



RM OF MEADOW LAKE NO.588
 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
 SEPTEMBER 9th, 2024
 9:00 AM
 MINUTES

Present:

Reeve – Dale Sheppard

Councillors:

Div. 1 – Matthew Roger

Div. 4 – Garry Ratke

Div. 2 – Russ Jones

Div. 5 – Blair Mysko

Div. 3 – Ashley Russell

Div. 6 – Ernie Schwartz

Administrative Officer/CAO – Richard Levesque

Assistant Administrator – Tracy Mysko

Transportation Manager – Nick Zuck

Judy Schroeder

Reeve Dale Sheppard called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Agenda

175/24

MYSKO

That the Agenda be adopted as a guideline for the meeting.

Carried

Minutes

176/24

JONES

That the Minutes from the Regular Council Meeting dated August 12, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

Minutes

177/24

RATKE

That the Minutes from the Special Council Meeting dated August 20, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

Manager of Public Works Report

178/24

SCHWARTZ

That the Manager of Public Works report for the month of August 2024 be received.

Carried



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- 179/24 **CAO Report**
JONES
That the CAO report for the month of August 2024 be received. Carried
- 180/24 **Reports**
RUSSELL
That the Building Permit report and Receipts report for the month of August 2024 be received. Carried
- 181/24 **Reports**
JONES
That the Grader and Maintenance report for the month of August 2024 be received. Carried
- 182/24 **Meeting dates**
RATKE
That the next regular Council meetings be held on October 15, 2024, and November 4, 2024. Carried
- 183/24 **Subdivision application – Deborah Johnston**
JONES
That Council advise Community Planning Branch that it approves the subdivision proposal from Deborah Johnston to sever a 16.187-hectare (40acres) parcel from the SE31-58-17-W3. This approval is granted pursuant to Section 3.6.2.2(d) of the Official Community Plan as the subdivision is intended to accommodate the boundaries of the existing farmyard site and the property is poor agricultural land. In addition, any additional roadwork or culvert installation to provide access to the newly subdivided parcel or the remaining portion of the quarter section will be at the expense of the property owner and subject to RM approval. Carried



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- 184/24 **Fire Ban**
MYSKO
That the Fire Ban be left in place. Carried
- 185/24 **Municipal Funding Agreement**
ROGER
That the RM of Meadow Lake no. 588 approve and sign the new Canada Community-Building Fund agreement with the federal government that will be in effect from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2034. Carried
- 186/24 **Financial Statements**
RATKE
That the August 2024 Financial Statements be approved as presented. Carried
- 187/24 **Accounts Payable**
ROGER
That the August 2024 Accounts Payable listing with the total amount of \$1,289,270.48 and the August 2024 Payroll with the total amount of \$29,349.15 be approved for payment. Carried
- 188/24 **Nuisance Bylaw**
JONES
That Bylaw 08/24 a Nuisance Bylaw be introduced and read a first time. Carried
- 189/24 **Nuisance Bylaw**
MYSKO
That Bylaw 08/24 a Nuisance Bylaw be read a second time. Carried
- 190/24 **Nuisance Bylaw**
RATKE
That Bylaw 08/24 a Nuisance Bylaw be given three readings at this meeting. Carried
- Carried Unanimously



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- 191/24 **Nuisance Bylaw**
 RATKE
 That Bylaw 08/24 a Nuisance Bylaw be given third reading and adopted. Carried
- 192/24 MYSKO
 That council goes in camera to discuss issues concerning budget, planning and items covered by the privacy act at 9:59 am. Carried
- 193/24 RATKE
 That the in camera meeting end at 10:21am. Carried
- 194/24 **Ski Club Grant**
 RUSSELL
 That the RM of Meadow Lake pay a grant of \$1,168.00 to the St. Cyr Trails Club Bylaw to compensate for a grant application and payment that was not processed. Carried
- 195/24 **Vet Clinic**
 RATKE
 That the cost of drafting plans for the Vet Clinic expansion be added to the 2024 budget. Carried
- 196/24 **Adjournment**
 RATKE
 That the meeting be adjourned at 10:23 am. Carried



 CAO



 REEVE

RM of Meadow Lake #588
Statement of Financial Activities - Summary
For the Period Ending August 31, 2024

