

VILLAGE OF ELNORA
THE PARKS AND CAMPGROUND BYLAW

BYLAW NUMBER 501-0813

A BYLAW OF THE VILLAGE OF ELNORA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTROL AND OPERATION OF PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, CAMPGROUNDS, PICNIC AREAS AND BOULEVARDS IN THE VILLAGE OF ELNORA.

WHEREAS the Provincial Government of Alberta gives the Municipalities the power to enact Bylaws according to the Municipal Government Act, Revised statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, Section 7 “A Council may pass Bylaws that are considered expedient and are not contrary to this or any other Act”;

THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Elnora in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

CITATION

1. This Bylaw may be cited as the “Parks and Campground Bylaw”.

DEFINITIONS

2. In this bylaw, the following definitions shall apply;
 - (a) “**Animal**” means any creature not human.
 - (b) “**Boulevard**” shall mean the division of a highway between that part intended for the use of vehicles and that part thereof intended for the use of pedestrians or; the division of a roadway between that part intended for use of vehicles and the point where public property ends and private property begins where there is no pedestrian walkways.
 - (c) “**Campground**” means a park designated as a site on which daytime or overnight camping is permitted.
 - (d) “**Camping Unit**” shall mean:
 - i) a tent
 - ii) a trailer
 - iii) a tent trailer
 - iv) a motor home
 - v) a van
 - vi) a truck camperused by a person as shelter equipment while camping.

- (e) “**CAO**” means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Village of Elnora.
- (f) “**Council**” means the Council of the Village of Elnora.
- (g) “**Motor Vehicle**” shall mean any type of motorized vehicle as defined in the Highway Safety Act, RSA 2000.
- (h) “**Park**” means land owned or controlled by the Village that is now or hereafter established, dedicated, set apart or designated, specified or made available for use by the public as a park, playground, campground, recreation area or picnic site.
- (i) “**Park Attendant**” means an individual appointed by Council to monitor activities in the campground including a contracted person or any member of Village staff.
- (j) “**Peace Officer**” shall mean a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, a Special Constable or Bylaw Enforcement Officer as appointed by Council.
- (k) “**Village**” means the Village of Elnora

PROHIBITION AND EXEMPTIONS

- 3. No person shall, while in a park, playground, campground or picnic area;
 - (a) injure, damage or deface in any way or tamper with anything in any park, playground, campground or picnic area, including but not limited to: trees, shrubs, hedges, flowers, grass areas, buildings, plumbing, heat or light fixtures, walls, fences, gates, benches, playground equipment, exhibits, or any other improvements situated on or in the property.
 - (b) enter any area posted as a prohibited area for either motor vehicles, campers or pedestrians.
 - (c) swear or use obscene, offensive or insulting language, fight, be found to be intoxicated or conduct himself/herself in a disorderly manner.
 - (d) start a fire in any recreation area within the Village of Elnora including any park, playground, campground, ball diamond or picnic area, except in a barbecue or other portable fire appliance designed for the cooking of food and used for the cooking of food except where the group fire pit facility is being used. When the group fire pit is in use, it must be attended to at all times and campers are to ensure the fire is extinguished before leaving.

