the property owner where the animals

are to be kept. The application may also be required to obtain letters of "no objection" from adjacent property owners.

10. The Enforcement Officer may impose any conditions they feel necessary to ensure the peace and safety of others.
11. Section 4(a) shall not prevent the grazing of livestock on land which is approved by the CAO or Enforcement Officer.

RUNNING AT LARGE

12. No animal shall run at large within the corporate limits of the Town unless prior approval in the form of a special permit is granted by the CAO or Enforcement Officer.
13. During any period of which an animal is in heat, the owner shall keep it housed and confined the whole period of the heat.
14. If an animal is at large, the owner shall be guilty of an offense and subject to a fine under this bylaw, exclusive to any other civil actions and penalties.

NUISANCES

15. No animal shall be a nuisance. A nuisance shall include, but not be limited to:
 - a. biting, scratching, jumping on, or chasing a person;
 - b. barking, howling, meowing, chirping or otherwise disturbing any person
 - c. causing damage to property
 - d. defecating on property other than that of the owner.
 - e. biting, barking or chasing bicycles, automobiles, or other vehicles;
 - f. does any act that injures a person or persons whether on the property of the owner or not; biting, chasing or causing injury to other animals;
 - g. causing death to another animal.
 - h. Complainant must provide proof, including but not limited to audio and video.
16. If an animal is a nuisance, the owner shall be guilty of an offense and subject liable to a fine under this bylaw, exclusive to any other civil actions or penalties.
17. The CAO or Enforcement Officer may declare an animal to be a nuisance animal;
18. In declaring an animal to be a nuisance animal, the CAO or Enforcement Officer shall consider any sections of this bylaw that have been contravened by such animal, the number of contraventions of this bylaw by such animal, and the severity of same.
19. The CAO or Enforcement Officer may further take into consideration any of matter which in the opinion of the CAO or Enforcement Officer is relevant.

20. A declaration that an animal is a nuisance animal may be appealed in writing and with payment of any associated fees to the Town of Millet within fourteen (14) days of receiving notice.
21. The CAO or Enforcement Officer may apply such conditions to the owner and their nuisance animal as deemed appropriate to eliminate the nuisance.
22. The declaration of an animal as a nuisance animal shall be reviewed annually by the CAO or Enforcement Officer, and may be continued, with or without conditions, or revoked.
23. The owner of an animal shall comply with all conditions set out in a nuisance animal declaration made by the CAO or Enforcement Officer pursuant to this section.
24. Where an animal has caused damage or injury to property, animals or persons, the owner of the animal shall pay for all damages incurred to the person suffering such damages.
25. If an animal defecates on property other than the owner's property, the owner of the animal shall remove forthwith any defecated matter deposited.
26. No person(s) shall allow more than **two (2) dogs** to be sheltered, owned, kept or possessed at one civic address without written permission from the Town.
27. No person(s) shall allow more than **four (4) cats** to be sheltered, owned, kept or possessed at one civic address without written permission from the Town.
28. The animal limit may be adjusted under special circumstances; upon written approval by the CAO or Enforcement Officer when supporting documentation, including letters from adjacent property owners, is presented. animals must be licensed before request submitted to go over the limit.
29. A person may appeal an order under Section 21 to Council by submitting a written notice with the CAO within fourteen (14) days of receiving an order.
30. The Enforcement Officer may impound the animal(s) at the owner's expense, if the owner has not complied with the order within fourteen (14) days.
31. Residents in the Urban Fringe area may be eligible for a waiver on limit and licensing, at the discretion of the C.A.O. or designate.
32. When the C.A.O. or Enforcement Officer feels they have exhausted all efforts to resolve a dispute between 2 parties, they will advise the complainant that this file needs to move to a civil claim and bylaw will no longer be involved in the file.

CONTROLLED CONFINEMENT

33. A person who has received a serious wound or the owner of any an animal which has received a serious wound shall report the incident and injury immediately to the

Enforcement Officer. The officer will then inform AHS. The owner of an animal which has inflicted the serious wound shall promptly report the animal to an Enforcement Officer who may thereupon place the animal under controlled confinement, for up to 10 days, and the animal shall not be released from such controlled confinement except by written permission of a registered veterinarian.

34. At the discretion of the CAO or Enforcement Officer, such controlled confinement may be on the premises of the owner, a registered veterinarian within the Town or the animal shelter.
35. Upon demand made by the CAO or Enforcement Officer, the owner shall forthwith surrender for quarantine any animal which has inflicted a serious wound to any person or any animal which the Enforcement Officer has reasonable and probable grounds to suspect of having been exposed to rabies.
36. The animal may be reclaimed by the owner.
 - a. if adjudged free of rabies;
 - b. upon payment of confinement expenses from the shelter; and
 - c. upon compliance with the licensing provisions of this Bylaw.

REGISTRATION

37. The owner of a dog or cat over the age of six (6) months shall register such dog or cat with the Town and shall pay therefore a licensing fee set out in the Town fee bylaw in force at the time.
38. Notwithstanding Section 35:
 - a. where a person who is blind or whose vision is impaired is the owner of a dog trained and used as a guide dog, a police service dog, or assisted living dog there shall be no fee payable by the owner for registering the dog with the Town, when proof is provided.
 - b. the registration provisions of this bylaw shall not apply to a dog or cat accompanying a person temporarily to the Town on business or vacation for a period not exceeding fourteen (14) days. Longer periods as may be authorized by written permission from the CAO or designate.
 - c. the registration provisions of this bylaw shall not apply when dog or cat that are temporarily in the Town in the care of a town resident while the dog or cat owner is away on business, vacation or otherwise unable to care for their dog or cat for a limited period or if such dog or cat is already registered in the owner's municipal jurisdiction and displaying proof of such by its registration tag being attached to the collar or harness throughout the entire time period that the dog(s) is in the Town; but if such dog or cat is not registered in the owner's municipal jurisdiction, the dog or cat should be registered with the Town for a maximum period of up to three (3) months and a temporary license

shall be purchased from the Town for the sum determined by the Town fee bylaw in force at the time.

39. Owners with animals who are considered emotional support animals can apply to have a discounted license, with medical documentation, at the discretion of CAO or designate.
40. No person shall be entitled to a registration rebate under this Bylaw.
41. No registration shall be transferable from one animal to another or attached to any other animal, which has not been licensed with the town.
42. At all times when an animal is on any property other than that of its owner, the tag issued for such animal shall be attached to a collar or harness which must be worn by the animal.
43. The holder of a dog or cat license must be sixteen (16) years of age.
44. Pursuant to Section 35 the owner of a dog or cat shall:
 - a. register the dog or cat on the first day on which the town office is open for business after the owner became the owner of such dog or cat.
 - b. register the dog or cat notwithstanding that it is under the age of six (6) months where the dog or cat has been found running at large;
 - c. register the dog or cat which has been impounded pursuant to this bylaw before such dog or cat may be claimed from the animal shelter;
 - d. notify the Town when the dog or cat has died, been sold, or has moved from the corporate limits of the town.
43. Any owner of a dog, cat or any other animal must:
 - a. ensure that the animal has adequate food and water;
 - b. provide the animal with adequate care when the animal is wounded or ill;
 - c. provide the animal with reasonable protection from injurious heat or cold, and;
 - d. provide the animal with adequate shelter, ventilation and space.
44. If the above is not met; an Enforcement Officer may take an animal into custody and or control or otherwise relieved of distress if the Officer is of the opinion, on reasonable and probable grounds, that the owner or caretaker is not likely to provide for the animal, due to financial, physical or mental issues of the pet owner or caretaker. Whether or not it is in distress, but conditions that may comprise the animal's wellbeing; included being left more than 24 hours without adequate food, water or shelter, or being left behind by former tenants of a rental property.

45. Any of the above circumstances are adequately met or circumstances have changed the pet may be returned to the owner given that any fees or expenses are paid in full.
46. Where the fee required by this bylaw has been paid by the tender of an uncertified cheque, the registration:
- a. is issued subject to the cheque being accepted and cashed by the bank; and
 - b. is automatically revoked if the cheque is not accepted and cashed by the bank on which it is issued.
47. The Town Office shall keep a record of all dogs and cats registered pursuant to Section 35 of this bylaw. The record shall indicate.
- a. date of registration;
 - b. name, address and telephone number of the owner of the dog or cat;
 - c. the registration number and the amount paid,
 - d. the breed, color and sex of the dog or cat
48. If a license for a dog or cat becomes lost in any manner whatsoever, a new license shall be issued for such dog or cat, in the amount set out by the Town fee bylaw at that time.
49. Pursuant to Section 35 the Town shall,
- a. Provide any dog or cat owner an identification tag for the sum determined in the Town fee bylaw at that time.
 - b. Record and keep the number of the tag corresponding with the dog or cat owner's information;
 - c. Whenever possible, return any dog or cat apprehended to the owner;
 - d. Take the dog or cat to the appointed animal shelter whereby it will be held for three (3) days if the dog or cat cannot be returned to the owner;
 - e. Provide a cat identification tag to be valid for the life of the dog or cat but is not transferable to another dog or cat or to another owner.
 - f. Ensure all costs in relation to any apprehended cat are the sole responsibility of the dog or cat owner.
50. The owner of a dog or cat that has been apprehended must have all applicable fees and fines paid in full at the town office prior to picking up the dog or cat.

AUTHORITY TO AN ANIMAL SHELTER

51. An Enforcement Officer:
- a. may capture and impound any animal in respect of which he believes or has reasonable grounds to believe an offence under this bylaw is being or has been committed and is further authorized to take such reasonable measures as are necessary to subdue any animal which is at large;

- b. may enter onto any land in pursuit of any animal which has been running at large;
- c. may, in any case where the owner of a dog or cat can be identified through the Town's registration records, return such dog or cat to the owner where practicable instead of delivering it to the animal shelter;
- d. shall, if any animal other than a dog or cat is captured, make a reasonable attempt to return the animal to the owner where possible, instead of being delivered to the animal shelter.

ANIMAL SHELTER

52. It shall be the duty of the Council to establish an animal shelter for the impounding of animals captured pursuant to this bylaw, and Council are further authorized and empowered to make any and all such rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this bylaw as they consider necessary for the conduct of regulating such animal shelter.
53. It shall be the responsibility of the animal shelter keeper to examine all impounded animals for any identification including, but not limited to, tattoos and microchip ID.
54. It shall be the duty of the CAO to appoint an animal shelter keeper and other such persons as they deem necessary for the carrying out of the provisions of this bylaw as required for the keeping of the animal shelter.

OBSTRUCTION

55. No person, whether or not he is the owner of an animal which is being or has been pursued or captured, shall:
- a. interfere with or attempt to obstruct an Enforcement Officer who is attempting to capture an animal which is subject to being impounded pursuant to the provisions of this Bylaw;
 - b. induce the animals to enter a house or other place where it may be safe from capture or otherwise assist the animal to escape capture;
 - c. falsely represent himself as being in charge or control of an animal so as to establish that the animal is not running at large;
 - d. unlock or unlatch or otherwise open the Animal Shelter vehicle to allow or attempt to allow any animal to escape there from.
 - e. give false information to an enforcement officer, regarding licensing or nuisance of an animal.

PROHIBITED ACTS

56. No person shall:
- a. untie, loosen or otherwise free an animal which has been tied or otherwise restrained;
or

- b. negligently or willfully open a gate, door or other opening in a fence or enclosure in which an animal has been confined and thereby allow an animal to run at large within the Town.
- c. keep/rehome animals that are found within town limits without contacting enforcement.
- d. any person who leaves an animal unattended in or on a motor vehicle, without proper protection from the elements or in a manner that places the animal at risk of harm, is guilty of an offence.
- e. any person who fails to properly secure an animal, inside or on a motor vehicle while it is in motion or while it is parked to ensure that the animal is unable to fall out of or leave the motor vehicle, is guilty of an offence.
- f. No person shall tease, torment, annoy, abuse or injure any animal.

RECLAIMING

57. The owner of any:

- a. impounded dog may reclaim the dog from the animal shelter within three (3) Town of Millet business operation days from the time of the impoundment by paying to the Town all impoundment fees and board fees, as per town policy, and by paying any outstanding fines and registering the dog as required by this bylaw.
- b. impounded animal, other than a dog or cat, may reclaim the animal within three (3) Town of Millet business operation days from the time of the impoundment by paying to the Town any outstanding fines and all impoundment and board fees per Town policy.

SALE OR DESTRUCTION

- 58. the animal shelter keeper shall sell or destroy an animal after the animal is retained in the animal shelter for three (3) Town of Millet business operating days from the time of the impound, unless a person having authority orders the further retention or the destruction of the animal, or unless the owner of the animal makes arrangements with the animal shelter keeper for the further retention of the animal.
- 59. in any case, where an animal is found ill, in distress, or has been injured and it has been determined by a veterinarian or other designate that the animal should be destroyed to prevent needless suffering, the animal may be destroyed as soon as practical.
- 60. the purchaser of an impounded animal from the animal shelter pursuant to the provisions of this bylaw shall obtain full right and title of the owner of the animal shall cease thereupon.
- 61. the animal shelter keeper shall report any apparent illness, communicable disease, injury or unhealthy condition of any animal to an Enforcement Officer who may discuss the matter with a veterinarian. The owner, if known, shall be held responsible for all charges resulting there from.