	Current	Year To Date	Budget
Revenues			
Taxation	(30,075.91)	5,225,480.38	5,208,500.00
Fees and Charges	1,724.18	89,534.02	113,681.00
Maintenance and Development Charges		11,042.27	55,000.00
Grants	223,101.70	1,046,939.56	961,012.00
Grants in Lieu of Taxes	1,449.99	9,472.03	81,073.00
Investment Income and Commissions	22,683.37	338,532.59	332,478.00
Total Revenues:	218,883.33	6,721,000.85	6,751,744.00
Expenditures			
General Government Services	46,748.15	532,703.46	957,641.00
Protective Services		313,132.76	348,861.00
Transportation Services	1,176,008.91	3,046,051.17	4,524,000.00
Environmental Health Services	24,357.48	113,489.55	104,000.00
Planning and Development Services	1,602.34	16,264.34	35,000.00
Recreation and Cultural Services	11,619.14	64,784.25	228,685.00
Total Expenditures:	1,260,336.02	4,086,425.53	6,198,187.00
Change in Net Financial Assets	(1,041,452.69)	2,634,575.32	553,557.00
Operating Surplus/Deficit (Chg in Net Asst)	(1,041,452.69)	2,634,575.32	553,557.00
Transfers			
Account Balances	Current	Year to Date	Balance
Cash & Investments			
Cash			
Cash - On Hand - Petty Cash.			200.00
Cash - Bank - Demand - CIBC	318,190.06	(298,876.97)	1,578,647.31
Cash - Savings Acct - CIBC	447.53	(3,258,257.85)	1,016,887.10
Cash - Bank - Business Save - CU		1,125,875.15	1,205,398.77
Cash - Bank - Membership - CU		2,126.32	5,303.52
CIBC High Interest Savings	22,193.14	5,059,106.39	5,059,106.39
GIC - Trans. Equip - Acct 9742 CU			160,000.00
GIC - Office - Acct 6966 CU		(116,616.25)	
GIC - Fire Protection Acct 9775 CU		(121,040.79)	
GIC - Road Mtce Agree Acct 3285 CU		(402,200.00)	
GIC - Municipal Reserve Acct 49809 CU			47,335.64
GIC SWHL - Acct 49791 CU			50,408.71
GIC RMA - Acct 756958 CU		(841,839.92)	
GIC Water Drainage - Acct 763277 CU		4,710.32	106,014.45
GIC SALE 97-5199374-0027CIBC			833,000.00
GIC SALE 97-5199374-0035CIBC			833,000.00
GIC RMA 97-5199374-0043CIBC			800,000.00
GIC Land Sale 97-5199374CIBC		(397,146.50)	
GIC-Fire Prot Acct 49825CU		(186,000.00)	
Municipal			
Municipal - Tax Receivable - Current	(2,077,645.99)	2,190,436.44	2,652,625.64
Change in General Surplus	(2,778,267.95)	5,394,851.66	14,386,784.53


Report Date
2024-09-03 1:41 PM

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Current Year To Date Budget

Certified correct and in accordance with the records Presented to council on

Sept 9, 2024



Richard Levesque
CAO



Dale Sheppard
Reeve



Rural Municipality of Meadow Lake #588 Policy

Policy #GG-020

Policy Title: Organized Hamlet Policy

Policy Objective:

This policy has been created because of recent changes in the legislation.

Authority:


Council Resolution # 030/24

Dated: February 13, 2024

Policy:

The organized Hamlet of South Waterhen shall submit an annual operating budget for the following year by November 30th of the preceding year to the RM of Meadow Lake.

An annual joint meeting may be held with a thirty-day notice given by the RM of Meadow Lake.


Reeve



RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MEADOW LAKE No. 588

BYLAW NO. 08/24

A BYLAW of the RM of Meadow Lake #588, Meadow Lake in the Province of Saskatchewan, to provide for the abatement of nuisances with the RM of Meadow Lake #588.

THE COUNCIL FOR THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MEADOW LAKE #588, MEADOW LAKE, IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited as The Nuisance Abatement Bylaw.

Purpose

2. The purpose of this Bylaw is to provide for the abatement of nuisances, including property, activities or things that adversely affect:
 - a. The safety, health or welfare of people in the neighborhood;
 - b. A person's use and enjoyment of their property; or
 - c. The amenity of a neighborhood.

Definitions

3. In this Bylaw:
 - a. "building" means a building within the meaning of *The Municipalities Act*;
 - b. "Municipality" means the RM of Meadow Lake #588;
 - c. "Council" means the Council of the RM of Meadow Lake #588;
 - d. "Designated Officer" means an employee or agent of the Municipality appointed by Council to act as the municipal inspector for the purposes of this Bylaw;

- e. "Junked vehicle" means any automobile, tractor, truck, trailer or other vehicle that:
 - i. either:
 - A. has no valid license plates attached to it; or
 - B. is in a rusted, wrecked, partly wrecked, dismantled, partly dismantled, inoperative or abandoned condition; and
 - ii. is located on private land, but that:
 - A. is not within a structure erected in accordance with any Bylaw respecting the erection of buildings and structures in force within the Municipality; and
 - B. does not form a part of a business enterprise lawfully being operated on that land;
- f. "nuisance" means a condition of property, or a thing, or an activity, that adversely affects or may adversely affect:
 - i. the safety, health or welfare of people in the neighborhood;
 - ii. a person's use and enjoyment of their property; or
 - iii. the amenity of neighborhood,
and includes:
 - A. a building in a ruinous or dilapidated state of repair;
 - B. an unoccupied building that is damaged and is an imminent danger to public safety;
 - C. land that is overgrown with grass and weeds;
 - D. untidy and unsightly property;
 - E. junked vehicles; and
 - F. open excavations on property;
- g. "occupant" means an occupant as defined in *The Municipalities Act*;
- h. "owner" means an owner as defined in *The Municipalities Act*;
- i. "property" means land or buildings or both;

- j. "structure" means anything erected or constructed, the use of which requires temporary or permanent location on, or support of, the soil, or attached to something having permanent location on the ground or soil; but not including pavements, curbs, walks or open-air surfaced areas.

Responsibility

- 4. Unless otherwise specified, the owner of a property, including land, buildings and structures, shall be responsible for carrying out the provisions of this Bylaw.

Nuisances Prohibited Generally

- 5. No person shall cause or permit a nuisance to occur on any property owned by that person.

Dilapidated Buildings

- 6. Notwithstanding the generality of Section 5, no person shall cause or permit a building or structure to deteriorate into a ruinous or dilapidated state such that the building or structure:
 - a. is dangerous to the public health or safety;
 - b. substantially depreciates the value of other land or improvements in the neighborhood; or
 - c. is substantially detrimental to the amenities of the neighborhood.

Unoccupied Buildings

- 7. Notwithstanding the generality of Section 5, no person shall cause or permit an unoccupied building to become damaged or to deteriorate into a state of disrepair such that the building is an imminent danger to public health or safety.

Overgrown Grass and Weeds

- 8. Notwithstanding the generality of Section 5, no owner or occupant of land shall cause or permit the land to be overgrown with grass or weeds.
- 9. For the purposes of this section, "overgrown" means in excess of 0.20 metres in height.
- 10. This section shall not apply to any growth which forms part of a natural garden that has been deliberately planted to produce ground cover, including one or more species of wildflowers, shrubs, perennials, grasses or combinations of them,

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whether native or non-native, consistent with a managed and natural landscape other than regularly mown grass.

Untidy and Unsightly Property

11. Notwithstanding the generality of Section 5, no person shall cause or permit any land or buildings to become untidy and unsightly due to graffiti or the accumulation of new or used lumber, cardboard, paper, newspapers, appliances, tires, cans, barrels, scrap metal, building materials, other waste materials or junk.

Junked Vehicles

12. Notwithstanding the generality of Section 5, no person shall cause or permit any junked vehicle to be kept on any land owned by that person.

Open Excavations

13. Notwithstanding the generality of Section 5, no person shall cause or permit any basement, excavation, drain, ditch, watercourse, pond, surface water, swimming pool or other structure to exist in or on any private land or in or about any building or structure which is dangerous to the public safety or health.

Maintenance of Yards

14. Notwithstanding the generality of Section 5, no person shall cause or permit on any property owned by that person:
 - a. Any infestation of rodents, vermin or insects;
 - b. Any dead or hazardous trees, or
 - c. Any sharp or dangerous objects.

Outdoor Storage of Materials

15. Any building materials, lumber, scrap metal, boxes or similar items stored in a yard shall be neatly stacked in piles and elevated off the ground so as not to constitute a nuisance or harborage for rodents, vermin and insects.
16. Materials referred to in Section 15 shall be elevated at least 0.15 metres off the ground and shall be stacked at least 3.0 metres from the exterior walls of any building and at least 1.0 metre from the property line.

Refrigerators and Freezers

17. Any refrigerator or freezer left in a yard shall first have its hinges, latches, lid, door or doors removed.

Fences

18. Fences shall be maintained in a safe and reasonable state of repair and free from graffiti.

Dogs at Large

19. No dog shall run at large in the Municipality, and for the purposes of this Bylaw, a dog shall be deemed to be running at large when it is beyond the boundaries of the land occupied by the owner, possessor or harbourer of the dog, or beyond the boundaries of any lands where it may be with the permission of the owner or occupant of the said land and when it is not under control by being:
 - a. In direct and continuous charge of a person competent to control it;
 - b. Securely confined within an enclosure; or
 - c. Securely fastened so that it cannot roam at will.
20. A person who owns, possesses or harbours a dog running at large shall be deemed guilty of a contravention of this Bylaw.

