

BYLAW NO. 06-023

BEING A BYLAW OF LAKELAND COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ORDERLY NUMBERING OF BUILDINGS AND UNITS AND SUB-UNITS WITHIN BUILDINGS PLACED THEREON IN LAKELAND COUNTY (RURAL ADDRESSING SYSTEM BYLAW).

WHEREAS, Council may, pursuant to Section Seven (7) of the Municipal Government Act Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, pass a bylaw respecting the safety, health and welfare of people and protection of people and property; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed desirable to put into effect a rural address system which can be utilized by emergency service providers; and

WHEREAS, a rural address system may be utilized for other purposes such as providing directions or being used by Canada Post; and

WHEREAS, a rural addressing system operates very well with the Enhanced 911 system

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of Lakeland County, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1. In this Bylaw:
 - (a) "Council" means the Municipal Council of Lakeland County;
 - (b) "Peace Officer" means a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, a Special Constable or Bylaw Officer employed by Lakeland County or any other sworn Police Officer in the Province of Alberta;
 - (c) "Special Constable" means a person appointed under the authority of the Police Act R.S.A. 2000, Chapter P-17 or as amended from time to time;
 - (d) "Municipal Address Sign" means:
 - (i) except in urban areas, a clearly visible panel containing the proper number of the parcel of land accompanied by the proper road name or number which complies with the following specifications; numbers and letters are not to be less than four (4) inches in height, light reflective, white in color, mounted on a light reflective green panel, and the sign is to be posted six (6) feet (1.8 meters) to the left of the access/entrance of the parcel of land, and one (1) foot (0.3 meters) inside the property line and a minimum of four (4) feet (1.22 meters) above the natural ground level so as to be clearly visible from the road;

- (ii) in urban areas, the proper number for the parcel of land such numbers being not less than four (4) inches in height.
- (e) “Development Officer” means the person appointed as a Development Officer pursuant to Lakeland County’s Land Use Bylaw and amendments thereto;
- (f) “Dwelling group” means a group of two or more detached single family dwellings, semi-detached dwellings, duplex dwellings, apartment houses, terraced or row dwellings occupying the same site, which are commonly owned and have a yard or court in common, but does not include a motel;
- (g) “Road” means any thoroughfare, street, avenue, parkway, driveway or square, whether publicly or privately owned, any part of which the public is ordinarily entitled to or permitted to use for the passage of parking of vehicles, but does not include a lane, and as defined under the Traffic Safety Act;
- (h) “Internal number system” means a system of assigning numbers as part of an address to identify the location of units and sub-units within, developments or dwelling groups;
- (i) “Mobile unit” means
 - (i) a vacation trailer or house trailer or re-locatable trailer, or
 - (ii) a structure whether ordinarily equipped with wheels or not, that is constructed or manufactured to be moved from one point to another by being towed or carried and to provide living accommodation for or other use by one or more persons;
- (j) “Owner” means
 - (i) in case of land, any person who is registered under the Land Titles Act, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter L-4, as amended, as the owner of land, or
 - (ii) in the case of property other than land, any person who is in lawful possession thereof;
- (k) “Parcel of land” means
 - (i) any un-subdivided block or any lot, or any part of such a block or lot, in any area of land of which a plan or subdivision is registered in a land titles office,

- (ii) in the case where a building affixed to the land that would without special mention be transferred by a transfer of land has been erected on two (2) or more lots or parts thereof, all those lots,
 - (iii) if there is no such plan of subdivision a quarter (1/4) section of land according to the system or surveys under the Surveys Act, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter S-26, as amended, or any other area the description of which has been approved by the property land titles office, or
 - (iv) all the land forming part of a railway, irrigation or drainage right of way;
- (l) “Proper number in rural areas” means
- (i) for each parcel of land, in a rural residential subdivision, the assigned address number and the assigned access number and access frontage road name or number; or
 - (ii) where the property is accessed directly from a township road or range road or named road, the assigned address number and frontage road name or number for the parcel of land;
- (m) “Proper number in urban areas” means
- (i) where street numbers or road name or number is posted at the street or road intersections, the assigned address number; or
 - (ii) where street numbers or road name or number are not posted at the street or road intersections, the assigned address number and the frontage street, road name or number;
- (n) “Structure” means a house , building or mobile unit that may be built or placed on land;
- (o) “Violation Ticket” means a ticket issued pursuant to Part 2 of the Provincial Offences and Procedures Act, R.S.A. 2000 Chapter P-34;
- (p) “Urban Area” means the area within a hamlet;