MAINTENANCE OF RESIDENCES OR GROUNDS

62. Residences or grounds where any animals are kept, shall at all times be maintained and in compliance with the Town's current community standards bylaw.

DANGEROUS DOGS

63. The Owner of a dangerous dog shall take all necessary steps to ensure that it does not bite, chase or attack any human or other animal whether the person or animal is on the Owner Property or not.

64. If a dangerous dog bites or attacks a person or animal, the owner shall be guilty of an offense and subject liable to a fine under this bylaw, exclusive to any other civil actions or penalties.

65. The owner of a dangerous dog shall notify the Enforcement Officer if the animal is running at large.

66. The owner of a dangerous dog shall:

- a. notify the Enforcement Officer should the animal be sold, gifted, or transferred to another person or die; and
- b. remain liable for the actions of the animal until formal notification of the sale, gift or transfer is given to the Enforcement Officer.

67. When a dangerous dog is on the premises of its owner, it shall be kept confined indoors under the effective control of a person over the age of sixteen (16) years, or confined in a securely enclosed and locked pen, or other structure constructed and secured in such a fashion as to prevent the escape of the dog, and to prevent the entry of persons unauthorized by the owner.

68. Any such pen shall have a secure top and sides and either:

- a. Have a secure bottom effectively attached to the sides: or
- b. The sides shall be embedded in the ground to a minimum depth of thirty (30) centimeters.

69. When a dangerous dog is off the premises of the owner, it shall be securely muzzled, and shall be either harnessed or leashed securely to effectively prevent it from attacking or biting a human or other animal: provided that this requirement shall not apply when the dog is in a building or enclosure in attendance at a bona fide dog show, or

- a. confined in a pen meeting the requirements of Section 68.

70. The owner of a dog, which the owner knows or ought to know is a dangerous dog, shall keep the dangerous dog in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw.

71. If the animal shelter keeper or an Enforcement Officer determines on reasonable grounds that a dog is a dangerous dog, either through personal observation or on the basis of facts determined after an investigation initiated by a complaint, he may;

- a. require the owner to keep such dog in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw of this bylaw upon the owner's receipt of the notice; and

- b. inform the owner that if the dangerous dog is not kept in accordance with this bylaw, the owner will be fined, or subject to enforcement action pursuant to this bylaw.
- 72. Where the owner of a dog that has been determined to be a dangerous dog produces information to the Enforcement Officer that may alter a determination made under Section 71 the Enforcement Officer shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, cause the matter to be reviewed and make a final determination.
- 73. If a dangerous dog is impounded by the Town for any offense under this bylaw, an Enforcement Officer may order that the dog remain in the custody of the animal shelter until the completion of the court process.
- 74. The licensing fee for a restricted dog or dangerous dog shall be set out in the Town fee bylaw at the time.
- 75. The owner of a dangerous dog shall:
 - a. subject to the provisions of Section 35 obtain a license for such dangerous dog on the first day on which the town office is open for business after the animal has been declared as dangerous.
 - b. obtain a license on the first day on which the town office is open for business after he becomes the owner of the dangerous dog.

OFFENSES AND PENALTIES

- 76. Any person who contravenes the provisions of this bylaw or refuses to obey the direction of the Medical Officer or an Enforcement Officer given pursuant to this bylaw, is guilty of an offense and may be issued with a violation ticket by an Enforcement Officer in the amount specified in Schedules A, B and C which form part of this bylaw.
- 77. Each day of violation of any provision of this bylaw shall constitute a separate offense.
- 78. The levying and payment of any fines shall not relieve a person from the necessity of paying any fees, charges or costs from which he is liable under the provisions of this bylaw.
- 79. A Justice of the Peace or Provincial Court Judge, in addition to the penalties provided in this Bylaw, may if he considers the offense sufficiently serious, direct or order the owner of the animal to pay a fine in any amount he/she may deem appropriate. A Provincial Court Judge or Justice of the Peace may order such owner to pay compensation to anyone suffering a loss or injury as a result of a violation of any part of this bylaw. A Provincial Court Judge or Justice of the Peace may direct or order the owner of the animal to prevent such animal from doing mischief or causing the disturbance or a nuisance complained of or to have the animal removed from the Town or to have the animal destroyed. In the case of a dangerous dog order the owner is to maintain in force a liability insurance policy in a minimum amount of Five Hundred Thousand (\$500,000.00) Dollars for injuries caused by the owner's dangerous dog.

SEVERABILITY

80. Should any provision of this bylaw be invalid then such invalid provision shall be severed, and the remaining bylaw shall be maintained.

81. Bylaw 2023-14 is hereby rescinded.

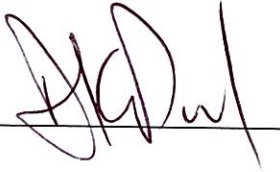
82. This bylaw shall come into effect on the date of signing.

READ a first time this 14th day of August, 2024

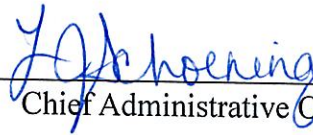
READ a second time this 11th day of September, 2024

READ a third and final time this 11th day of September, 2024

Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer



SCHEDULE "A"

VIOLATION AND PENALTIES

1. Where an Animal Control Officer or a Bylaw Enforcement Officer believes that a person has contravened any provisions of this Bylaw, he may serve upon such person a ticket as provided in this section, by;
 - a. either personally or by leaving a copy for him at his last or most usual place of abode with some person there present who is apparently at least Sixteen (16) years of age, or
 - b. by mailing a copy to the defendant by registered mail or certified mail to his last known post office address.
2. A notice or form commonly called a "Violation Ticket" having printed wording approved by the Council shall state the section of the Bylaw which was contravened and a voluntary penalty or in the case of a serious incident, at a Peace Officer's discretion, a compulsory appearance court date.
 - a. the sum of Ninety (\$90.00) Dollars in respect of a first offence;
 - b. the sum of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150.00) Dollars in respect of a second offence;
 - c. the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars in respect of a third and subsequent offence; unless the offences stipulated in Schedule "E" apply.
3. An offence shall not be deemed to have been repeated if the subsequent offences are committed after expiration period of six months.
4. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, a person to whom a ticket has been issued pursuant to this section may exercise his right to defend any charge of committing a contravention of any of the provisions of this Bylaw

SCHEDULE "B"

VIOLATION AND PENALTIES - DANGEROUS DOGS

Persons who commit offences under this bylaw are subject to the following fines:

1. Failure to obtain and keep in force a dog license \$500.00
2. Failure to confine a restricted dog or a dangerous dog when on the premises of the owner in accordance with this Bylaw \$500.00
3. Failure to muzzle or otherwise secure a restricted dog or a dangerous dog when off the premises of the owner \$500.00
4. If a restricted dog or dangerous dog bites or attacks a person or animal causing injury \$1,500.00
5. Permitting a restricted or dangerous dog to run at large \$500.00
6. Failure to advise enforcement officer of dangerous dog running at large \$500.00
7. Failure to advise an enforcement officer of selling, gifting or transferring ownership of a dangerous dog \$500.00
8. An owner who commits for a second time, any of the offences listed in this section, providing the offence is committed within 6 months of committing the first offence, is subject to double the initial penalty

SCHEDULE "C"

SPECIFIED PENALTIES

Section 4 – Restrictions - Prohibited Animals \$250.00

Sections 18 and 19 - Allow any animal to become a Nuisance

- First Offence \$300.00
- Second Offence \$500.00
- Third Offence \$1,000.00

Section 25 - Failure to immediately remove defecation from another's property \$150.00

Section 35 - Failure to obtain valid dog or cat license \$200.00

Section 43 - Failure to provide sufficient food/water/shelter/medical attention for animal \$500.00

Section 55(a)- Fail to obstruct or surrender animal to Enforcement Officer \$200.00

Section 55(e) - Obstruction of enforcement, giving false information \$500.00

Section 56 (a)(b) Release any animal from confined area, allowing to run loose \$100.00

Section 56(d) Person leaves Animal unattended in Motor Vehicle, placing animal at risk of harm. \$100

Section 56(e) Person fails to properly secure an Animal inside or on a Motor Vehicle while it is in motion or while it is parked to ensure that the Animal is unable to fall out of or leave the Motor Vehicle \$300.00

Section 56(f) Tease/torment/annoy/harm a dog or cat \$300.00