Enforcement of Bylaw

21. The administration and enforcement of this Bylaw is hereby delegated to the Administrator for the RM of Meadow Lake #588.
22. The Administrator of the RM of Meadow Lake #588 is hereby authorized to further delegate the administration and enforcement of the Bylaw to a designate of the Administrator's choice.

Inspections

23. The inspection of property by the Municipality to determine if this Bylaw is being complied with is hereby authorized.
24. Inspections under this Bylaw shall be carried out in accordance with Section 362 of *The Municipalities Act*.

25. No person shall obstruct a Designated Officer who is authorized to conduct an inspection under this section, or a person who is assisting a Designated Officer.

Order to Remedy Contraventions

26. If a Designated Officer finds that a person is contravening this Bylaw, the Designated Officer may, by written order, require that the owner or occupant of the property to which the contravention relates to remedy the contravention.
27. Orders given under this Bylaw shall comply with Section 364 of *The Municipalities Act*.
28. Orders given under this Bylaw shall be served in accordance with Section 390 of *The Municipalities Act*.

Registration of Notice of Order

29. If an order is issued pursuant to Section 24, the Municipality may, in accordance with Section 364 of *The Municipalities Act*, give notice of the existence of the order by registering an interest against the title to the land that is the subject of the order.

Appeal of Order to Remedy

30. A person may appeal an order made pursuant to Section 24 in accordance with Section 365 of *The Municipalities Act*.

Municipality Remediating Contraventions

31. The Municipality may, in accordance with Section 366 of *The Municipalities Act*, take whatever actions or measures are necessary to remedy a contravention of this Bylaw.
32. In an emergency, the Municipality may take whatever actions or measures are necessary to eliminate the emergency in accordance with the provisions of Section 367 of *The Municipalities Act*.

Civil Action to Recover Costs

33. The Municipality may, in accordance with Section 368 of *The Municipalities Act*, collect any unpaid expenses and costs incurred in remediating a contravention of this Bylaw by civil action for debt in a court of competent jurisdiction.

Adding Amounts to Tax Roll

34. The Municipality may, in accordance with Section 369 of *The Municipalities Act*, add any unpaid expenses and costs incurred by the Municipality in remedying a contravention of this Bylaw to the taxes on property on which the work was done.

Offences and Penalties

35. No person shall:
- a. fail to comply with an order made pursuant to this Bylaw;
 - b. obstruct or interfere with any Designated Officer or any other person acting under the authority of this Bylaw; or
 - c. fail to comply with any other provision of this Bylaw.
36. Every person who contravenes any provision of Section 33 is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction:
- a. in the case of an individual, to a fine of not more than \$10,000;
 - b. in the case of a corporation, to a fine of not more than \$25,000; and
 - c. in the case of a continuing offence, to a maximum daily fine of not more than \$2,500 per day.
37. In the event of non-payment of a fine imposed pursuant to Subsection 34(a), the individual convicted may be imprisoned for a term of not more than one year, unless the fine is paid sooner.

Minimum Penalty

38. Notwithstanding Section 34, a Designated Officer who has reason to believe that a person has contravened any provision of this Bylaw may, as an alternative to proceeding by way of summary conviction, issue and serve on that person a Notice of Violation, which Notice of Violation shall indicate that the Municipality will accept voluntary payment in the sum of the amount listed below to be paid to the Municipality within 30 days of the date of the Notice of Violation:
- a. for a first contravention, \$250.00;
 - b. for a second contravention, \$500.00; and
 - c. for a third or subsequent contravention, \$750.00.

39. The fine set forth in Section 36 may be paid:
- a. in person, during regular office hours, to the Municipality; or
 - b. by mail addressed to the Rural Municipality of Meadow Lake No. 588, Box 668, Meadow Lake, SK S9X 1T5.
40. Where the Municipality receives voluntary payment of the amount prescribed under Section 36 within the time specified, the person receiving the Notice of Violation shall not be liable to prosecution for the alleged contravention.
41. Payment of any Notice of Violation does not exempt the person from enforcement of an order pursuant to Section 24 of this Bylaw.

Repeal

42. Bylaw No. 7/05 is hereby repealed and replaced with this Bylaw 08-24.

Coming into Force

43. This Bylaw shall come into force on the day of its final passing.





REEVE



ADMINISTRATOR

Read a first time this 9th day of September, 2024
Read a second time this 9th day of September, 2024
Read a third time and passed this 9th day of September, 2024