

YELLOWHEAD COUNTY

BYLAW NO. 29.06

*BEING A BYLAW OF YELLOWHEAD COUNTY,
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA,
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A RURAL ADDRESSING SYSTEM.*

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government Act , R.S.A., 2000 c. M-26, as amended provides that Council of a municipality may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property and;

WHEREAS, it is deemed desirable to put into effect a rural addressing system which can be utilized by emergency service providers and for other purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of Yellowhead County, duly assembled, and pursuant to the authority conferred upon it by the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, with amendments thereto, enacts as follows:

1. Definitions

- a) **"County"** shall mean Yellowhead County and the area contained within it's boundaries as the context requires.
- b) **"Council"** shall mean the Council for Yellowhead County.
- c) **"Property Owner"** shall mean any person who is registered under the Land Titles Act as the owner of the land or who is recorded as the owner of the property on the assessment roll of the County or a person who has purchased or otherwise acquired the land, whether he has purchased or otherwise acquired the land directly from the owner or from another purchaser, and has not become the registered owner thereof.
- d) **"Recreational Property"** shall mean properties or buildings not occupied or used on a permanent basis. Some examples being summer cottages, garages or barns on land with no residences.
- e) **"Violation Tag"** shall mean a tag or similar document used by the County pursuant to the Municipal Government Act R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26, as amended.
- f) **"Violation Ticket"** shall mean a ticket issued pursuant to Part II of the Provincial Offences Procedures Act, R.S.A. 2000, c.P-34 amended, and Regulations there under.
- g) **"Bylaw Officer"** shall mean a Special Constable or any other person so authorized to act on behalf of the Council of Yellowhead County.
- h) In this bylaw, whenever a male gender is specified, it shall be interpreted as meaning both male and female as applicable.

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2. That all parcels of land supporting residential, commercial and industrial development with a primary access onto a developed public road right of way will be assigned a rural address by Yellowhead County and such address must be posted, with the exception of oil and gas industry as regulated by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board, in the manner deemed most appropriate by the Chief Administrative Officer or designate.
 3. That the cost associated with placement of signage at the primary access to lands supporting residential, commercial and industrial development and the cost of such sign, will be expended from the general revenues of Yellowhead County until September 30, 2006.
 4. That the cost associated with the placement and provision of a rural address sign for residential, commercial and industrial development taking place after October 1, 2006, shall be the responsibility of the property owner or occupant. This cost will be collected at the Development Permit Stage, pursuant to the Set Development and Subdivision Fees Bylaw.
 5. That the cost associated with the placement and provision of a subdivision sign(s), including individual lot signs in developments approved after October 1, 2006, shall be the responsibility of the developer. This cost will be collected at the Subdivision Stage, pursuant to the Set Development and Subdivision Fees Bylaw.
 6. Should a landowner request a rural address sign where otherwise not required or provided for by this bylaw(e.g. recreational property with no residence), the landowner shall be responsible for costs of such signage pursuant to the fees bylaw. The signs will be installed during regularly scheduled sign installation programs as per section 16 of this bylaw.
 7. A subdivision consisting of more than 10 lots and may have more than one simple road plan will receive:
 - 1) Large Subdivision Plan Sign.
 - 2) Individual Lot Signs for each lot.

A subdivision consisting of 10 or less lots and having a simple road plan will receive:

- 1) Small Subdivision Sign.
- 2) Individual Lot Signs for each lot.

A subdivision requiring no subdivision plan signs and individual lot signs must fall into the grid system and have their own access to a township or range road. Each lot will receive their own individual Rural Address sign.

As per Schedule "B"

8. The cost for the new signs effective October 1, 2006 will be as set out in the Set Development and Subdivision Fees Bylaw 30.01.
9. The signs will be white reflectorized letters placed on a medium blue background. Where practical signs should be installed 1m outside property lines. If possible, signs should be 6m on the right side of the driveway as entering the property, and far enough away from the shoulder to minimize conflict with snow removal equipment and wide vehicles. The sign should be a

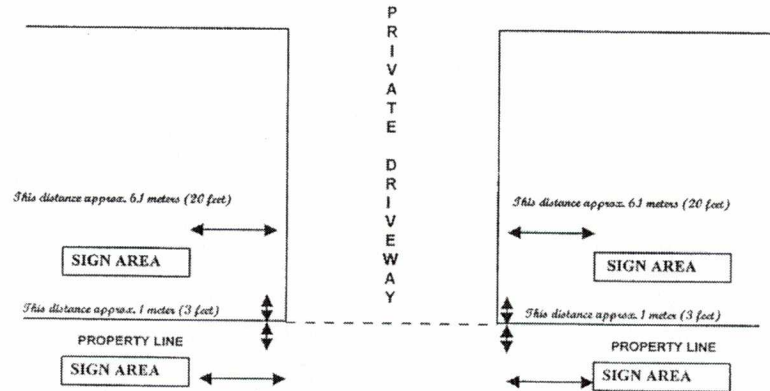
minimum of 3m above natural ground level in a location which is conspicuous from a traveled roadway. See Schedule "A"

10. The cost and responsibility for the replacement of signs in a no fault accident, like in the case of a motor vehicle crash, shall be that of the Yellowhead County and shall be performed to the standards and specifications of Yellowhead County. The property owner is responsible for notifying Yellowhead County of damaged or missing rural addressing signs.
11. Once the rural address sign is installed it is the property owner's responsibility to maintain the area around the sign and keep it free of obstructions and legible from the road.
12. No residential, commercial, or industrial development shall continue to be addressed with a number if that number is not in accordance with the rural addressing system of Yellowhead County. Any such address signage shall be removed by the landowner.
13. No person shall remove, deface, damage or destroy any sign placed under the authority of this Bylaw. Any person caught removing, defacing, damaging, or destroying a rural addressing sign will be subject to a fine under Schedule "C".
14. Any person who contravenes any section of this bylaw is guilty of an offense and is liable to a penalty as set out in Schedule "C" herein. A second offense shall be defined as occurring within one calendar year of the first offense and a third offense shall be defined as occurring within one calendar year of the second offense.
 - a) Under no circumstances shall any person contravening any provision of this bylaw be subject to a penalty of imprisonment.
 - b) A Bylaw Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a violation tag to any person who the Bylaw Officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this bylaw.
 - c) A violation tag shall be served upon a person, personally, or in the case of a corporation, by serving the violation tag personally upon the manager, secretary, other executive officer or person apparently in charge of a branch office, or by mailing a copy to a person by registered mail.
 - d) The violation tag shall be in the form approved by the Chief Administrative Officer and shall state:
 - i.) The name of the person;
 - ii.) The offense;
 - iii.) The appropriate specified penalty in lieu of prosecution as set out in Schedule "C";
 - iv.) That the penalty shall be paid within (30) days of the issuance of the violation tag, or a violation ticket may be issued against the person seeking the appropriate penalty or prosecution as set out in schedule "C"; and
 - v.) Any other information as may be required by the Chief Administrative Officer or Council.

Schedule 'A'

SIGNAGE AT PRIMARY ACCESS TO RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

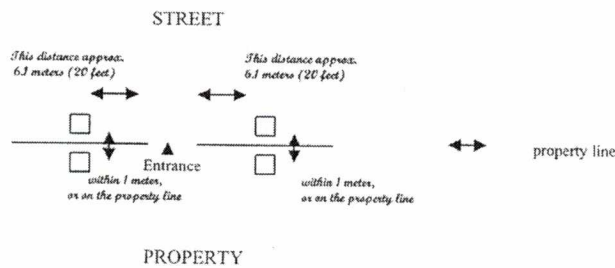
MUNICIPAL ROADWAY (Township, Range Road or Street)



Signs shall be placed within 6.1 meters (20 feet) on either side of the shoulder of the driveway (approach) and located 1 meter (3.3 feet) from the property boundary either within the property boundary or within the road right-of-way boundary. The sign shall be no lower than 1 meter (3.3 feet) from ground level (measured from bottom of sign) and no higher than 2 meters (6.6 feet) from ground level (measured from top of sign).

SUBDIVISIONS & HAMLETS – LOT SIGNS

Lot signs within subdivisions and hamlets must be placed either on the property line or 1 meter (3.3 feet) either side of the property line and within 6.1 meters (20 feet) on either side of the entrance to the property. In the case of a building which fronts the street within one meter (3.3 feet), the sign may be placed on the building. The sign shall be no lower than 1 meter (3.3 feet) from ground level (measured from bottom of sign) and no higher than 2 meters (6.6 feet) from ground level (measured from top of sign).



Schedule "B"



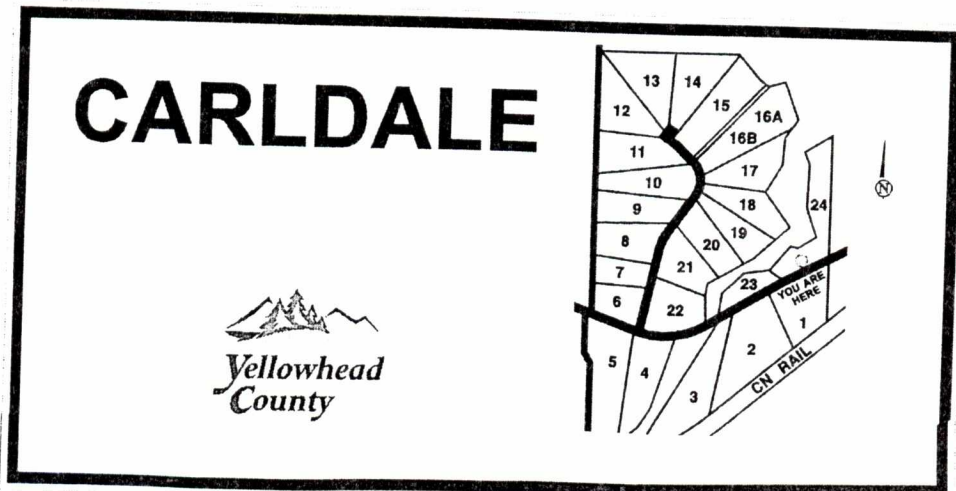
Individual Lot Sign



Rural Address Sign



Small Subdivision Sign



Large Subdivision Sign

Schedule "C"

A person issued a violation tag or violation ticket pursuant to this bylaw shall be subject to the following fines:

First Offense	\$ 60.00
Second Offense	\$120.00
Third Offense	\$400.00

Where Yellowhead County has issued a violation tag to a person for a contravention of this bylaw, notwithstanding whether or not the fine imposed against that person on that violation tag is paid, Yellowhead County may also provide that person with fourteen (14) days within which to comply with the bylaw. Where a person fails to comply with the bylaw within the time period provided within the violation tag, Yellowhead County may issue a violation ticket pursuant to Part II of the Provincial Offences Procedures Act, Statutes of Alberta 2000, P-34, as amended, or repealed or replaced from time to time.

e) Where a violation tag is issued, pursuant to this bylaw, the person to whom the violation tag is issued may, in lieu of being prosecuted for the offense, pay to Yellowhead County the specified penalty in lieu of prosecution indicated in the violation tag.

15. In those cases where a violation tag has been issued and if the specified penalty in lieu of prosecution on the violation tag has not been paid within the prescribed time, then a Bylaw Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a summons pursuant to Part II of the Provincial Offenses Procedure Act.

a) Notwithstanding Section 14 of this bylaw, a Bylaw Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to immediately issue a violation ticket to any person who the Bylaw Officer has reasonable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this bylaw.

16. Yellowhead County will install all signs for new developments in as timely manner as possible. Keeping in mind the timetable and restrictions from the manufacturer and supplier of the signs. Also taking in to account time to get all sites an Alberta-One-Call for safety.

17. This Bylaw rescinds Bylaw No. 7.04.

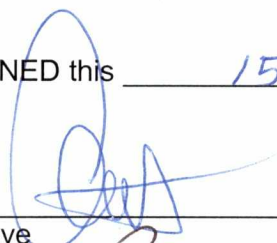
18. This bylaw comes into force at the beginning of the day that it is passed in accordance with Section 189 of the Municipal Government Act, Being Chapter M-26, R.S.A., 2000.

READ a first time this 15 day of AUGUST, A.D., 2006.


READ a second time this 15 day of AUGUST, A.D., 2006.

READ a third time this 15 day of AUGUST, A.D., 2006.

SIGNED this 15 day of AUGUST, A.D., 2006.



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Chief Administrative Officer