

BYLAW 3/2014

A BYLAW TO LICENSE AND TO REGULATE THE RUNNING AT LARGE OF DOGS AND CATS

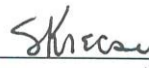
The Council of the Village of Windthorst, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

1. For the purpose of this bylaw the expression
 - (a) “dog” shall mean any carnivorous quadruped of the genus *Canis*, either male or female
 - (b) “cat” shall mean any carnivorous quadruped of the genus *Felix domesticus*
 - (c) “administrator” shall mean the administrator of the municipality
 - (d) “municipality” shall mean the Village of Windthorst
 - (e) “running at large” shall mean when the dog or cat is beyond the boundaries of the land occupied by the owner, possessor, or harbourer of the said dog or cat, 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:
 - (i) in the direct and continuous charge of a person competent to control it; or
 - (ii) securely confined within an enclosure; or
 - (iii) securely fastened so that it cannot roam at will.
2.
 - (a) Every person within the municipality who owns, possesses, or harbours a dog or cat over six (6) months old shall obtain a license from the Administrator.
 - (b) The license shall be in effect from January 1 to December 31 of a calendar year, and shall be obtained on or before February 1, within 14 days of taking possession of the dog or cat, or within 14 days of the dog or cat reaching the age of six (6) months.
 - (c) The license fee shall be:
 - (i) for each non-sterilized dog or cat: \$ 30.00
 - (ii) for each sterilized dog or cat: \$ 15.00
3. Every person to whom a license has been issued under this bylaw shall cause his dog or cat to wear a collar to which shall be attached the license tag issued by the municipality pursuant to this Bylaw.
4. A person residing in the municipality who owns, possesses, or harbours a dog or cat, and neglects or refuses to take out a license therefore shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this Bylaw. A warning shall be issued by the municipality and the owner, possessor or harbourer of the dog or cat shall have seven (7) days to purchase a license or be subject to the penalties set out in section 12 of this bylaw.
5. No dog or cat shall run at large in the municipality.
6. A person who owns, possesses, or harbours a dog or cat found running at large shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this Bylaw and be liable to a fine of \$100.00 per offence to be payable within seven (7) days of its issuance.

7. Any person may take any dog or cat found running at large contrary to the provisions of this Bylaw to the municipal pound, where it shall be kept for three days unless the owner, possessor, or harbourer redeems the dog by paying the Administrator the sum of \$100.00 for each dog or cat impounded, the license fee and penalty if the dog or cat is unlicensed and the sum of \$25.00 per day for the care and keep of each dog or cat. If licensed, the owner shall be notified of the impoundment within 24 hours.
8. (a) The Administrator may sell any dog or cat which is not redeemed within 3 days, for a sum of not less than the amount required to redeem the dog or cat under Section 7, provided that the purchaser thereof obtains a licence if the purchaser is a resident of the municipality.
(b) The Administrator or any other person designated by the Administrator may destroy any dog or cat which has not been redeemed within 3 days.
9. No person shall own, possess or harbour more than three dogs and/or cats in total in the Village. Any person who owns, possesses, or harbours more than three dogs or cats in total in the Village is guilty of an offence under this Bylaw.
10. If a dog or cat defecates on any public or private property other than the property of its owner, the owner or keeper shall cause such defecation to be removed immediately.
11. Any person who tampers in any way with an apparatus belonging to the Village for the purpose of apprehending dogs or cats or any person who shall break open or assist in breaking open any pound in which a dog or cat may be impounded or any person who hinders or obstructs any person in the performance of his duties hereunder shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable of a fine of not less than \$50.00 and not more than \$500.00.
12. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of Section 4, Section 9 or Section 10 of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a penalty of:
 - (i) Section 4 - \$ 60.00
 - (ii) Section 9 - \$ 50.00
 - (iii) Section 10 - \$25.00 per occurrence
13. A violator of this Bylaw, upon being served with a Notice of Violation, may, within seven (7) days voluntarily pay the penalty at the Municipal Office, and upon payment as so provided, that person shall not be liable to prosecution of the offence.
14. A violator of this Bylaw, who does not voluntarily pay the penalty provided under Section 6 and Section 12, shall be liable to prosecution and upon summary conviction, shall be liable to a maximum penalty as set out in the General Penalty Bylaw of the Village of Windthorst.
15. The Notice of Violation shall be in Form "1", attached to and forming part of this Bylaw.
16. This Bylaw shall come into force and effect on July 15, 2014.
17. Bylaw 4/2002 is hereby repealed on the date this bylaw comes into force and effect.



Mayor



Administrator

*Certified a true copy of Bylaw 3/2014
adopted by resolution of council
on July 8/2014*
*Skreasy
Administrator*