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BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION RÉSOLUTION DE CONSEIL DE BANDE

Note: The words "from our Band funds" "capital" or "revenue", whichever is the case, must appear in all resolutions requesting expenditures from Band Funds.
NOTA: Les mots "des fonds de notre bande" "capital" ou "revenu" selon le cas doivent paraître dans toutes résolutions portant sur des dépenses à même les fonds des bandes.

The council of the Le conseil de				MINISTIKWAN LAKE CREE NATION		Cash free balance - Solde disponible		
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DO HEREBY RESOLVE:
DÉCIDE, PAR LES PRÉSENTES:

Adoption of Dangerous Dog Prohibition Bylaw

WHEREAS the Council of Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation deems it necessary to protect the health and safety of its residents and to prevent harm from dangerous dogs on reserve lands;

AND WHEREAS section 81(1)(a), (c), and (d) of the Indian Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. I-5 empowers Council to make bylaws respecting the health of residents on the reserve, the prevention of disorderly conduct and nuisances, and the regulation and prohibition of the keeping of animals;

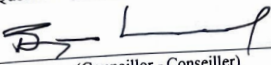
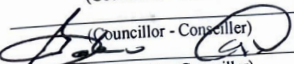
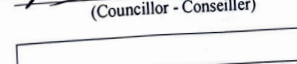
AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed and supports the implementation of the proposed Ministikwan Dangerous Dog Prohibition Bylaw, 2025;

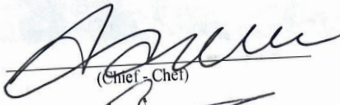
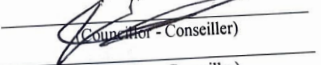
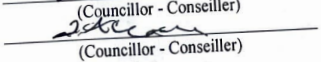
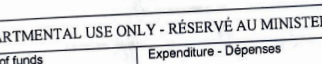
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation hereby enacts and adopts the Ministikwan Dangerous Dog Prohibition Bylaw, 2025 as a bylaw of the Nation pursuant to the Indian Act;

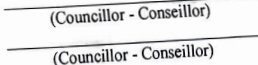

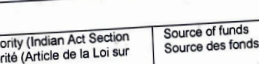
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution and the enacted bylaw shall be submitted to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) – Saskatchewan Region for filing in accordance with the Indian Act;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT this bylaw shall come into full force and effect as of the date of its enactment by Council.

Quorum


(Councillor - Conseiller)

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Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation Dangerous Dog Control Bylaw

Bylaw No. 01/2025

Enacted pursuant to Section 81(1)(a), (c), and (d) of the Indian Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. I-5

WHEREAS:

1. The Council of Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation is committed to protecting the health and safety of all residents, visitors, and animals on reserve lands;
2. The presence of dangerous dogs presents a serious threat to community safety and well-being;
3. The *Indian Act* authorizes Council to enact bylaws to prevent disorderly conduct and nuisances and to control animals;
4. Council wishes to strictly prohibit the presence, ownership, or harbouring of dangerous dogs on the reserve;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council enacts the following bylaw:

1. Short Title

This bylaw may be cited as the Ministikwan Dangerous Dog Bylaw, 2025.

2. Definitions

- “Dangerous Dog” means:
 - any dog that has, without provocation, bitten, attacked, or caused injury to a person or domestic animal;
 - any dog that has demonstrated aggressive behaviour likely to cause harm;
 - any dog trained or kept for the purpose of fighting;
 - any dog previously designated as dangerous by another government, municipality, or authority.
- “Dog” includes any male or female dog of any breed or mix.
- “Owner” means any person who owns, possesses, controls, or harbours a dog.
- “Reserve” or “Reserve Lands” mean, interchangeably, Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation lands.
- “Council” means the duly elected Chief and Council of the Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation.

3. Prohibition of Dangerous Dogs

- (a) Strict Prohibition: No person shall own, keep, harbour, bring onto, or permit a Dangerous Dog to be on Reserve Lands for any purpose, at any time.
- (b) Any Dog declared or identified as dangerous by Council or an Animal Control Officer shall be removed from the Reserve within 48 hours of notice being given.

- (c) If a Dangerous Dog is not removed within the required time, it may be seized and removed by a designated officer at the owner's expense.
- (d) In exceptional cases where a Dangerous Dog presents an immediate risk, it may be seized and destroyed without notice, in accordance with Section 6.

4. Identification and Enforcement

- (a) Council may designate Animal Control Officers or Peace Officers to enforce this bylaw.
- (b) A Dangerous Dog may be identified through:
 - direct observation by an officer;
 - credible complaints or witness statements;
 - veterinary or municipal records;
 - past history of aggression or attacks.
- (c) Officers may enter property to investigate complaints and seize Dogs when authorized under this bylaw.

5. Penalties

- (a) Any person found to be in possession or control of a Dangerous Dog on reserve lands is guilty of an offence.
- (b) Penalties include:
 - a fine of up to \$1,000 per offence;
 - removal of the Dog from the reserve;
 - reimbursement of enforcement costs (including costs associated with the destruction of a dangerous dog as outlined in Section 6.);
 - a ban on possessing Dogs (Dangerous Dogs and Non-Dangerous Dogs) on reserve for up to 5 years; and
 - imprisonment up to 30 days.
- (c) Each day a Dangerous Dog remains on the reserve after notice constitutes a separate offence.

6. Destruction of Dangerous Dogs

- (a) Where a Dangerous Dog poses a serious and immediate threat to life, safety, or property, Council or its designate may order the humane destruction of the Dog without notice.
- (b) In other cases, written notice of intent to destroy the Dog must be given to the owner, allowing 48 hours to respond or remove the Dog.

- (c) The owner may appeal the destruction order within 48 hours of receiving notice. Council will review and decide the appeal within 5 working days.
- (d) To the extent possible in light of the specific circumstances, destruction will be carried out humanely by a qualified veterinarian or animal control professional.

7. Appeals

- (a) Any designation or order under this bylaw may be appealed in writing to Council within 5 days of notice being received.
- (b) Council may confirm, vary, or revoke the designation or order. All decisions of Council are final and binding and may not be further appealed.

8. General Provisions

- (a) This bylaw applies to all persons and Dogs on Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation reserve lands.
- (b) Nothing in this bylaw shall prevent immediate action to protect human safety, including the seizure or destruction of a Dangerous Dog.
- (c) All provisions are severable. If any section is found invalid, the remainder shall remain in effect.
- (d) This bylaw comes into force on the date it is passed by Council.

ENACTED this 7th day of July, 2025, by the Council of Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation.