BYLAW 2020-03

OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF LESSER SLAVE RIVER NO. 124

Being a Bylaw to Provide for and Implement a Rural Address System

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WHEREAS Section 58(1) the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26,* as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), allows a municipality to name roads or areas within its boundaries and to assign a number or other means of identification to the buildings or parcels of land;

AND WHEREAS Section 58(2) of the *Act* allows a municipality to require an owner or occupant of a building or parcel of land to display the identification in a certain manner;

AND WHEREAS the Council of Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124, deems it desirable to put into effect a rural addressing system which can be utilized by emergency service providers and for other purposes such as providing directions for delivery services;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, hereby enacts the following:

1. TITLE

   1.1 This Bylaw shall be known as the "Rural Addressing Bylaw".

2. DEFINITIONS

   2.1 In this Bylaw:

   (a) "Chief Administrative Officer" shall mean the Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124.
   (b) "Community Peace Officer" means a person employed as a Community Peace Officer by the Municipality.
   (c) "Lot Sign" shall mean the lot number in a condominium plan, RV park or campground at a rural address.
   (d) "Municipality" means Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124
   (e) "Occupant" means a person residing at a property and shall include both an owner and person(s) renting or leasing the property.
   (f) "Owner" means in the case of land, any person who is registered under the *Land Titles Act* as the owner of land, or in the case of property other than land, any person who is in lawful possession thereof.
   (g) "Parcel of Land" means the aggregate of the one or more areas of land described in a certificate of title or described in a certificate of title by reference to a plan filed or registered in a land titles office, or a lease property under the *Public Lands Act* or a lease disposition parcel under the *Responsible Energy Development Act Chapter R-17.3*.
   (h) "Public Road" means land shown as a road plan of survey that has been filed or registered in a land titles office, used as a public road and includes a bridge forming part of a public road and any structure incidental to a public road.
   (i) "Primary Access" means the main access to a Parcel of Land as identified by the Municipality.
   (j) "Rural Address" is the address assigned by the Municipality which identifies a parcel of land with a structure located on it.
   (k) "Structure" means a residential, commercial, industrial, farm or recreational structure, or any other inhabited structure, that may be constructed or placed on a parcel of land.

3. EXEMPTIONS

3.1 Parcels of Land identified by the Council of the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124, are exempt from this Bylaw.

3.2 Oil and gas industry sites regulated by the Alberta Energy Regulator/*Responsible Energy Development Act Chapter R-17.3* are exempt from this Bylaw unless:

(a) The Owner or Occupant of the site requests to have a Rural Address assigned by the Municipality, or
(b) The site is occupied by employees or agents as a place of employment or business.

4. RURAL ADDRESS ASSIGNMENT

4.1 All Parcels of Land supporting a Structure and having a Primary Access onto a Public Road shall be assigned a Rural Address by the Municipality.

5. ADDRESSING METHODOLOGY

5.1 Municipal addresses are calculated based on the *Alberta Municipal Affairs Addressing Project, December 2004: Addressing Guidelines* shown in Schedule 1.

5.2 Some areas have been designated civic addresses as shown in Schedule 3.

6. SIGNAGE

6.1 Each Parcel of Land having a Primary Access onto a Public Road that has been assigned a Rural Address shall be posted with a Rural Address Sign in accordance with the provisions of this Bylaw and Schedule 2 attached hereto.

6.2 The costs associated with the supply and installation of Rural Address Signs on a Parcel of Land that has been assigned a Rural Address on or prior to June 12, 2019 shall be borne by the Municipal District.

6.3 The costs associated with the supply and installation of Rural Address Signs on a Parcel of Land that has been assigned a Rural Address after June 12, 2019 shall be borne by the Owner or Occupant.

6.4 The Owner or Occupant shall be responsible for all costs associated with the maintenance and replacement of Rural Address Signs.

6.5 The costs associated with the supply, installation, maintenance and replacement of Rural Address Signs, Lot Signs, Subdivision Signs and Subdivision Street Signs on a Parcel of Land in a Condominium Plan shall be borne by the Owner, Occupant or condominium association.

6.6 The costs associated with the supply, installation, maintenance and replacement of Rural Address Signs, Lot Signs, RV park or campground signs, RV park or campground street signs for a RV park or campground shall be borne by the Owner, Occupant or association.

6.7 In the event that the municipality through the right of way acquisition causes a change in rural address, the municipality will be responsible for the new signs associated with a new address under the bylaw.

6.8 The signs may be revised from time to time.

7. GENERAL

7.1 Rural Address systems and signs other than those set out in this Bylaw shall not be permitted on Parcels of Land and Structures created after the passing of this Bylaw.

7.2 All Rural Addresses to be displayed pursuant to this Bylaw shall be displayed, at all times, in a conspicuous manner so as to be plainly visible from the adjacent roadway.

7.3 Notwithstanding section 7.1 of this Bylaw, Owners, Occupants or Developers may affix numbers or erect signs of such size and type as the Owner, Occupant or Developer prefers, provided that such numbers and signs meet the requirements of this Bylaw and are approved by the Municipal District in addition to the Rural Address sign for the Parcel of Land.

7.4 Signage directions of Bylaw 2020-03 takes precedence over the *Municipal Servicing Standards 2014.*

8. OFFENCES

8.1 No person shall use a Rural Address Sign, if such sign does not comply with this Bylaw.

8.2 No person shall fail to erect a sign required and described in this Bylaw.

8.3 No person shall deface or remove any sign placed under the authority of this Bylaw.

8.4 No person shall obstruct a sign placed under the authority of this Bylaw with any natural or man-made object whether temporarily or not.

8.5 Should any person contravene Sections 8.1, 8.2, 8.3 or 8.4 of this Bylaw, written notification shall be provided to such person requiring them to correct or remedy the contravention within thirty (30) days of the date of the notification.

8.6 Should any person fail to correct or remedy a contravention of Sections 8.1, 8.2, 8.3 or 8.4 of this Bylaw, after being notified to do so in accordance with Section 8.5 of this Bylaw, the municipality may correct or remedy the contravention and recover any associated costs from such person.

8. 7 Any person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable, on summary conviction, to a specified penalty of $250.

9. ENFORCEMENT

9.1 For the purposes of this Bylaw, a Community Peace Officer may:

(a) Access any Parcel of Land at any time for inspection or enforcement activities regarding matters relating to this Bylaw.
(b) Issue a Violation Ticket to any person who contravenes any section of this Bylaw.

9.2 Where the Municipal District has issued a Violation Ticket to a person for a contravention for this Bylaw, notwithstanding whether or not the fine imposed against the person on the Violation Ticket is paid, the Municipal District may also provide that person with fourteen (14) days within which to comply with the Bylaw. Where a person fails to comply within fourteen (14) days, the Municipal District may issue an additional Violation Ticket.

9.3 Where any person contravenes the same section of this Bylaw twice within a twelve (12) month period, the specified penalty payable in respect of the second contravention shall be $500.

9.4 Where any person contravenes the same section of this Bylaw three or more times within a twelve (12) month period, the specified penalty payable in respect of the third or subsequent contravention shall be $1,000.

10. Bylaw 2015-03 is hereby rescinded.

11. EFFECTIVE DATE

11.1 This Bylaw shall take effect on the day of final passing thereof.

Read a first time this 12th day of February, 2020.

Read a second time this 26th day of February, 2020.

Read a third time and finally passed, this 26th day of February, 2020.

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Chief Administrative Officer