

# *Rural Municipality of Heart's Hill No. 352*

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## **6.15 HAY CUTTING - DITCH**

### ***DEFINITION:***

### ***POLICY:***

The Municipality allows for the salvaging of hay on Municipal road allowances with the understanding that Municipal rights and privileges for road maintenance or reconstruction will take precedence, should conflict arise.

Prior to July 15<sup>th</sup>, the adjacent landowner or lessee, if land is rented, has the first option to salvage hay along Municipal roads. Other persons may seek permission from the adjacent landowner or lessee to salvage hay.

After July 15<sup>th</sup>, any person may salvage hay along Municipal roads without the permission of the adjacent landowner or lessee, provided the adjacent landowner or lessee has not begun salvage operations.

Bales must be at least eight (8) meters from the edge of the roadway and removed from the right of way by August 15<sup>th</sup>.

The safety of all parties at all times on roadways is essential and a shared responsibility.

### ***RATIONALE:***

Many landowners depend on ditch hay for their livestock operation. It is also important for the Municipality to have ditches mowed before it snows. Time lines have been developed to reduce misunderstandings between the various parties and to ensure the maintenance crew has sufficient time to mow all remaining ditches before winter.

### ***AUTHORITY:***

Bylaw 5/06: A Bylaw to Establish a Haying Policy Pursuant To Section 8(1)(g) of the Municipalities Act  
The Municipalities Act, 2006: 12(1)