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GRASSY NARROWS FIRST NATION DOG CONTROL BY-LAW

BY-LAW NO. 01-2013

OF THE GRASSY NARROWS FIRST NATION

A BY-LAW REGULATING DOGS

ON THE GRASSY NARROWS RESERVE

This by-law may be cited as the "Grassy Narrows Dog Control By-law".

The Council of Grassy Narrows First Nation at a Council meeting held this 28th day of October, 2013, hereby enacts By-law No. 01-2013 to provide for the regulation and control of dogs within the boundaries of the Grassy Narrows First Nation.

Whereas, paragraphs (a), (e) and (r) of Section 81 of the *Indian Act* empowers the Council of Grassy Narrows First Nation to make by-laws to provide for the health of residents on the Reserve and to prevent the spreading of contagious and infectious diseases and the imposition of a penalty for a violation thereof, and

Whereas, it is deemed to be expedient to provide for the regulation and control of dogs, and for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of the Grassy Narrows First Nation.

Now therefore, the Council of the Grassy Narrows First Nation enacts as a by-law thereof, the following:

1. In this by-law,
 - (a) "Council" means the Council, as defined in the Indian Act of the Grassy Narrows First Nation.
 - (b) "Reserve" means the tract of land set apart by Her Majesty within the definition of the Indian Act, for the use and benefit of the Grassy Narrows First Nation known as the Grassy Narrows First Nation Reserve.
 - (c) "Officer" means Dog Control Officer (DCO).
2. No household shall possess more than 3 dogs at any one time.
3. All stray dogs are to be claimed and taken care of by the rightful owner; either by:
 - (a) tying up the dog;
 - (b) making arrangements to have the dog confined.
4. All dog owners are to ensure that their dogs are under their control at all times.
5. No person shall ill-treat or neglect their dog.
6. Any dog that is suspected to have an infectious ailment shall be destroyed.
7. The Council may at any time prohibit the keeping of a dog within any area of the reserve, and may, from time to time, establish zones for the prohibition or restrictions of dogs.
8. The Council may establish the position or designate a person or persons to be a "Dog Control Officer" (DCO) to enforce the provisions of this by-law.
9. All owners of a dog shall be required to obtain from the Band Office a registration tag. This tag must be worn by each dog at all times. The annual registration fee for the first animal shall be \$15 per annum; the second animal shall be \$25 per annum; and the third animal shall be \$30 per annum.
10. The Council or a Dog Control Officer (DCO) is authorized to the capture and impound a dog found to be running at large.
 - (a) In order to redeem an impounded dog, its owner must prove to the DCO they are the owner of the dog, pay all fees and costs associated with the impoundment of the dog and if the dog is not registered, register and pay the registration fee for the dog.

- (b) if an impounded dog is not claimed by its owner within a reasonable time the DCO is authorized to dispose of the dog in a manner he or she deems appropriate.
11. Where, in the opinion of the DCO, a dog impounded under this section is injured, diseased or should be euthanized without delay for humane reasons or for reasons of health or safety, the DCO shall dispose of the dog in a manner he or she deems appropriate.
 12. Where a DCO, after reasonable effort, is unable to capture and impound a dog that is running at large contrary to the provisions of this by-law, he may dispose of the dog in a manner he or she deems appropriate.
 13. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$1000.00 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 30 days, or both in accordance with section 81(1)(r) of the Indian Act.
 14. The Grassy Narrows First Nation Dog By-Law passed January 26, 1995, which came into force May 15, 1995 is hereby repealed.

Be it known that this by-law is hereby enacted by the Council of the Grassy Narrows First Nation at a duly convened meeting of the Council dated on the 28th day of October, 2013.



Chief



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Being the majority of those members of the Council of the Grassy Narrows First Nation present at the aforesaid meeting of the Council.