BY-LAW NO. 512-1103 A BY-LAW OF THE VILLAGE OF ELNORA IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA "GOPHER BOUNTY BYLAW"

WHEREAS Alberta Provincial Statutes authorize municipalities to offer a bounty for the destruction of gophers; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Elnora determines gophers constitute a nuisance to property; and

WHEREAS Village Council determines that it is in the best interest of the public to establish a bounty to encourage the destruction of gophers in the Village;

NOW THEREFORE, **BE IT REOLVED**, that the Council of the Village of Elnora does hereby establish a gopher bounty for the Village of Elnora to be conducted as follows:

- 1. This By-law may be cited as the Gopher Bounty Bylaw
- 2. In this By-law,
 - (a) "Council" means the Council of the Village of Elnora;
 - (b) "Designated Officer" means a Public Works employee designated by Council to collect tails and process bounty claim statements.
 - (c) "Gopher" means striped gopher, flickertail gopher, pocket gopher, Richardson ground squirrel and prairie dog.
 - (d) "Snare" means a manned trapping device.
- The bounty shall only apply to gophers that were, to the satisfaction of the Designated Officer actually captured and killed within the corporate boundaries of the Village of Elnora.
- 4. The acceptable means of capture/killing of gophers is snaring. Shooting a gopher with any type of projectile weapon is not an accepted method of extermination within Village limits.

- 5. Snares on public property must not interfere with municipal operations or public enjoyment of open spaces.
- 6. The Designated Officer has authority to order snares moved that do not comply with part 5.
- 7. Individuals snaring gophers must have permission of a property owner before entering on private property for the purpose of carrying out this Bylaw.
- 8. To be eligible for collection of the bounty, gopher tails must be presented to the Designated Officer.
- 9. The person claiming a bounty must provide his or her name, address and the location where the animal(s) were killed according to the format of Schedule A.
- 10. The amount of the bounty shall be \$1.00 (one dollar) per tail presented and approved by the Designated Officer up to a maximum of \$50.00 (fifty dollars) per person.
- 11. The Designated Officer is responsible for ensuring proper disposal of tails received and approved for a bounty. Bounty collectors are responsible for ensuring proper disposal of the remaining portion of the carcasses which does not include residential garbage pick-up.

Read a first time this 13 th day of	September, A	D., 2011.		
Read a second time this	day of _		,A.D., 20	
Read a third time and finally pass	sed this	day of		_, A.D., 20
MAYOR				
ADMINISTRATOR				

SCHEDULE "A"

Name;	
Address;	
Date;	
Number of tails; at \$1.00 each =	: BOUNTY \$
Signature	Designated Officer

Please mark where the gophers were caught on the map below.