

BY-LAW NO. 2811
COUNTY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE NO. 1

A by-law of the County of Grande Prairie No. 1, in the
Province of Alberta, to provide rules, regulations and
penalties for contravention for all County Parks

WHEREAS the Council of the County of Grande Prairie No. 1 deems it expedient to establish rules, regulations and penalties for contravention for all County Parks, including but not limited to the following:

Demmit Park	NW-4-75-13-W6
Clairmont Park	SW-25-72-6-W6
Pipestone Creek Park	NE-11-70-8-W6
Hommy Park	NE-30-72-10-W6
Kleskun Hill Park	SE-26-72-4-W6
Valhalla Park	SW-18-74-9-W6
Bear Lake Park	NE-27-72-7-W6
Red Willow Park	NE-24-74-11-W6
Saskatoon Mountain Park	NE-10-72-9-W6
Old Bezanson Townsite Park	NW-17-71-2-W6

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the County of Grande Prairie No. 1, duly assembled, under and by virtue of the authority conferred upon Council by the MGA, Chapter M-26, RSA 2000 and amendments thereto, and the Forest and Prairie Protection Act, chapter F-19, RSA 2000 and amendments thereto, enacts as follows:

1. NAME OF BYLAW:

1.1 This By-law shall be cited as the "Parks By-law".

2. DEFINITIONS:

2.1 In this By-law:

- a) "Animal" means a domestic animal as defined in the County Dog Control Bylaw # 2310, Section 2(f), and includes an animal that is wild by nature but has been domesticated.
- b) "Camping Unit" means a tent, trailer, 5th wheel trailer, truck camper, motor home, camperized van, or other unit commonly used as a shelter while persons camp or in conjunction with camping.
- c) "Day use" means any Park or any area of any park so designated where individual campsites are not provided and overnight camping is not allowed.
- d) "Firearm" means a firearm as defined in the County Discharge of Firearms Bylaw # 2630, Section 2.
- e) "Campsite" means a numbered campsite within a designated park where overnight camping is allowed on a daily fee for usage.
- f) "Litter" means any rubbish, refuse, waste material, garbage, cigarette butts, package material, plastics, glass, cans, manure, human or animal excrement or sewage, dead animals or animal parts, or any such item that is discarded and not intended for re-use.

- g) "Livestock" means any horse, head of cattle, sheep, goat, mule, or ass, alpaca or llama;
- h) "Motor Vehicle" means a motor vehicle as defined in the Province of Alberta Traffic Safety Act, RSA 2000.
- i) "Nuisance" means any or all of the following:
 - j) drunkenness
 - ii) use of obscene, offensive or insulting language
 - iii) fighting or disorderly conduct
 - iv) excessively loud or disruptive noise or music at any time
 - v) any conduct which in the opinion of the Park Caretaker, Park Supervisor or a Peace Officer infringes upon the lawful right of other park users peace, quiet and enjoyment of the park.
- k) "Off Highway Vehicle" means an off highway vehicle (OHV) as defined in the Province of Alberta Traffic Safety Act, RSA 2000.
- l) "Park Caretaker" means that person or persons, employed or contracted by the County of Grande Prairie No. 1, responsible for the daily activities of the park including, but not limited to, cleaning, maintenance, collection of fees and making sure rules and regulations are observed.
- m) "Parks Supervisor" means that person or persons, employed or contracted by the County of Grande Prairie No. 1, responsible for all the daily operation of the Parks and to whom the Park Caretakers report to.
- n) "Peace Officer" means a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police; a Peace Officer appointed pursuant to the Alberta Peace Officer Act; a Special Constable; a By-law Enforcement Officer employed by the County of Grande Prairie No. 1, or an Animal Control Officer employed or contracted by the County of Grande Prairie No. 1.
- o) "Registry (or registered)" means the term used to describe the permit registration envelope and system in place to manage the lawful occupancy of campsites and the collection of fees for same.
- p) "Person" shall include a group of persons, a firm, a partnership or corporate body.
- q) "Registered owner" means that person as named on the "registry" for the campsite and shall be deemed responsible for all activities in and around that campsite with respect to park rules, regulations, and penalties. In the case of no registry existing, this shall default to the person in possession of the campsite.
- r) "Self registration" means the following process:
 - a) person occupies a vacant campsite and returns to the registry booth to register
 - b) person completes fully all information on the registry envelope as requested
 - c) person puts required camping fee in envelope and removes registry stub
 - d) person deposits envelope in vault located at registry booth. Registry stub is attached to campsite site numbered post
 - e) self-registration to occur within 30 minutes of occupying campsite.