2. All parcels of land in Lakeland County fronting upon a road, which are occupied by a structure, shall be assigned an address by Lakeland County, such address being the applicable proper number.
3. Parcels of land in Lakeland County that may be assigned an address by the County, shall be assigned an address corresponding to the road upon which the structure's main entrance fronts or will front, or to the location of the main access to the parcel of land.
4. Every person who obtains a development permit from the Development Officer to permit the construction of a commercial, residential or industrial structure shall be responsible for the erection of the Municipal Address Sign within three (3) months of the occupancy of a development in accordance with this bylaw.
5. Every person who before the passing of this bylaw is the owner of a parcel of land to which a structure is affixed shall be required to comply with the addressing requirements for this bylaw within twelve (12) months after the passage of this bylaw.
6. Every person who obtains a development permit from the Development Officer to permit the construction of commercial, residential, industrial developments, or multi-units residential development, or for the moving in of mobile units, where more than one structure is involved and a shared access is utilized, shall be assigned an internal numbering system that complies with this bylaw and shall be responsible for the construction, erection and maintenance of Municipal Address signs at all intersections on the shared approach indicating the location of units therein, to a standard acceptable to Lakeland County.
7. Where an internal numbering system is required as part of an address under this bylaw, the owner shall assign internal numbering consistent with this bylaw in a manner acceptable to Lakeland County. The owner shall affix the internal number in accordance with Section 9 of this bylaw.
8. In assigning internal numbers the owner shall adhere to the following schedule to the extent it is applicable:
 - (a) basement units – numbered B1 to B99
 - (b) first floor units – numbered 100 to 199
 - (c) succeeding floor units – numbered in accordance with 8 (b) herein, except that the first number or numbers for each unit will be the respective floor number.
 - (d) internal numbers shall be assigned in a clockwise manner commencing from the main entrance to the structure or respective floor.

9. The proper number in urban areas assigned pursuant to this bylaw, shall be affixed in a conspicuous place no higher than the first story of a dwelling or at an equivalent height in the case of other structures.
10. The proper number in rural areas assigned pursuant to this bylaw shall be affixed in a conspicuous place visible from the frontage road and shall meet the requirements of Section 1(d).
11. Nothing in this bylaw shall be construed so as to prevent any owners or occupier of any structure required by this bylaw to be numbered, from affixing numbers of such size or type as the owner or occupier prefers, provided that such numbers meet the requirements set out in Sections 1(d)(ii) of this bylaw.
12. No owner or occupier of a structure bearing a number shall continue to use a number in a municipal address sign if notified in writing by Lakeland County that the municipal address sign is not in accordance with this bylaw.
13. Written notice pursuant to Section 12 of this bylaw shall be served upon the owner or occupier and shall require alteration of the municipal address sign, to a correct proper number designated by Lakeland County within thirty (30) days of the date of the notice.
14. No person shall;
 - (a) Fail to post a Municipal Address sign as required in this Bylaw.
 - (b) Display a Municipal Address sign with specifications less than those described in this Bylaw.
 - (c) Deface or remove a Municipal Address sign from any location within Lakeland County.
 - (d) Obstruct any Municipal Address sign by any natural or man-made object whether temporary or not.
 - (e) Obstruct any Peace Officer in the performance of his investigation and lawful authority to enforce this Bylaw.
15. Any person who, in any way, contravenes or causes, suffers or permits a contravention of any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a minimum and specified penalty of one hundred (\$100) dollars, exclusive of costs.
16. Where a contravention of this bylaw is of a continuing nature, the offender is liable on summary conviction to a maximum fine of one thousand (\$1000) dollars

or in default of payment of the fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year, or to both fine and imprisonment in such amounts.

17. Where a Peace Officer has reasonable grounds to believe that a Person has violated any provision of this Bylaw, the Peace Officer may commence Court proceedings against such Person by:
 - (a) Issuing the Person a Violation Ticket pursuant to the provisions of Part 2 of the Provincial Offences Procedure Act; or
 - (b) Swearing out an Information and Complaint against the Person.
18. Where a Peace Officer issues a person a Violation Ticket in accordance with Section 17 of this Bylaw, the Officer may either:
 - (a) allow the Person to pay the specified penalty as provided for the offence in Section 15 of this Bylaw by including such specified penalty in the Violation Ticket; or
 - (b) require a Court appearance of the Person where the Peace Officer believes that such appearance is in the public interest, pursuant to the provisions of Part 2 of the Provincial Offences Procedure Act.
19. No provision of this Bylaw nor any action taken pursuant to any provision of this Bylaw shall restrict, limit, prevent or preclude Lakeland County from pursuing any other remedy provided by the Municipal Government Act, or any other law of the Province of Alberta.
20. This bylaw shall come into force and effect on the final day of passing thereof.

**MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DECHAIINE THAT BYLAW 06-023 BE GIVEN
FIRST READING THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006.**

**MOTION BY COUNCILLOR UGANECZ THAT BYLAW 06-023 BE GIVEN
SECOND READING THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006.**

**MOTION BY COUNCILLOR LANE THAT BYLAW 06-023 BE SUBMITTED
FOR THIRD AND FINAL READING THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006.**

**MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BOCHKAREV THAT BYLAW 06-023 BE GIVEN
THIRD READING THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006.**

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Chief Administrative Officer