VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD BYLAW NO. 2022-002

BEING A BYLAW OF VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, FOR THE PURPOSE TO SPECIFY DUTIES AND POWERS OF BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

WHEREAS Section 7 of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, provides that a Council may pass a bylaw for the enforcement of bylaws. Appointment of designated Officers (Bylaw Enforcement Officers) is approved in Section 210(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26.

AND WHEREAS Section 555 of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, a person who is appointed as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer is, in the execution of those duties, responsible for the preservation and maintenance of the public peace.

AND WHEREAS Section 556 of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, provides that if a Council does appoint Bylaw Enforcement Officers, the Council shall establish a Bylaw specifying the powers, duties, and disciplinary procedures, including penalties and appeal procedures, for such Officers.

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

1. Title

This Bylaw may be cited as the "Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw."

2. Definitions

- 2.1 "Bylaw" means Bylaws of the Municipality.
- 2.2 "Bylaw Enforcement Officer" means a person appointed as such by Village of Rockyford.
- 2.3 "Council" means Council of Village of Rockyford.
- 2.4 "Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)" means a person appointed by Council pursuant to Section 205 of the Municipal Government Act.
- 2.5 "Municipality" means the jurisdiction of Village of Rockyford.

3. Duties of the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

- 3.1 The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) may:
 - a) appoint individuals as Bylaw Enforcement Officers in accordance with this Bylaw;
 - b) revoke, suspend, or modify the appointment of Bylaw Enforcement Officers in accordance with this Bylaw;
 - c) monitor and investigate complaints against Bylaw Enforcement Officers;
 - d) authorize, or require Bylaw Enforcement Officers to carry out, any powers, duties, or functions necessary to fulfill their responsibility for the preservation and maintenance of public peace.

4. Powers and Duties of the Bylaw Enforcement Officer

- 4.1 At all times, Bylaw Enforcement Officers shall:
 - a) enforce the Bylaws which Council has authorized the Bylaw Enforcement Officer to enforce, within the boundary and jurisdiction of Village of Rockyford.
 - b) follow the directions of the CAO, and report to the CAO, as required;
 - c) respond to, and investigate, complaints of Bylaw violations;
 - d) conduct routine patrols within the Municipality;
 - e) issue notices, Bylaw tags, or tickets;

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- f) assist in the prosecution of Bylaw contraventions including appearances in court to provide evidence;
- g) perform all other duties as deemed necessary from time to time, as assigned by the CAO, and:
- h) take the official oath prescribed by the Oaths of Office Act upon being appointed as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer.

5. Complaints

Any complaint concerning a Bylaw Enforcement Officer shall be referred to the CAO of Wheatland County for investigation according to their policies and/or Bylaws.

6. Disciplinary Actions

6.1 If a complaint against a Bylaw Enforcement Officer is deemed to have merit following an investigation, the Bylaw Enforcement Officer may be suspended or terminated according to Wheatland County policies.

7. Appeal

7.1 If the complainant or the Bylaw Enforcement Officer wish to appeal the decision of the CAO of Wheatland County, the appeal shall be delivered to the CAO of Wheatland County within thirty (30) days of the receipt of notice of the results of the investigation.

8. Severability

8.1 If any portion of this bylaw is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the invalid portion must be severed, and the remainder of the bylaw is deemed valid.

9. Repeal

9.1 Bylaw 2022-001 is hereby repealed upon third and final reading of Bylaw 2022-002.

10. Effective Date

10.1 This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon the date of third and final reading.

Read a first time this <u>GH</u> day of <u>February</u>, 2022

Received permission to proceed to third and final reading this <u>GH</u> day of <u>February</u>, 2022.

Read a third time this <u>GH</u> day of <u>February</u>, 2022.

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