

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF GRANDVIEW  
BYLAW #258**

**A BYLAW OF THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF GRANDVIEW IN THE PROVINCE OF  
ALBERTA FOR REGULATING RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL SEWAGE  
FACILITIES**

**WASTEWATER BYLAW**

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act, 2000, c.M-26 as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time and amendments thereto provides that a council of a municipality may pass bylaws for the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property and to regulate activities and things in, on or near a public place or place that is open to the public;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act 2000, c.M-26 as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time, permits the Council, by by-law, to control or prohibit development and to respond to present and future issues;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act 2000, c.M-26 as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time permits the summer village to impose fines for bylaw offences;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Summer Village of Grandview deems it advisable to adopt such a bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Summer Village of Grandview in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1.0 Name of Bylaw

1.1 This Bylaw shall be known as "The Wastewater Bylaw".

2.0 Definitions: In this bylaw,

2.1 'Summer Village' means the Summer Village of Grandview

2.2 'Sewage' means (a) human excreta, or (b) the water-carried wastes from drinking, bathing, laundering or food processing and includes grey water and black water

2.3 'Black water' means wastewater from a toilet or outhouse

2.4 'Grey water' means all other wastewater except black water and water from hot tubs, swimming pools and similar structures.

- 2.5 'Sewage field' means a sewage facility that permits waste water to flow from a tank into pipes distributing the water into the ground
- 2.6 'Holding tank' means a single-compartment sewage facility, buried underground, that permits no sewage to escape into the ground
- 2.7 'Septic tank' means a multi-compartment sewage facility, buried underground, that permits no waste water to escape into the ground
- 2.8 'Alternative sewage systems' means CSA-approved technologies for handling human excreta sewage (e.g. composting toilets, electric incinerating toilets, etc.)
- 3.0 General
- 3.1 This bylaw is applicable to parcels of land within the Summer Village that are producers of sewage.
- 3.2 Arrangements for the disposal of sewage shall meet the standards of the Regional Health Authority, Regulations pursuant to the Safety Codes Act, and Municipal legislation.
- 3.3 Any new developments require that black water and grey water produced on the parcel be contained or delivered to an on-site holding tank, septic tank or alternative sewage system. The minimum capacity for a holding tank or septic tank shall be 6,700 litres (1,500 gallons) unless a waiver regarding the minimum has been approved by the Summer Village's Development Authority Officer.
- 3.4 The owner of any parcel from which sewage is produced at the date of this Bylaw, shall by June 30, 2009, obtain all necessary approvals to install a holding tank or septic tank, and complete the installation by December 31, 2009, unless the owner can provide to the municipality evidence of the existence of a functional holding tank system, septic tank, septic field, or alternative sewage system that is CSA approved and in compliance with the *Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice 1999 and/or Handbook* or any amended or subsequent version, to the satisfaction of the Summer Village's Development Authority Officer.
- 3.5 All existing sewage fields must meet minimum provincial standards as indicated in the most current version of the *Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice*. Ratepayers with sewage fields must obtain and pay for an annual inspection from an appropriate, certified Alberta Safety Codes Officer. A report of the field inspection shall be immediately forwarded to the Summer Villages Office. If the field fails the inspection, the

field must immediately be decommissioned and replaced with a holding tank at the owner's expense.

3.6 All outhouses and sewage fields in existence at the date of this bylaw and which are not in compliance with the requirements of this bylaw shall be decommissioned no later than December 31, 2009.

3.7 Upon receiving written or verbal notice of a sewage facility that is in need of repair, the summer village will notify the property owner(s) within 10 days. The property owner(s) will have 90 days to repair their sewage facilities upon receiving notice that repairs or modifications are needed.

3.8 Any property owner who fails to upgrade the sewage facility as ordered by the Summer Village within the specified time frame is guilty of an offence and upon conviction will be subjected to a fine and the Summer Village may contract to have the sewage facility upgraded to a holding tank or septic tank and the contaminated soil removed and replaced, with all costs charged to the property owner.

#### 4.0 Offences & Penalties:

4.1 Breach of this bylaw is an offence;

4.2 The owner of a lot who:

4.2.1 fails to upgrade their sewage facility as required by this bylaw; or

4.2.2 fails to upgrade their sewage facility as a condition of the issue of a compliance certificate;

is subject to a fine of:

4.2.3 \$2,000.00 for the first offence;

4.2.4 \$5,000.00 for the second and any subsequent offence.

4.3 Any person who contravenes the provisions of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable for the penalty set out above, or if no penalty is specified above for the particular offence, for the penalty in accordance with section 4.10 of this bylaw.

#### 5.0 Effective Date:

5.1 This Bylaw comes into effect on the date of the third reading.

6.0 Repeal:


6.1 Bylaw #248, the Wastewater Bylaw, is hereby rescinded.

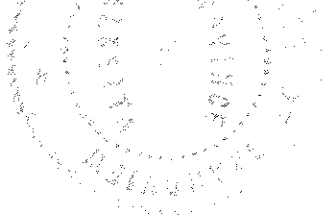
Read a first time this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2009.

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Given unanimous consent to proceed to third reading this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2009.

Read a third time and finally passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2009.

  
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Leslie Ellis, Mayor  
Summer Village of Grandview



  
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Sylvia Roy, CAO  
Summer Village of Grandview