

#### BYLAW #3236

#### Divisional Boundaries and Council Composition Bylaw

A Bylaw of the County of Grande Prairie No. 1, in the Province of Alberta for the purpose of establishing the composition of County of Grande Prairie No. 1 Council; dividing the County of Grande Prairie No.1 into electoral divisions and establishing the boundaries of each division; and determining the title of the positions of County of Grande Prairie No. 1's Chief Elected Official and Councillors.

**WHEREAS** pursuant to section 143 of the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26* Council may pass a bylaw to specify the number of Councillors that the County of Grande Prairie No. 1 will consist of; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to section 148 of the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26* and amendments thereto, Council may by bylaw divide the municipality into wards ("divisions") and establish their boundaries, give each division a name or number, or both; and state the number of Councillors to be elected for each division and;

**WHEREAS** pursuant to section 150 of the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26,* the Chief Elected Official is to be appointed by Council from among the councillors and in accordance with the County Procedural Bylaw; and

WHEREAS pursuant to section 152 of the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26,* the Deputy Chief Elected Official must be appointed by Council from among the councillors and in accordance with the County Procedural Bylaw; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to section 155 of the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26,* Council may direct another title appropriate for the office of Councillor and Chief Elected Official; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to section 151 of the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26* a bylaw passed under section 143, 148, or 150 must be passed by December 31 of the year before the general election at which it is to take effect; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, under the authority of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the County of Grande Prairie No. 1, in the Province of Alberta, hereby enacts as follows:

#### INTERPRETATION

- 1. This Bylaw shall be cited as the "Divisional Boundaries and Council Composition Bylaw".
- 2. Headings in this Bylaw are for reference purposes only.

- 3. Words in the masculine gender will include the feminine gender whenever the context so requires and vice versa.
- 4. Words in the singular shall include the plural or vice versa whenever the context so requires.

## DEFINITIONS

- 5. In this Bylaw:
  - 5.1 "County" means the municipality of the County of Grande Prairie No. 1 having jurisdiction under the Municipal Government Act and other applicable legislation.
  - 5.2 "Division" has the same meaning as "ward" under the Municipal Government Act.

## COUNCIL COMPOSITION

- 6. The Chief Elected Official for the County shall have the title "Reeve".
- 7. The County Council shall be comprised of nine (9) Councillors including the Reeve.
- Candidates for the offices of Councillor shall be nominated for a specific Division, and one
   (1) Councillor shall be elected for each Division.
- 9. The term of office of Councillors is governed by the *Local Authorities Election Act*.
- 10. Councillors are to be elected in accordance with the Local Authorities Election Act.

## **DIVISIONS AND DIVISIONAL BOUNDARIES**

- 11. The County shall be divided into nine (9) Divisions.
- 12. The boundaries of the Divisions shall be established as follows:

Range 2 West of the Sixth Meridian (W6M)	<ul> <li>In Township 71, all those portions lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River and west of the right bank of the Smoky River;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>In Township 72, all those portions lying west of the right bank of the Smoky River; and</li> </ul>
	• All those portions of the southerly two-thirds of Township 73 lying west of the right bank of the Smoky River.
Range 3 W6M	<ul> <li>In Township 70, all those portions lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>In Township 71, all those portions lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River;</li> </ul>
	All of Township 72; and
	The southerly two-thirds of Township 73.
Range 4 W6M	<ul> <li>In Township 70, all those portions lying north or the right bank of the Wapiti River;</li> </ul>
	All of Townships 71 and 72; and
	The southerly two-thirds of Township 73.

Range 5 W6M	<ul> <li>In Township 70, all those portions of Sections 13 and 24 lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River, and all of Sections 25 and 36;</li> </ul>
	The easterly one-sixth of Townships 71 and 72; and
	In Township 73, all Sections of 1, 12, 13 and 24.

Range 5 W6M	•	The westerly five-sixths of Township 72, excluding those portions lying within the City of Grande Prairie; and
	•	In Township 73, Sections 2 to 11 inclusive and 14 to 23 inclusive, excluding those portions lying within the Town of Sexsmith.
Range 6 W6M	•	In Township 72, Sections 1 to 3 inclusive, 9 to 16 inclusive, and 19 to 36 inclusive, excluding those portions within the City of Grande Prairie; and
	•	In Township 73, Sections 1 to 23 inclusive, excluding those portions within the Town of Sexsmith.

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Range 5 W6M	•	All those portions of the westerly five-sixths of Township 70 lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River; and
	•	All those portions of the westerly five-sixths of Township 71, excluding those portions within the City of Grande Prairie.
Range 6 W6M	•	All those portions of the easterly two-thirds of Township 70 lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River;
	•	All those portions of the easterly two-thirds of Township 71, excluding those portions within the City of Grande Prairie.

Range 6 W6M	•	All those portions of the westerly one-third of Township 70 lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River; and
	•	All those portions of the westerly one-third of Township 71, excluding those portions within the City of Grande Prairie.
Range 7 W6M	•	In Township 70, all those portions lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River;
	•	All of Township 71, excluding those portions within the City of Grande Prairie;
	•	All portions of Township 72 lying south of the north shore of Bear Lake, excluding those portions within the City of Grande Prairie; and
	•	All portions of Township 73 lying south of the north shore of Bear Lake.

Range 8 W6M	• All those portions of the east half of Township 70 lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River;
	<ul> <li>All those portions of the east half of Township 71, excluding those portions within the Town of Wembley; and</li> </ul>
	All of the east half of Township 72.