3. GENERAL RULES:

- 3.1 The General Rules that apply to all County Parks as contained within this Bylaw, other County Bylaws, Provincial Statutes of Alberta and the Criminal Code of Canada are found in Appendix C as attached to this Bylaw.

4. REGULATIONS:

- 4.1 A person who enters a designated park shall comply with:
- a) any lawful rule or regulation made or issued pursuant to this bylaw; and,
 - b) the instructions, prohibitions and directions prescribed by all lawfully designated and erected signs and notices.
- 4.2 The maximum length of stay at all County Parks, unless otherwise directed by the County Director of Protective Services and Parks is fourteen (14) days.
- 4.3 The maximum occupancy of any campsite, without specific permission of the Parks Caretaker or Supervisor, shall be one motor vehicle, one camping unit and six (6) people.
- 4.4 Self registry is in effect in all Parks where overnight camping is allowed. No person shall:
- a) fail to self-register within designated timelines
 - b) fail to fully complete the registration form
 - c) fail to accurately provide info and register form
 - d) fail to include payment in registration envelope
 - e) occupy any campsite where not registered.
- 4.5 Animals are the responsibility of each animal owner and if that is undetermined, the registered owner of the campsite. No person shall:
- a) allow any animal to be at large
 - b) have any animal outside their registered campsite not on a leash
 - c) allow any animal to become a nuisance by making excessive noise
 - d) fail to clean up animal feces either within a campsite or within the park.
- 4.6
- a) Livestock is not permitted in County Parks at any time unless permission has been granted by the County Director of Protective Services.
 - b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), horses that are accompanied by riders and are under the direct supervision of that rider are allowed in "Day Use" areas of County Parks.
- 4.7 Off Highway Vehicles are not permitted in County Parks. No person shall:
- a) have an OHV in a park without permission
 - b) operate an OHV in a park.
- 4.8 No person in any designated park shall:

- a) cut, break, bend or in any way, damage or deface any turf, tree, shrub, hedge, plant, flower or rock
 - b) walk, stand or sit in or on any flower bed
 - c) damage, deface or remove any Park property.
- 4.9 Park cleanliness is necessary to keep our parks a clean, safe and enjoyable experience for all users. No person shall:
- a) fail to deposit litter in a litter receptacle
 - b) litter in a park
 - c) leave any campsite in such condition as to require further clean-up or special maintenance
 - d) occupy any campsite which in the opinion of the Park Caretaker, Supervisor, or a Peace Officer constitutes an unsightly premise or safety hazard
 - e) leave any washroom, toilet or shower facility in any condition requiring special attention, maintenance or clean-up
 - f) bath or clean clothing, fish or cooking utensils, vehicles or other equipment at or near drinking fountains or fresh water supply locations or water pumps
 - g) deposit liquid waste known as grey water or sewer at any location within a park except as designated and permitted.
- 4.10 No person, either in a registered campsite or a park, shall engage in any form of activity that disturbs or interferes with the rest, quiet and enjoyment of the park by any other user. Quiet hours and nuisance behaviour regulations are necessary to maintain the family oriented parks this municipality desires. No person shall:
- a) make noise that disturbs the rest, peace or enjoyment of any person within the park during the period of 11:00 pm to 7:00 am daily, known as "quiet hours"
 - b) be a nuisance or engage in any form of nuisance behavior.
- 4.11 No person shall, without permission of the parks caretaker or supervisor, drive or park any motor vehicle or camping unit, at any location not specifically designed or designated for that purpose.

5. EVICTION:

- 5.1 Any violation of a general park rule or regulation may result in eviction from a County Park. Power to evict is granted to Park Caretakers, the Park Supervisor or a Peace Officer.
- 5.2 The eviction process shall be as follows:
- a) verbal warning of non-compliance which may include a reasonable time for remedy
 - b) written warning of non-compliance which may include written instruction along with specified timelines for remedy on a Park Violation Notice as contained in Appendix A
 - c) service of an eviction notice in the form of a Park Violation Notice as contained in Appendix A.
- 5.3 For the purposes of this bylaw, service shall include personal service on any campsite occupant who appears to be 18 years or older; personal services on the registered owner of the campsite; and lastly by prominently posting the eviction notice on the apparent main entry door

to the camping unit.

- 5.4 Once served, an eviction notice is final and without appeal.
- 5.5 Dependent upon the severity of the violation and in the interest and safety of the public, an eviction notice can be served forthwith foregoing both verbal and written notices.
- 5.6 Any person served with an eviction notice and failing to respond and vacate the park is deemed to be trespassing and all the provisions of the Alberta Petty Trespass Act, Chapter P-11, RSA 2000 apply.

6. REGISTERED OWNER:

- 6.1 For the purposes of this bylaw, the registered owner of a campsite is responsible for any and all violations of rules or regulations committed within the campsite or within the park by any person who, without evidence to the contrary, is from that campsite.

7. PENALTIES:

- 7.1 The offences under this bylaw in respect of which a voluntary penalty may be made are set out in the attached Appendix B. The specific amount of the penalty payable is set out under the column headed "penalty".
- 7.2 A violation ticket as distributed by the Province of Alberta and set out in the Provincial Offence Procedures Act and Regulation may be issued by a peace officer for any contravention of this bylaw.
- 7.3 A violation ticket is deemed sufficiently served:
 - a) if served personally on the accused; or
 - b) if mailed to the address of the registered owner of the vehicle pursuant to the provisions of Section 160(1) of the Traffic Safety Act pertaining to registered owners of vehicles.
 - c) as a substitute, when the accused cannot be conveniently found, served upon any person appearing to be 18 years or older, at the residence of the accused.

8. SEVERABILITY:

- 8.1 Should any provision of this Bylaw become invalid, void, illegal or otherwise not enforceable, it shall be considered separate and severable from the Bylaw and the remainder shall remain in force and be binding as though such provision had not been invalid.


9. RESCIND PREVIOUS BYLAWS:

- 9.1 County of Grande Prairie No. 1 By-Laws 2271 and 2272 are hereby rescinded.

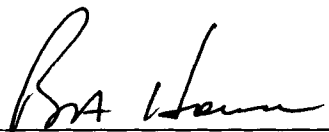
10. **ENACTMENT:**

10.1 This By-law shall come into force and effect upon the date of it finally being passed.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT, A THIRD AND FINAL TIME THIS 10th DAY OF April A. D. 2007.




REEVE

Acting


COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

APPENDIX "A"



PROTECTIVE SERVICES & PARKS

☐ WARNING

☐ RECEIPT

☐ TIME TO PRODUCE

☐ TIME TO PURCHASE

DATE

/

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TIME

AM ☐

PM ☐

NAME

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

ADDRESS

(Street)

(City)

(Province)

(Postal Code)

(Telephone)

LOCATION

OFFENCE

SECTION/ACT

DOB

OP LIC NO

PROVINCE

ALBERTA ☐

OTHER ☐

VEHICLE MAKE	YEAR	COLOR	LICENCE PLATE #	<input type="checkbox"/> OWNER
				<input type="checkbox"/> DRIVER
				<input type="checkbox"/> PASSENGER

☐ EVICTION for

under the authority of the Park Control Order, you are hereby evicted from

(Name of Park)

for

(Time Period)

commencing at

(Time)

AM ☐

PM ☐

DATE

20

YOU ARE REQUESTED TO PRODUCE ☐

PURCHASE ☐

AT

BEFORE

"FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE MAY RESULT IN FURTHER ACTION:"

DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES

RECEIVED ☐

SEIZED ☐

COMPLAINANT SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME

NO

SERVICE

OFFICE

MENZIES PRINTERS 375441

WHITE - CLIENT COPY

GREEN - OFFICER COPY

PINK - OFFICE COPY

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OFFICER'S NOTES

HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____

COLOR HAIR _____ EYES _____

PECULIARITIES _____
(Tattoos, Scars, Marks)

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT _____

BUSINESS PHONE NUMBER _____

INVESTIGATION DETAILS:

CONDITIONS

TRAFFIC CONDITIONS

ROAD _____

WEATHER _____

THE REQUEST ☐ WAS COMPLIED WITH
☐ WAS NOT COMPLIED WITH

CONFIRMED ON _____

CONFIRMATION RECEIVED FROM _____

SIGNATURE PRINT NAME NO SERVICE

APPENDIX B

<u>SECTION</u>	<u>OFFENCE</u>	<u>PENALTY</u>
4.1 a)	Fail to comply with Park rules or regulations	\$ 100.00
b)	Fail to comply with Park instructions, notices or signs	100.00
4.2	Stay longer than 14 days without permission	100.00
4.3	Exceed maximum occupancy without permission	50.00
4.4 a)	Fail to self register within 30 minutes	100.00
b)	Fail to fully complete registry form	100.00
c)	Fail to accurately provide information on registry form	250.00
d)	Fail to provide payment with registry form	100.00
e)	Occupy campsite when not registered	100.00
4.5 a)	Animal at large	50.00
b)	Animal outside registered campsite not on a leash	50.00
c)	Allow animal to become a nuisance with excessive noise	100.00
d)	Fail to clean up animal feces in campsite/park	100.00
4.6	Have livestock in Park	100.00
4.7 a)	Have OHV in park without permission	200.00
b)	Operate OHV in park without permission	200.00
4.8 a)	Cut, break, bend, damage or deface turf, vegetation or rocks	250.00
b)	Walk, stand or sit in or on flower beds	50.00
c)	Damage, deface or remove any Park property	500.00
4.9 a)	Fail to deposit litter in litter receptacles	200.00
b)	Litter in a park	200.00
c)	Leave campsite unclean	250.00
d)	Occupy campsite deemed unsightly	250.00
e)	Leave washroom, toilet or shower facility unclean	100.00
f)	Bathe or clean clothing or fish, etc. near fresh water supply	100.00
g)	Deposit gray or sewer water in park	500.00
4.10 a)	Noise disturbing other persons between 11 pm - 7 am	250.00
b)	Be a nuisance or engage in nuisance behavior	500.00
4.11	Drive/park MV or camping unit where prohibited	50.00

APPENDIX C

GENERAL RULES FOR COUNTY PARKS

- Maximum length of stay is Fourteen (14) consecutive days
- Maximum Occupancy per campsite is one (1) camping unit, one (1) motor vehicle and six (6) people unless prior permission obtained
- First come, first served, no reservations
- Pre-paying of campsites in lieu of immediate occupancy is allowed
- Self Registry is in effect
- Checkout time is 2:00 pm
- Campsites must be left clean when vacated
- No credit for camping fees or registration will be extended
- Obey all notices and posted signs
- No animals running at large, dogs on leashes only (Dog Control Bylaw # 2310)
- Quiet time is 11:00 pm to 7:00 am daily
- No person shall disturb the rest, peace or enjoyment of any other person at any time (Noise Bylaw # 1964)
- Liquor consumption and possession in registered campsites only (Gaming and Liquor Act)
- No Off Highway Vehicles allowed (Off Highway Vehicle Bylaw # 2600)
- Fires in provided firepits or stoves only (Fire Protection Bylaw # 2682)
- Litter deposited in provided litter receptacles only (Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act)
- Discharge of fireworks is prohibited (Fire Protection Bylaw # 2682 and the Alberta Fire Code)
- Harassment of Wildlife is prohibited (Wildlife Act)
- Discharging of firearms is prohibited (Discharge of Weapons Bylaw # 2630)
- Cutting, defacing or removing turf, plants or rocks is prohibited
- Damaging, defacing or removing Park property is prohibited (Criminal Code of Canada)
- Camping is allowed only in permitted campsites
- Adherence to all traffic safety laws is required (Alberta Traffic Safety Act)
- Criminal code breeches will not be tolerated (Criminal Code of Canada)
- Nuisance behavior will not be tolerated. This includes:
 - i) drunkenness
 - ii) use of obscene, offensive, or insulting language
 - iii) fighting or disorderly conduct
 - iv) excessively loud or disruptive noise or music
 - v) any conduct which in the opinion of the Park Caretaker, Parks Supervisor or a Peace Officer, infringes upon the lawful right of other park users peace, quiet and enjoyment of any park or camping facility or activity

VIOLATIONS OF ONE OR MORE OF THESE RULES OR ANY REGULATION ENACTED UNDER THE COUNTY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE PARKS BYLAW 2811 MAY RESULT IN IMMEDIATE EVICTION FROM THE PARK AND/OR PROSECUTION