

BY-LAW 26-98

A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNCIL OF PARKLAND COUNTY TO REGULATE AND CONTROL THE USE AND OPERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESERVE LANDS WITHIN PARKLAND COUNTY.

WHEREAS the Council of Parkland County has passed By-law No. 26-98 being a by-law to regulate and control the use and operation of Environmental Reserve Lands within Parkland County in order to insure public safety and natural preservation.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Parkland County, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts:

1. In this By-law:
 - (a) "County" means Parkland County.
 - (b) "Development Officer" means:
 - i) a person appointed as a development officer pursuant to a resolution of Council, or;
 - ii) where a municipal planning commission is authorized to act as a development officer, the municipal planning commission, or;
 - iii) where a municipal planning commission is authorized to act as a development officer, in addition to a person appointed as a development officer, either or both of them;
 - (c) "Environmental Land" means environmental reserve, as defined under the Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta, 1994, and amendments thereto;
 - (d) "Off-highway vehicle" means an off-highway vehicle as defined in the Off-Highway Vehicle Act, 1980, Revised Statutes of Alberta, Chapter 0-4, and amendments thereto;
 - (e) "Peace Officer" means a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and when authorized, a member of the municipal police force, a special constable, a By-law enforcement officer, or a member of the patrol division of the Department of the Solicitor General;
 - (f) "Recreation Department" means the County Recreation Department;
 - (g) "Reserves" means lands which have been dedicated to the County for park purposes during the subdivision process in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta, 1994, and amendments thereto;
 - (h) "Service Vehicle" means a vehicle, as defined in this by-law, used for the purpose of servicing lots within the various subdivisions, with such commodities as fuel, boat gas, propane, fire wood, etc. Service Vehicle also means a vehicle used to pump out sewage holding tanks and septic tanks. Fire trucks, water trucks, delivery trucks, etc., will also fall under this definition;
 - (i) "Vehicle" means a device in, on or by which a person or thing may be transported or drawn on a highway.
2. No person shall deface or in any way disrupt the natural growth of any tree or plant life (except weeds identified in the Weed Control Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1980, Chapter W-6, and amendments thereto) within an environmental reserve.
3. No signage shall be placed or removed from environmental reserves, except as authorized by the County.

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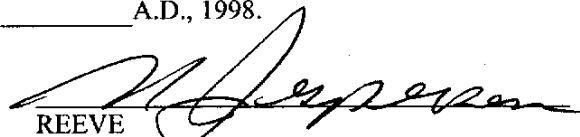
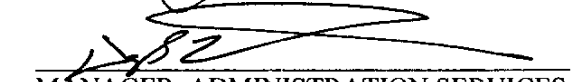
5. No person shall tease, molest or injure any vertebrae animal or throw any substance at or near such animals in an environmental reserve in such a way as causes, or is likely to cause, injury to any such animal.
6. No person shall transport any goods or chattels over, or place and leave chattels upon, any environmental reserve without authorization from the County; and further, any goods and chattels used for personal recreational purposes shall be removed from environmental reserves prior to 11:00 p.m. and shall not be left within environmental reserves overnight except for camping in designated campsites.
7. Fires shall be permitted upon environmental reserves only in approved areas; otherwise, no fires are permitted unless approved by the County.
8. No person, firm, agency or corporation shall advertise, promote or carry on commercial or rental sales within any environmental reserves.
9. The holding of any and all amusements, entertainments, parades and promoted spectator sporting events, where a fee is collected, is prohibited within environmental reserves without first obtaining authorization from the development officer.
10. No person shall operate, drive or abandon a vehicle or off-highway vehicle except for a service vehicle within or upon any environmental reserve.
11. No person shall conduct any digging, excavation, or building operations within or upon any environmental reserve.
12. The provisions of this By-law do not apply to actions and operations of the County, or persons acting upon the instructions of the County in respect to any activities with environmental reserves.
13. Penalties:

A person who contravenes any provision of this By-law either by doing something which he is prohibited from doing or failing to do something which he is required to do is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine, not in excess of \$2,500, exclusive of costs; or, in default of payment of the fine and costs of the committal, to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or until such fine and costs are sooner paid.

READ A FIRST TIME this 11th day of June A.D., 1998.

READ A SECOND TIME this 11th day of August A.D., 1998.

READ A THIRD TIME by unanimous consent of the Councillors present and finally passed this 11th day of August A.D., 1998.


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MANAGER, ADMINISTRATION SERVICES