

BYLAW NO. 01.25

A BYLAW OF THE VILLAGE OF MACOUN, IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF THE WATERWORKS SYSTEM AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM.

The COUNCIL of the Village of Macoun, in the province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

1. In this bylaw the expression:

- a) **“Administrative Authority”** means a Medical Health Officer or Public Health Inspector of the Sun Country Health Region;
- b) **“Householder”** means owner, occupant, lessee, or tenant, or the otherwise in charge of any dwelling, hotel, restaurant, apartment block, office building, public institution or other premises; and also includes the registered owner of the land on which the offending premises sits;
- c) **“Local Governing Authority”** means the Council of the Village of Macoun;
- d) **“Sewage”** means any liquid waste other than clear water waste or storm water;
- e) **“Storage or Holding Tank”** means a tank constructed of a material that is equivalent to the requirement set out in the Provincial Plumbing Regulations, designed to collect and hold sewage without treatment prior to transporting such waste to a final point of disposal;
- f) **“Privy Vault”** means a storage or holding tank placed under an outside toilet for confinement and storage of human excrement only;
- g) **“Septic Tank”** means a tank constructed of a material that is equivalent to the requirement set out in the Provincial Plumbing Regulations, designed to collect and treat sewage prior to discharge to the municipal sewage system.

2. This Bylaw shall apply to all areas within the corporate limits of the Village of Macoun.

3. a) All persons desiring to be supplied with water from the Village of Macoun water supply shall make application to tie in to the Village water line, to the officials of the Municipality. Each application shall be accompanied by payment of a fee in the amount of **\$2500.00**.

b) Consumers are responsible for the cost of trenching from the existing main water line, and any Village property and roadway repairs shall be borne by the property owner, and must be completed to Council's standards within one year from completion date. Piping, curbstops and valves will be provided by the Village of Macoun at cost to the homeowner. Payment for materials and permit must be made in full to the Village of Macoun before any work is to begin to prevent delays in construction.

c) That any water and sewer installation for the Village of Macoun shall have our Village inspector inspect every installation and take pictures and be sure only proper plumbing and pipe is used. No work will commence or be completed without our inspector's approval. Anyone installing water and sewer must give the Village five working days' notice before any digging will commence.

4. a) All persons desiring to be connected to the Village of Macoun sanitary sewer system shall make application to tie in to the Village sewer line, to the officials of the Municipality. Each application shall be accompanied by payment of a fee in the amount of **\$2500.00**.

b) Consumers are responsible for the cost of the septic tank and trenching from the existing main sewer line, and any Village property and roadway repair shall be borne by the property owner, and must be completed within one year from completion date. The Village of Macoun will supply saddle and piping at cost to the homeowner. Payment for material and permit must be made in full to the Village of Macoun before any work is to begin to prevent delays in construction.

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5. All building owner whose premises are located in areas identified in section 2 where the land abuts a municipal water main and/or municipal sewer main shall, within 60 days of receiving notice from the local governing authority:

- a) Install in the building, at his or her own expense, a water closet and sink or lavatory, and any other fixtures the council considers necessary; and
- b) Cause them to be connected to the municipal water main or municipal sewer main as the case may be.

6. Any person installing storage, holding tank or septic tank for the purpose of storing sewage, located in areas identified in section 2 of this Bylaw, must first obtain approval to do so from the administrative authority.

- a) All householders whose premises are located in areas identified in section 2 must install an approval storage tank, holding tank or septic tank to receive sewage emanating from their premises.
- b) Private disposal system in areas not serviced by the municipal sewage system must be approved by the administrative authority.

7. All new facilities for the storage of sewage, located in areas identified in section 2, shall comply with this Bylaw and any amendments thereto or revision thereof.

8. Existing facilities for the storage and/or disposal of sewage shall be required to comply with this Bylaw at the time and to an extent specified by the administrative authority and the local governing authority.

9. The facilities provided for the treatment and discharge of sewage to the municipal sewer system shall be:

- a) Two compartment septic tanks approved by the administrative authority and located so that they are easily accessible to pump out trucks.
- b) The sewage discharge pipe connecting the septic tank to the municipal system shall be:
 - i. Buried to a depth of no less than 8 feet;
 - ii. One and One quarter (1 ¼) in diameter HDPE pipe;
 - iii. The sewage discharge pump shall not exceed pumping pressure of 40 psi.

10. The property owner shall maintain all facilities on his/her property for the storage and treatment of sewage in sanitary and structural conditions satisfactory to the administrative authority.

11. No person shall provide a sewage transporting service within the Village of Macoun to empty into the Village Lagoon without a current permit to do so from Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment and written approval from the local governing authority.

12. A person granted approval to transport sewage to the Village Lagoon shall provide the local governing authority with such information as may be required from time to time regarding the service provided to any household.

13. The local governing authority may establish a schedule of fees for disposal of sewage.

14. Sewage transported shall be disposed of only at point(s) approved by Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment and the local governing authority.
15. The property owner/plumber shall NOT install any cross-connections that could connect the potable water source to a source of contamination.
16. Any person(s) found to be releasing effluent from a septic tank onto the ground shall be fined a **\$2500.00** fine for each infraction and the property owner shall have their water service shut off until a full septic tank/pump inspection by a third-party certified inspector (hired by the property owner) has been performed on that system. All recommendations from the certified inspector shall be remedied and fine shall be paid before any water service is to be reconnected.
17. That, no property owner shall allow their weeping tile and/or sump pump to be pumped or plumbed into the Village of Macoun sewer line that flows to the Village Sewer Lagoon, through the septic tank located on that property. The fine for such an offense shall be **\$500.00** per connection.
18. That, any resident caught by a Village Official or employee, using a Village water source to water gardens, water lawns, fill personal swimming pools or using any other excessive water on the outside of their property will be charged a surcharge of **\$500.00**.
19. The Municipality, may by Bylaw, ration or limit the amount of water furnished to any/all consumers should circumstances deem to warrant such action.
20. The Village of Macoun shall not be responsible for loss of water and/or damage which may occur due to emergency shutoff or break in the water lines.
21. No person, other than the Village Administrator, Foremen, or a person authorized by either of them, shall open, close or interfere with any hydrant, gate or valve connected with the water work system. No person shall in any way interfere with any stop-valve, pipe or other waterworks appliance outside of their premises.
22. No person shall turn water on in any premises or open a Village valve or curb-stop except the Village Administrator, Foremen or a person authorized by either of them.
23. When water has been turned off for non-payment of rate, no person shall turn it on again until full payment and a reconnection fee of **\$50.00** is paid in full.
24. When water has been turned off at the request of the property owner, 24 business hours' notice is required in the Village office to have the water turned back on. A reconnection fee of **\$25.00** must be paid prior to water being reconnected.
25. For the purpose of making repairs to the mains or of connecting or repairing service pipes or construction extensions or new work or any other work, the Village shall have the right to shut off the water from any customer without notice and to keep it shut off as long as necessary to enable the work to be completed.

26. The Village of Macoun shall not be liable for damages caused by the breaking of service pipe or attachment; shutting off water to repair mains or connections; shutting off water for failure to pay water and sewer utility account; shutting off water upon request from the property owner or his/her representative for any reason.

27. Every customer intending to vacate any premises supplied with water from the Village waterworks system or who intends to discontinue the use of such water, shall give notice of the same to the Village. Where property has a curbstop connected to the Village waterworks system, Village personnel will shut off the water to the property at the curbstop. Where property does not have a curbstop connected to the Village waterworks system, the property owner shall give notice to the Village. The Village will work with the property owner to have a curbstop installed, full cost of installation will be charged to the property owner.

28. No home is approved to be disconnected from the Village waterworks system without a curbstop. Where property does not have a curbstop connected to the Village waterworks system, the property owner shall give notice to the Village. The Village will work with the property owner to have a curbstop installed, full cost of installation will be charged to the property owner.

29. Placement of curbstops connected to the Village waterworks system are the responsibility of the land owner. If a land owner is unsure if they have a curbstop connected to the Village waterworks system and water needs to be shut off for any reason, the property owner is responsible for the full cost to locate the curbstop or to trench down to find the main line and have a curbstop installed.

30. There will only be one service connected to any residence within the Village of Macoun.

31. No person, other than Approved Contractors will be allowed to dig, trench and connect water and sewer lines, within the Village.

32. When, in the opinion of the administrative authority or local governing authority there is a breach of any provision of this bylaw, a placard prepared and supplied by the Village of Macoun giving notice of this breach may be posted on the premises, facility or property where the breach is found.

a) Any person who, without permission of the administrative authority or local governing authority, take down, cover up, mutilates, defaces or alters the placard posted under this bylaw, is guilty of an offence.

b) The posting of a placard on a premises, facility, or property pursuant to this bylaw shall not relieve the person in default from the possible imposition of a penalty for infringement of this bylaw or from having to carry out the work correcting the breach.

33. If any person fails, neglects or refuses to comply with any provision of this Bylaw within a specified time, the local governing authority may proceed to have the work done that is considers necessary for compliance with the bylaw, and the cost of the work is to be added to, and thereby forms part of the taxes and the land on which the work is done.

34. Every person who fails or neglects or refuses to comply with the provision of this bylaw may be subject to discontinuation of water service from the municipal water system.

35. Every person who contravenes any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction:

a.) In the case of an individual:

(i) for the first offence:

1. to a fine of not more than **\$75,000.00**; and
2. to a further fine of not more than **\$100.00** for each day during which the offence continues; and

(ii) for a second or subsequent offence:

1. to a fine of not more than **\$100,000.00**; and
2. to a further fine of not more than **\$200.00** for each day during which the offence continues; and

b.) in the case of a corporation:

(i) for the first offence:

1. to a fine of not more than **\$100,000.00**; and
2. to a further fine of not more than **\$1,000.00** for each day during which the offence continues; and

(ii) for a second or subsequent offence:

1. to a fine of not more than **\$250,000.00**; and
2. to a further fine of not more than **\$5,000.00** for each day during which the offence continues.

36. That Bylaw No. 01.23 is hereby repealed.

37. This Bylaw will come into force and take effect on the date of final reading.