

BYLAW 01-25

THE PURPOSE OF THIS BYLAW IS TO ESTABLISH THE POSITION OF A BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AND TO ESTABLISH A BYLAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, under the authority of Sections 555, 556, and 557 of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Summer Village of Bondiss, in the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. Definitions

- a) "Bylaw Enforcement Officer" means a person appointed by Council pursuant to the Municipal Government Act.
- b) "Committee" means the Bylaw Enforcement Committee established under this Bylaw.
- c) "Appeal" means the right to contest a disciplinary action or termination decision before Council or an independent arbitrator.

2. Bylaw Enforcement Officer Powers and Duties

- a) Must take the official oath prescribed by the Oaths of Office Act upon appointment and carry evidence of appointment at all times.
- b) Enforce the bylaws as authorized by Council within the boundaries of the municipality.
- c) Follow the directions of the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and report to the CAO, or if the CAO is the Bylaw Enforcement Officer, report directly to Council.
- d) Assist in the prosecution of bylaw contraventions, including court appearances.
- e) Perform other duties as assigned by the CAO or Council.
- f) Take necessary action to eliminate public safety hazards or deal with unsightly property conditions.
- g) Conduct patrols and issue notices, tickets, or tags as required.

3. Bylaw Enforcement Committee

- a) The Committee shall be composed of one member of Council, one resident, and one independent member with experience in law enforcement, legal, or municipal governance.
- b) The Committee's role is to investigate allegations of misconduct by the Bylaw Enforcement Officer.

- c) The Committee must provide the Officer with at least 14 days' written notice before a disciplinary hearing, including details of the alleged misconduct.
- d) The Officer shall have the right to respond in writing or in person, present evidence, and call witnesses.

4. Disciplinary Actions and Appeals

- a) The Committee may:
 - i) Dismiss the complaint;
 - ii) Issue a written reprimand;
 - iii) Suspend the Officer for a period not exceeding six (6) months;
 - iv) Terminate the Officer's appointment; or
 - v) Take any other action deemed appropriate.
- b) The Officer has the right to appeal a disciplinary action or termination decision within 30 days to:
 - i) Council, or
 - ii) An independent arbitrator appointed by Council.
- c) The appeal process must allow the Officer to present evidence, call witnesses, and receive a fair hearing.
- d) The decision of Council or the arbitrator shall be final and binding.

5. General Conduct Standards

- a) The Officer shall maintain professional conduct, avoid conflicts of interest, and not disclose confidential information without authorization.
- b) The Officer shall not engage in corrupt practices, insubordination, deceit, or breach of confidence.

6. Repeal of Previous Bylaw

a) This Bylaw repeals Bylaw 03-24 in its entirety.

7. Enactment This Bylaw comes into force upon the date of final passing.

Read a first time this 18th day of March, 2025. Read a second time this 18th day of March, 2025. Consent to proceed to third reading this 18th day of March, 2025.

Read a third time and finally passed this 18th day of March, 2025.

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Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer