

Rural Municipality of Heart's Hill No. 352

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4.9 AGREEMENTS and BYLAWS

DEFINITION:

Agreements: a negotiated and legally binding arrangement between parties as to a course of action
Bylaw: a rule or law established by the Municipality to regulate itself, grants rights to authority, and long term obligations and commitments

POLICY:

The Municipality may enter into an Agreement generally when dealing with one issue and one party, such as An Agreement for Sale. Agreements are ratified by resolution of Council and attached to minutes. Generally, they are short term and time sensitive. Agreements may be renewed or renegotiated at expiration.

The Municipality maybe compelled to establish a bylaw by the Municipalities Act, generated when several parties are involved and there are long term obligations and commitments placed upon each party. A bylaw may be required to give the Municipality authority to enter into an Agreement in certain instances. For a bylaw to become Municipal law, it must receive three readings, and the original shall be attached to the minutes. A certified copy of the bylaw shall be placed in the Bylaw Register. Once a bylaw comes into effect, it remains law unless it expires via a stated time clause, or repealed by bylaw. A bylaw maybe also be amended by bylaw.

RATIONALE:

The Municipality's Agreements and Bylaws state and serve as written rules and records of obligations and commitments the Municipality has agreed to operate by and honor. They help create order and consistency to the management and operation of the Municipality. Often there are monetary commitments requiring budgetary incorporation.

AUTHORITY:

The Municipalities Act: