

# LAMONT COUNTY

## BYLAW NO. 694/09

BEING A BYLAW OF LAMONT 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 Lamont 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 Lamont County and the area contained within its boundaries as the context requires.
- b. **“Council”** shall mean the Council for Lamont 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 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. **“Designated Officer”** shall mean Chief Administrative Officer or any other person so authorized to act on behalf of the Council of Lamont County.
- h. In this bylaw, whenever a male gender is specified, it shall be interpreted as meaning both male and female as applicable.

2. That all parcels of land supporting primary residential, commercial and industrial development with a primary access onto a developed public road right of way will be assigned a rural address by Lamont 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 costs of such signage, will be expended from the general revenues of Lamont County until May 27, 2009.
4. That the cost associated with the placement and provision of a subdivision sign(s), including individual lot signs in developments approved after May 27, 2009 shall be the responsibility of the developer. This cost will be collected at the Subdivision Stage.
5. Should the landowner request a rural address sign where otherwise not required or provided for by this bylaw (e.g. recreational property), 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 10 of this bylaw.
6. A subdivision signage will consist of:
  - a. Rural Residential/Subdivision Entrance sign
  - b. Individual Lot signs

A subdivision not requiring a subdivision entrance sign or unit tab 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"

7. The cost for the new signs effective May 27, 2009 will be at replacement cost.
8. The signs will be white reflectorized letters placed on a medium blue background:
  - a. Standard Rural Address Signs will measure 60cm x 30 cm.
  - b. Unit Tab Signs will measure 30cm x 20 cm.
  - c. Rural Residential Subdivision or Hamlet Entrance Signs will measure 120 cm x 60 cm.
9. Municipal address signs shall be supplied and installed in accordance with the following general requirements and in accordance with municipal specifications and standards:
  - a. Signs shall be placed at the entrance to the property, off the range road, township road, or subdivision road.
  - b. Signs shall be placed on the right hand side of the driveway as you enter the property, or the next best possible location.

- c. Signs shall be placed one metre off property line (fence line) in the road right-of-way, and one metre off the approach shoulder, or the next best possible location,
  - d. Signs shall be placed such that they are protected from maintenance vehicles such as graders and snowploughs.
  - e. With exception of Subdivision Entrance Signs, the bottom of the sign should be at a minimum of one (1) metre off the ground and a maximum of two (2) metres off the ground. Subdivision Entrance Signs should be placed higher. The bottom of these signs shall be one and a half (1.5) metres.
  - f. Signs shall be kept clear of all obstructions.
  - g. If a permanent structure, such as a tree or fence, is available in the location that adheres to the above standards, the sign can be fixed to the permanent structure rather than on a sign post. This does not apply to Subdivision Entrance Signs.
10. Lamont County will install all signs for new developments in as timely manner as possible, keeping in mind the timetable and restriction from the manufacturer and supplier of the signs, also taking in to account time to get all sites approved by Alberta-One-Call for safety.
11. The cost and responsibility for the replacement of signs in a no fault accident, as in the case of a motor vehicle crash, shall be that of Lamont County and shall be performed to the standards and specifications of Lamont County. The property owner is responsible for notifying Lamont County of damaged or missing rural addressing signs.
12. Once the rural addressing 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.
13. No residential, commercial, industrial or publicly used development shall continue to be addressed with a number if that number is not in accordance with the municipal addressing system of Lamont County. A property owner or occupant shall be notified in writing by Lamont County that such residential, commercial or industrial structures or primary access to such structure is not numbered in accordance with the municipal addressing system as established by this by-law. Any such address signage shall be removed by the landowner.
14. 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 "A"
15. Written notice of any infraction of this by-law shall be served upon the property owner and occupant either in person or by registered mail. Such infraction shall

be corrected within thirty (30) days of the date of the notice.

16. Any person who contravenes any section of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable to a penalty as set out in Schedule "A" herein. A second offence shall be defined as occurring within one calendar year of the first offence and a third offence shall be as occurring within one calendar year of the second offence.
  - a. Under no circumstances shall any person contravening any provision of this bylaw be subject to a penalty of imprisonment.
  - b. A Designated Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a violation tag to any person who the Designated 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 offence;
    - iii. The appropriate specified penalty in lieu of prosecution as set out in Schedule "A";
    - iv. That the penalty shall be paid within thirty (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 "A" and
    - v. Any other information as may be required by the Chief Administrative Officer or Council
  - e. Where a violation tag is issued, pursuant to this bylaw, the person to whom the violation tag issued may, in lieu of being prosecuted for the offence, pay to Lamont County the specified penalty in lieu of prosecution indicated in the violation tag.
17. In those cases where a violation tag has been issued and if the specified penalty in lieu of prosecution on the violation has not been paid within the prescribed time, then a Designated Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a summons pursuant to Part II of the Provincial Offences Procedure Act.
  - a. Notwithstanding Section 14 of this bylaw, a Designated Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to immediately issued a violation ticket to any person who the Designated Officer has reasonable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this bylaw.

18. That this by-law shall come into force and effect upon third reading of Council.

READ a first time this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D., 2009.

READ a second time this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D., 2009.

READ a third time this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D., 2009.

SIGNED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D., 2009.

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Chief Administrative Officer

## **Schedule “A”**

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

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

Where Lamont 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, Lamont County may also provide that person with fourteen (14) days within which to comply to the bylaw. Where a person fails to comply with the bylaw within the time period provided within the violation tag, Lamont County may issue a violation ticket pursuant to Part II of the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, Statutes of Alberta 2000, P-34, as amended, or repealed or replaced from time to time.

Schedule "B"



Individual Lot Sign



Rural Address Sign



Rural Residential Subdivision Entrance Sign

## **Schedule “C”**

### **Design Standards**

#### **Standard Rural Addressing Entrance Sign**

- 60 cm x 30 cm
- Gauge: 0.080 (2mm) high intensity sign sheet aluminium grade 5052-H38
- Aluminium Panels: 3M Scotchlite Engineering grade, blue background, single sided
- Computer cut numbers and letters, “Clearview” font style, white
- “Lamont County” name in the bottom right hand corner
- One “U” channel post

#### **Unit Tab Sign**

- Subdivision Lot Unit tab Sign and /or Rural Lot Unit Tab Sign
- 30 cm x 20 cm
- Gauge: 0.080 (2mm) high intensity sign sheet aluminium grade 5052-H38
- Aluminium Panels: 3M Scotchlite Engineering grade, blue background, single sided
- Computer cut numbers and letters, “Clearview” font style, white
- “Lamont County” name in the bottom right hand corner
- One “U” channel posts

#### **Rural Residential Subdivision or Hamlet Entrance Sign**

- 120 cm x 60 cm
- Gauge: 0.080 (2mm) high intensity sign sheet aluminium grade 5052-H38
- Aluminium Panels: 3M Scotchlite Engineering grade, blue background, single sided
- Computer cut numbers and letters, “Clearview” font style, white
- “Lamont County” name in the bottom right hand corner
- Two “U” channel posts
- Include Subdivision/Hamlet Name and Entrance Address

#### **Posts**

- 1.8m “U” channel posts or equivalent
- All required hardware to securely fit sign to post
- Signs will be predrilled and fixed to posts such that any numbering or lettering is not impeded by the hardware