- (e) cause, permit or allow any livestock owned by him/her or under his/her control to be in such park or campground, except in areas temporarily designated by the Village for such livestock and the owner shall be responsible for cleaning up or picking up the animal's bodily waste, straw, hay or other waste that may be left behind.
 - (f) cause, permit or allow any animal to be in such park, playground or campground unless said animal is on a leash at all times and the owner shall be responsible for picking up the animal's bodily wastes.
 - (g) cause, permit or allow any other person under his/her control to do anything prohibited by this Bylaw.
 - (h) litter as specifically stated in the Provincial Statutes of Alberta.
 - (i) use or operate any radio, television, CD player or other music reproduction system in such a manner as to interfere with or lessen the use of or enjoyment of the park, playground or campground by any other person.
 - (j) conduct business in a park, campground, playground, and/or boulevard without written permission from the Village of Elnora, at the discretion of the CAO.
 - (k) remove any trees, hedges, ornaments, fixtures or structures.
 - (l) make a public address or demonstration or otherwise act in such a manner to cause a public gathering or attract public attention without written permission from the Village of Elnora, at the discretion of the CAO.
4. The CAO at his/her discretion may;
- (a) regulate in any manner the use of all highways within parks, playgrounds or campgrounds and except registered highways, may cause such highways to be closed.
 - (b) from time to time and for such periods as he/she considers necessary for the protection of the park, playground, or campground, close such area or portion thereof, to the use of the public.
5. Camping:
- (a) No person shall camp overnight in the park, playground, campground or boulevard area except in an area designated for that purpose unless

permission is first obtained from the Village of Elnora, at the discretion of the Park Attendant.

- (b) Camping sites are on a first-come, first-serve basis. No reservations will be accepted except for group functions (See point 6).
 - (c) All campers are required to pay the daily rate charge as set by the Village, using the self-registration system provided.
 - (d) A camping permit shall be deemed to have been issued upon payment of the daily rate charge.
 - (e) Only one camping unit is allowed per camp site.
 - (f) Quiet hours are in effect from 11:00 pm to 7:00 Am every day of the week.
 - (g). Consumption of liquor must be contained within the individual camp site and must not be taken off the camp site.
 - (h) No animals, including dogs and cats, are permitted in the showers or washrooms.
 - (i) No washing of dishes or clothing is permitted in the showers or washrooms.
 - (j) Speed limit on roads within the campground is 20 km/hr.
 - (k) Campsites must be kept neat and tidy at all times.
 - (l) Any camper paying for 30 consecutive nights in advance is entitled to a 20% discount on the total camping fee for that period and must pay at Village Office.
 - (m) The Park Attendant may use his/her discretion to refuse admittance or cancel a camping permit to any patron(s) and request a patron(s) to leave the campground when an infraction of the Bylaw has occurred.
 - (n) On expiry or cancellation of a camping permit, the permit holder shall vacate the camp site and remove all shelter equipment and other property and ensure the site is left in a clean and orderly manner.
6. Group Camping:
- (a) Group camping may be arranged with the Village at the discretion of the CAO on a first-come, first-serve basis.

- (b) Each group shall appoint a representative who shall take responsibility of the respective group and who will be responsible for booking arrangements and payment of the campground fees.
 - (c) The Village of Elnora may require any group using the campground to supply additional facilities for use by the group such as portable toilets.
7. Nothing in this Bylaw shall prevent any employee or agent of the Village from performing his/her lawful duties.

OFFENCE PROVISIONS

8. For the purposes of this Bylaw, a Peace Officer may;
- (a) enter on and inspect any land, road, highway, structure or work in a park, campground, playground, boulevard or picnic site.
 - (b) order any person in a park, campground, playground, boulevard or picnic site to cease or refrain from any action, omission, or conduct that in the opinion of the Officer is dangerous to life or property or detrimental to the use and enjoyment of the area by other persons.
 - (c) remove from a park, campground, playground, boulevard or picnic area;
 - i. any person making an unauthorized use of the area,
 - ii. any person failing to comply with any provisions of this Bylaw, or,
 - iii. any person creating a nuisance or disturbance or committing a trespass or any undesirable act,by force, if necessary.

OFFENCES AND FINES

9. Any person who contravenes any section of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not less than fifty (\$50) dollars or in excess of one thousand (\$1000) dollars and/or eviction from the park, campground, playground, boulevard or picnic site.

SEVERABILITY

10. 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.

Read a 1st time this 9th day of September, 2008

Read a 2nd time this 18 day of November, 2008

Read a 3rd and final time this ___ day of _____ and finally passed.

Mayor

Administrator