

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE
BYLAW NO. 08-2012**

**BEING A BYLAW TO CONTROL AND REGULATE THE TREATMENT AND
DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE IN THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE.**

WHEREAS, the Council of the Summer Village of Island Lake may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting the safety, health, welfare and the protection of people and property; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Summer Village of Island Lake is concerned that non-conforming Sewage treatment and disposal systems, including the use of outdoor Privies, may adversely affect water quality thereby posing a threat to the safety, health and welfare of residents and properties within the community, including the negative affects it may have on the water quality of Island Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Summer Village of Island Lake, for the safety, health, welfare and protection of the residents and property, wishes to pass a by-law to regulate the treatment and disposal of sewage generated on properties within the Summer Village on terms set out in this by-law;

AND WHEREAS the council of the Summer Village of Island Lake wishes to clarify the definitions and requirements as set out in the original bylaw number 03-2008;

NOW THEREFORE, THE Municipal Council of the Summer Village of Island Lake, in Council, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

Definitions:

In this bylaw:

1. "Approved system" shall mean a Private sewage disposal or treatment system which is installed, maintained and inspected as required to ensure compliance with the provisions set out by Council of the Summer Village of Island Lake.
 - 1.1. Approved Systems installations include but are not limited to properly maintained;
 - 1.1.1. plastic, cement and fiberglass Buriable Holding tank greater than 750 Gallons
 - 1.1.2. functioning absorption field subject to inspection and sampling of treated effluent in accordance with the Alberta Private Sewage System Standard of Practice.
 - 1.1.3. Existing Privy;
 - 1.1.3.1. any of 1.1.1
 - 1.1.1.1. plastic, cement and fiberglass Buriable Holding tank greater than 200 Gallon.

- 1.1.1.2. plastic, cement and fiberglass buried Holding tanks greater than 175 Liters; requires visual inspection and proof of pump out within 6 months.
- 1.1.2. Retro-fit Existing Privy;
 - 1.1.2.1. any of 1.1.1
 - 1.1.2.2. new plastic, cement and fiberglass Buriable Holding tank greater than 200 Gallons
 - 1.1.2.3. existing metal culvert with new plastic cylinder tank installed. Cylinder tank must be watertight and greater than 175 liters and ensure all Sewage is contained in tank; requires visual inspection
- 1.1.3. Decommission of Existing Privy;
 - 1.1.3.1. ground hole filled in with dirt or rock; and
 - 1.1.3.2. seat sealed off by covering with a solid structure ; or
 - 1.1.3.3. complete removal of the facility
- 1.2. Not Approved systems and non-compliant installations include but are not limited to;
 - 1.2.1. any system found to be defective, leaking, non-functional and in a state of disrepair
 - 1.2.2. any system not watertight
 - 1.2.3. any system unable to prove pump out within 6 months
 - 1.2.4. dirt holes
 - 1.2.5. buried metal burials
 - 1.2.6. metal culvert with cement bottom
 - 1.2.7. plastic culvert with cement bottom
 - 1.2.8. wood containers
- 2. "Safety codes officer" means a person appointed pursuant to section 14 of the Safety Codes Act performing any or all of the duties of a safety codes officer.
- 3. "Buriable" shall mean designed to buried and be approved equipment that is certified by an accredited testing agency as meeting or exceeding the requirements of CAN/CSA B66, "Design, material, and manufacturing requirements for prefabricated septic tanks and sewage holding tanks" A certified holding tank will have a label permanently affixed to the tank showing the standard it was certified to an the name of the certifying body. It must indicate it was certified to the CAN/CSA-B66 standard.
- 4. "Owner" shall mean the person or persons registered as the owner or owners of a parcel of land within the Summer Village of Island Lake;
- 5. "Residential purposes" shall mean the use of a property as a home, recreation, abode or place where an individual or individuals inhabit a specific location for more than three days per year;
- 6. "Commercial purposes" shall mean use of property which services the resource, agricultural based business and includes retail and wholesale sale and services,

restaurants, offices, financial and entertainment services, manufacturing, trailer parks, campgrounds and the like.

7. "Private sewage disposal system" means an Approved system for the treatment and disposal of Sewage, including a Holding tank or septic tank and absorption field, that is not connected to a municipal sewage disposal system;
8. "Privy" shall mean a physical structure, not attached to the principal dwelling, used for the purpose of Sewage disposal.
9. "Holding tank" means an approved watertight tank designed to retain Sewage, Greywater or effluent until transferred into mobile equipment for disposal in a provincially approved manner elsewhere.
10. "Sewage" shall mean human excreta, or the water-carried wastes from bathing, laundering, dishwashing, or food processing including Greywater.
11. "Greywater" is wastewater generated from domestic activities such as laundry, dishwashing, cooking, washing and bathing.

Requirements:

1. On or before December 31, 2011, an Approved system shall be installed and maintained on all properties which are being used for Residential, recreational or Commercial purposes within the Summer Village of Island Lake. If a Privy is maintained on a property it shall have a watertight pump-out Holding tank with a capacity of at least 175 liters.
2. Where a recreational vehicle is to be maintained on a property for more than 21 consecutive days for Residential purpose. The recreational vehicle shall be directly connected to an Approved system.
3. At such time as a municipal Sewage system becomes available to properties served by a Private wastewater disposal system, a direct connection shall be made to the municipal sewer. All private Holding and septic tanks, cesspools or similar waste water disposal systems shall be abandoned in a provincially approved manner.
4. A bylaw enforcement officer or any designated Safety codes officer of the Summer Village of Island Lake shall, subject to compliance with the requirements of Sections 542 and 543 of the Municipal Government Act (Alberta) R.S.A., 2000, M-26, be entitled to enter any lands within the Summer Village for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to verify compliance with this bylaw.

Penalties:

1. Any Owner of a parcel of land which contravenes this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable:
 - (a) for the first offence, to a maximum fine of \$500.00;
 - (b) for the second offence, to a maximum fine of \$1,000.00 and

- (c) for the third and each subsequent offence, to a maximum fine of \$2,500.00.

Paramountcy (Overriding Principles)

1. If there is any discrepancy between this bylaw and another enactment or regulation under a statute of Alberta, the other enactment or regulation prevails over this bylaw.

That Bylaw 03-2008 is hereby repealed

THIS BYLAW SHALL COME INTO FORCE AND EFFECT ON THE DATE OF ITS FINAL READING.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 22nd DAY OF August 2012.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 22nd DAY OF August 2012.

MOVED by mayor Yontz that consideration be given to third reading at this meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME THIS 22nd DAY OF August 2012.



Mayor



Municipal Administrator