

SUMMER VILLAGE OF MA-ME-O BEACH

BYLAW NO. 363

**A BYLAW FOR THE PURPOSE OF REGULATING
RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL SEWAGE FACILITIES IN THE SUMMER
VILLAGE OF MA-ME-O BEACH**

WASTEWATER BYLAW 2018-2

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act, 2000, c.M-26 as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time and amendments thereto provides that a council of a municipality may pass bylaws for the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property and to regulate activities and things in, on or near a public place or place that is open to the public;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act 2000, c.M-26 as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time and amendments thereto permits the Council, by bylaw, to control or prohibit development and to respond to present and future issues;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act 2000, c.M-26 as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time and amendments thereto, permits the summer village to impose fines for bylaw offences;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach deems it advisable to adopt such a bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1.0 Name of Bylaw:
 - 1.1 This Bylaw shall be known as "The Wastewater Bylaw 2018-2."
- 2.0 Definitions: In this bylaw,
 - 2.1 '*Black water*' means human excreta and waste water from a toilet or outhouse.
 - 2.2 '*Certified Maintenance Inspector*' means the holder of a Private Sewage Certificate of Competency granted by Alberta Municipal Affairs who has been approved by the Summer Village.
 - 2.3 '*Grey water*' means all other water carried waste water from drinking, bathing, showering, laundering, and food processing but does not include black water.
 - 2.4 '*Inspection Report*' means an Inspection Report provided by a Safety Codes Officer in accordance with the Uniform Quality Management Plan adopted by the Summer Village Council or by a Certified Maintenance Inspector in accordance with this Bylaw.
 - 2.5 '*Municipal Wastewater Utility System*' means a piping system for collecting Wastewater operated by the Summer Village or a contractor selected by the Summer Village, either alone or in cooperation with other municipalities.
 - 2.6 '*Private Sewage Disposal System*' (or *Sewer System*) means on-site wastewater treatment systems as defined in the Standard of Practice, Septic Tanks and the associated Treatment Fields, *Holding Tanks, Privies* or *Outhouses*, or a plant for the treatment and disposal of *Wastewater* that is not connected to a Municipal Wastewater Utility System.

- 2.7 'Sewage' means a) human excreta, and/or b) the water-carried wastes from drinking, bathing, laundering or food processing.
- 2.8 'Sewage field' means a sewage facility that permits waste water to flow from a tank into pipes distributing the water into the ground.
- 2.9 'Summer Village' means the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach.
- 2.10 'Wastewater' includes black water and grey water.

3.0 General

- 3.1 This bylaw is applicable to all parcels of land within the Summer Village.
- 3.2 All properties within the Summer Village that are used for any purpose including camping, recreational activities, or living accommodation must contain all wastewater in a water tight holding tank.
- 3.3 Any developments require that all black and grey water pipes be connected to a holding tank or septic tank. The minimum capacity for the two (2) compartment, two (2) riser holding tank for new or existing developments shall be 5,400 liters (1,200 gallons) unless a variance regarding the minimum size has been approved in advance by the Summer Village. The tank must meet all specifications for hook up to the Municipal Wastewater Utility System.
- 3.4 No Private Sewage Disposal System (definition 2.6) shall be constructed in the Summer Village.
- 3.5 All existing outhouses must be connected to a water tight holding tank or septic tank.
- 3.6 All existing sewage fields must be replaced with a holding tank or septic tank.
- 3.7 Following the commissioning of the Municipal Wastewater Utility System, any new or upgraded Private Sewage Disposal System is required to connect to the Municipal Wastewater Utility System unless prior written approval for a variance has been provided by the Summer Village. Such variance will not be granted unless the holding tank meets the specifications as set out in 3.3.
- 3.8 Upon receiving written or verbal notice of a sewage facility that does not meet the requirements of this bylaw, the summer village will notify the property owner(s) within 10 days. The property owner(s) will have 90 days following the receipt of this notice to correct the deficiencies to their sewage facilities.
- 3.9 Any property owner who fails to upgrade the sewage facility as ordered within the specified time frame: may be subjected to a fine; and, the summer village may contract to have the facility upgraded to a holding tank or septic tank; and, the contaminated soil may be removed and replaced; and, have the holding tank or septic tank will be connected to the Municipal Wastewater Utility System, with all costs charged to the property owner.
- 3.10 Upon receiving written notice of a recreational vehicle, camping accommodation or other activities that create wastewater where that wastewater is not being contained in a water tight holding tank, the Summer Village will notify the property owner and the property owner may be subject to a fine.
- 3.11 When a wastewater producing lot that is not connected to the Municipal Wastewater Utility is sold, the sewage facility must be upgraded and connected to the Municipal Wastewater Utility System within one (1) year.

4.0 Inspections

- 4.1 All new and replacement Private Sewage Disposal Systems require inspection by a Safety Codes Officer in accordance the Safety Codes Act and the Uniform Quality Management Plan.
- 4.2 All existing holding tanks, Privies, and Private Sewage Disposal Systems, are required to be inspected by a Certified Maintenance Inspector.

- 4.3 The Summer Village requires the Inspection to ensure a Private Sewage Disposal System meet the standards of the Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice 2009 and amendments thereto. The property owner shall ensure that a copy of the inspection report is provided to the Summer Village Office.
- 4.4 Inspections to all holding tanks, privies and Private Sewage Disposal Systems will begin in 2019 and recur every third year thereafter.
- 4.5 Inspection costs as per Section 4.4 above will be borne by the property owner and, if unpaid, will be added to the subsequent tax roll.

5.0 Penalties

Offense	Amount
1 st Offense	\$2,500.00
2 nd Offense	\$10,000.00
3 rd and Subsequent Offenses	\$25,000.00 each

PLUS the cost of remediation / rehabilitation required due to the nature of the offense.

Note that any penalty or remediation cost that remains unpaid will be transferred to the Property Tax account as per the conditions in Section 8.11 and late payment penalties will apply.

6.0 Enactment:

This Bylaw repeals Bylaw 362 Wastewater Bylaw 2018.

This Bylaw comes into effect on the date of the third reading.

READ a first time this 15th Day of June 2018.

READ a second time this 15th Day of June 2018.

Given unanimous consent to proceed to third reading this 15th Day of June 2018.

READ a third time and finally passed this 15th Day of June 2018.



 Don Fleming, Mayor
 Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach



 Sylvia Roy, Chief Administrative Officer
 Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach