

BYLAW NO. 11/04

Animal Control Bylaw

A BYLAW of the Village of Maryfield, in the Province of Saskatchewan, to prohibit the keeping of dangerous dogs within the Village of Maryfield.

THE COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF MARYFIELD IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. For purposes of this bylaw the expression:

a. "dangerous dog" shall mean:

- i) any dog without provocation, in a vicious or menacing manner, chased or approached a person or domestic animal in an apparent attitude of attack;
- ii) Any dog having an inclination, tendency or disposition to attack without provocation, to cause injury or to otherwise threaten the safety of persons or domestic animals;
- iii) Any dog which has without provocation, bitten, inflicted injury, assaulted or otherwise attacked a person or domestic animal;
- iv) Any dog owned primarily, or in part, for the purpose of dog fighting or is trained for dog fighting;

but shall not include:

- i) any dog acting in the performance of police work;
- ii) any dog working as a guard dog on commercial property;
 - securely enclosed on the property by a fence or other barrier sufficient to prevent the escape of the dog and the entry of children of tender years;
 - defending that property against a person who was committing an offence.

b. "owner" includes:

- i) a person who keeps, possesses or harbors a dog;
- ii) the person responsible for the custody of a minor where the minor is the owner of a dog, but does not include;
- iii) a veterinarian registered in accordance to *The Veterinarians Act, 1987*, who is keeping or harboring a dog for the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of a disease or injury;
- iv) an urban or rural municipality, the Saskatchewan Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to animals, a local Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or a Humane Society operating pursuant to The Animal Protection Act, with respect to an animal shelter or impoundment facility operated by any of them.

c. "provocation" means an act done intentionally for the purpose of provoking a dog.

2. No owner shall keep, possess, or harbor a dangerous dog with the Village of Maryfield.

3. Any owner found guilty of an infraction of this bylaw shall be liable to a penalty of \$250.00 per occurrence, and should a person who harbors a "dangerous dog" not remove the dog by a given date, an additional penalty of \$25.00 per day shall be applied to the original \$250.00 penalty.

4. An owner may voluntarily pay the penalty as specified in this bylaw to the Village of Maryfield upon being serviced with summons within the time specified in the summons, and upon payment shall not be liable to prosecution under this bylaw.

5. This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the date of the final passing thereof.



VILLAGE OF MARYFIELD

OPR/Kit
Mayor

W. Wall
Administrator

Read a first time this 23rd day of February, 2011.

Read a second time this 23rd day of February, 2011.

Read a Third and Final Time, approved and adopted for use this 23rd day of February, 2011.