Range 8 W6M	•	All those portions of the west half of Township 70 lying north and west of the right bank of the Wapiti River; and
	•	All of the west halves of Townships 71 and 72.
Range 9 W6M	•	All those portions of Township 70 lying north and west of the right bank of the Wapiti River and east of the right bank of the Beaverlodge River and Red Willow River;
	•	All those portions of Township 71 lying east and north of the right bank of the Beaverlodge River; and
	•	All of Township 72.
Range 10 W6M	•	All those portions of Township 72, excluding those portions within the Town of Beaverlodge.

Range 9 W6M	•	In Township 69, all those portions lying north and west of the right bank of the Wapiti River;
	•	In Township 70, all those portions lying west of the right bank of the Beaverlodge River and Red Willow River, and west of the right bank of the Wapiti River; and
	•	In Township 71, all those portions lying south and west of the right bank of the Beaverlodge River.
Range 10 W6M	•	In Township 69, all those portions lying north and west of the right bank of the Wapiti River; and
	•	All those portions of Township 71, excluding those portions within the Town of Beaverlodge.
Range 11 W6M	•	In Townships 68 and 69, all those portions lying north and west of the right bank of the Wapiti River; and
	•	All of Townships 70 and 71.
Range 12 W6M	•	In Townships 67 and 68, all those portions lying north and west of the right bank of the Wapiti River; and
	•	All of Townships 69 to 71 inclusive.

Range 13 W6M	•	In Townships 66 and 67, all those portions lying north and west of the right bank of the Wapiti River; and
	•	All of Townships 68 to 71 inclusive.
Range 14 W6M	•	In Township 66, all those portions lying north of the right bank of the Wapiti River that are within the Province of Alberta; and
	•	In Townships 67 to 71 inclusive, all those portions that are within the Province of Alberta.

Range 10	•	All of the west halves of Townships 73 and 74; and
W6M	•	In Township 75, all of Sections 4 to 9 inclusive, 16, 17, 20 and 21.
Range 11	•	All of Township 72;
W6M	•	All portions of Townships 73 and 74, excluding those portions within the Horse Lake Reserve 152B; and
	•	In Township 75, Sections 1 and 12.
Range 12	•	Townships 72 and 74;
W6M	•	All portions of Township 73, excluding those portions within the Horse Lake Reserve 152B; and
	•	In Township 75, Sections 3 to 7 inclusive.
Range 13	•	All of Townships 72 to 74 inclusive; and
W6M	•	All those portions of the southerly one-third of Township 75 that are within the Province of Alberta.
Range 14 W6M	•	In Townships 72 to 74 inclusive, all those portions that are within the Province of Alberta.

Range 7 W6M	<ul> <li>In Township 72, all those portions of Sections 25 to 27 inclusive and 32 to 36 inclusive that are north and east of the north shore of Bear Lake;</li> </ul>
	All those portions of Township 73 lying north of the north shore of Bear Lake;
	All of Township 74; and
	The southerly one-third of Township 75.
Range 8	All of Townships 73 and 74; and
W6M	• In Township 75, all of Sections 1 to 12 inclusive, 16 to 21 inclusive, and 28 to 33 inclusive.
Range 9 W6M	All of Townships 73 to 75 inclusive.

Range 10	•	The east halves of Townships 73 and 74; and
W6M	•	In Township 75, all of Sections 1 to 3 inclusive, 10 to 15 inclusive, 22 to 26 inclusive, and 36.

Range 1 W6M	<ul> <li>All those portions of Township 75 west of the right bank of the Smoky River.</li> </ul>
Range 2 W6M	<ul> <li>All those portions of the northerly one-third of Township 73 west of the right bank of the Smoky River;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>All those portions of Township 74 west of the right bank of the Smoky River;</li> </ul>
	• All those portions of Township 75, west of the right bank of the Smoky River excluding the west half and the northeast quarter of Section 31 and the northwest quarter of Section 32; and
	<ul> <li>In Township 76, Sections 3 and 4 and the southeast quarter of Section 5.</li> </ul>
Range 3 W6M	The northerly one-third of Township 73;
	All of Township 74; and
	<ul> <li>In Township 75, Sections 1, 2, 11 to 14 inclusive, 23, 24 and the southerly halves of Sections 25 and 26.</li> </ul>
Range 4 W6M	The northerly one-third of Township 73; and
	All of Township 74.
Range 5 W6M	<ul> <li>All portions of the northerly one-third of Township 73 excluding those portions within the Town of Sexsmith;</li> </ul>
	All of Township 74;
	The southerly one-third of Township 75.
Range 6 W6M	<ul> <li>All portions of the northerly one-third of Township 73, excluding those portions within the Town of Sexsmith;</li> </ul>
	All of Township 74; and
	The southerly one-third of Township 75.

13. The number and boundaries of each of the nine (9) Divisions shall be illustrated on the map titled as Schedule "A" that is attached and forms part of this Bylaw and shall exclude any and all incorporated municipalities, Indian Reserves, or Metis Settlements situated therein.

## **SEVERABILITY**

14. Every provision of this Bylaw is independent of all other provisions and if any provision is declared invalid by a Court, then the invalid provisions shall be severed and the remainder provisions shall remain valid and enforceable.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

15. This Bylaw shall come into force and effect on January 1, 2025 for the 2025 general municipal election.

Read a FIRST time this 23 day of September, 2024.

Read a SECOND time this <u>he</u> day of <u>Pecember</u>, 2024.

Read a THIRD time and finally passed this ♦ day of ♦ (om 2024. Robert G. Marshall

Reeve

Joulia Whittleton County Manager

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Schedule "A" - Divisional Boundaries Map



















