

Animal Control

BYLAW NO. 03-2011

A BYLAW TO PROHIBIT ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE.

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Turtle River No. 469 in the Province of Saskatchewan enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be referenced as the "Animal Control Bylaw"
2. For the purpose of this bylaw, the expression:
 - (a) "dogs" shall mean members of the canis genus species;
 - (b) "administrator" shall mean the administrator of the municipality;
 - (c) "council" shall mean the council of the municipality;
 - (d) "designated officer" shall mean that person designated by council of the municipality;
 - (e) "municipality" shall mean the Rural Municipality of Turtle River No.469;
 - (f) "pound keeper" shall mean the person appointed as pound keeper by the council of the municipality;
 - (g) "dog catcher" shall mean
 - (1) the person appointed by the council; or
 - (2) any organization or company which has an agreement with the Rural Municipality and/or is retained by the Rural Municipality to catch and control dogs and for the enforcement of the provisions of this Bylaw.
 - (h) "pound" shall mean such premises and facilities as may be designated by council, from time to time, as the pound;
 - (i) (1) Alternative description: "running at large" shall mean off the premises and boundaries of the land occupied by the owner, possessor or harbourer or beyond the boundaries of an lands where the dog may be with the permission of the owner or occupier of the lands and is not under control by being tied or secured to a leash or chain or other similar restraining device not exceeding two meters in length.
 - (2) The dog catcher, or any other person authorized by the council, may seize, capture and impound any dog running at large contrary to the Provisions of this Bylaw.
 - (3) Whenever any dog is impounded, the dog catcher shall as soon as reasonable, notify the owner in person or by telephone. If the owner is unknown, a notice shall be posted in the Rural Municipality of Turtle River office.
3. No dog shall run at large in the Municipality.
4. A person who owns, possesses or harbours a dog found running at large in the Municipality shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this bylaw.
5. Any person may take any dog found running at large contrary to the provisions of this bylaw to the municipal pound, where it shall be kept for five (5) days which shall include statutory holidays and weekends unless the owner, possessor or harbourer redeems the animal by paying at the Administration office a fine in the amount of \$100.00 in addition to the sum of \$50.00 per day or partial day for the care and keep of each animal.
6. The designated municipal officer (administrator, pound keeper) may sell any animal which is not redeemed within the period of time noted in section 5 for a sum of not less than the amount required to redeem the dog under section 5.

7. The designated municipal official (administrator, pound keeper etc.) or person designated by the clerk/pound keeper etc. may destroy any dog, in the most humane manner possible, which has not been redeemed within the period of time noted in section 5.
8. A person who contravenes of any of the provisions of this bylaw shall be guilty of an offence and upon summary of conviction, shall be liable to a maximum penalty of \$600.00 for the first offence and an additional \$100.00 applied for each subsequent offence.
9. That Bylaw #01/2010 passed on the 9th day of February, 2010 is hereby repealed.



Louis R. McCaffrey
Reeve

Nicole Collin
Administrator

Certified a true copy of Bylaw 03-2011 adopted by Council
this 13th day of September, 2011.

Louis R. McCaffrey
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