

TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

BYLAW 2024-011

A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTROL, HEALTH, AND SAFETY OF
ANIMALS IN THE TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

WHEREAS Section 265 of the *Municipal Act*, R.S.Y. 2002, c. 154 provides that Council may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting the control, health, and safety of, and protection from, wild and domestic animals; and

WHEREAS Section 266 of the *Municipal Act* provides that Council may in such bylaws regulate, control or prohibit, and provide for a system of licences, inspections, permits, or approvals;

NOW THEREFORE, the Town of Watson Lake, in open meeting assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1.0 SHORT TITLE

1.01 This Bylaw shall be known as the Animal Control Bylaw.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

“Animal Protection and Control Officer” means an individual appointed to enforce the provisions of the *Animal Protection and Control Act* and the regulations.

“Dangerous Animal” means any individual animal that:

- a. has bitten, injured, attacked or killed a domestic animal, without provocation;
- b. has bitten, injured, or attacked a human being, without provocation; or,
- c. has shown the disposition or tenancy to be threatening or aggressive.

“Domestic Animal” means an animal that is tame in nature and that is traditionally kept by or lives with humans.

“Livestock” means an animal that is traditionally raised and kept in an agricultural setting to provide labor and/or produce animal products for human consumption, and includes cattle, horses, swine, sheep, goats, and other domestic animals ordinarily raised or used on a farm but does not include poultry.

“Nuisance” means something that causes offence, annoyance, trouble or injury, and for the purpose of this bylaw may include:

- a. an animal which causes damage to property of anyone other than its Owners, including but not limited to getting into garbage containers, damaging gardens, or defecating on property of others;
- b. an animal which is maintained in an unsanitary environment which results in offensive odours or danger to public health, or increases the probability of the transmission of disease;

- c. an animal which is permitted or allowed to bark, whine, howl, crow, yowl, cackle or otherwise make noise in an excessive or untimely fashion so as to interfere with the reasonable use and enjoyment of neighboring properties;
- d. an animal that chases, snaps at, or attacks pedestrians, joggers, bicycles, or other vehicles or animals being walked on a leash; and,
- e. an animal that otherwise deprives a property Owner of the right to peaceful enjoyment of their property.

“Officer” means an employee of the Town of Watson Lake or an authorized representative as designated by a Town Chief Administrative Officer who is authorized to enforce this bylaw.

“Outdoor Cat” means a cat which regularly spends time outside and is allowed by its Owner to roam freely.

“Owner” means any person:

- a. to whom a licence for an animal has been issued pursuant to this bylaw;
- b. who owns, is in possession of, or has the care or control of any animal; or,
- c. who harbours, shelters, permits or allows any animal to remain on or about the Owner’s land or premises.

“Pest” means an animal, insect, or organism that is capable of causing an infestation within a building, structure, or property, including but not limited to mice and ants.

“Restricted Animal” means any species of animal that is designated as restricted under the *Yukon Animal Protection and Control Act* or its associated regulations.

“Running at Large” means an animal is not on the property of the Owner and not on a leash under the control of the Owner or another responsible person.

“Seize” means to lawfully take custody of an animal with or without the Owner’s consent.

“Service Animal” means an animal that has been trained by an organization or person specializing in service animal training, to assist a person with a need related to their disability.

“Special Permit” means a permit issued by the Town of Watson Lake to allow an Owner to own or possess more than the permitted number of dog or cats, or a combination of dogs and cats, or for the Ownership of hens, roosters or livestock on property not zoned to allow for such animals as set out in the provisions of this bylaw.

“Town” means the Town of Watson Lake.

“Wild Animal” means any animal which has not been domesticated and does not rely on humans for food, water or shelter.

3.0 PROVISION OF NEEDS

3.01 Every person who keeps an animal within the Town shall provide or cause it to be provided with:

- a. clean, fresh drinking water that is kept in a location as to avoid contamination by excreta;

- b. suitable food sufficient to maintain a healthy body condition and body growth;
 - c. the opportunity for periodic exercise and socialization sufficient to maintain good health, including the opportunity to be unfettered from a fixed area and exercised regularly under appropriate control;
 - d. shelter that provides adequate ventilation, protection from injurious heat and cold;
 - e. sanitary living conditions; and,
 - f. adequate care to address medical or health needs to prevent the animal from persisting in a state of ill health, pain or suffering.
- 3.02 Every person who keeps an animal which normally resides outside, or which is kept outside unsupervised for extended periods of time, shall ensure the animal is provided with:
- a. a total area that is at least twice the length of the animal in all directions; and,
 - b. a house or shelter which is appropriate to the animal's size, weight, and type of coat that has sufficient space to allow the animal the ability to turn around freely and lie in a normal position, and that will provide protection from heat, cold and wet, and seasonal weather.
- 3.03 Every person who keeps an animal which normally resides outside, or which is kept outside unsupervised for extended periods of time, shall regularly clean the area where the animal is kept and remove all excreta from the pen or run area.
- 3.04 No person shall cause an animal to be hitched, tied or fastened to a fixed object where a choke collar, choke chain or pinch collar forms part of the securing apparatus, or where a rope or cord is tied directly around the animal's neck while unattended by its Owner.
- 3.05 No person shall cause an animal to be confined in an enclosed space, including a motor vehicle, without adequate ventilation.

4.0 IDENTIFICATION AND KEEPING OF CATS

- 4.01 Every Owner of an Outdoor Cat shall affix, and keep affixed to the Outdoor Cat, sufficient identification by means of a collar, harness, microchip, or other suitable device, such that a person finding the Outdoor Cat at large in the Town can identify and contact the Owner.
- 4.02 Every Owner of an Outdoor Cat must have the Outdoor Cat spayed or neutered and must licence the Outdoor Cat pursuant to the provisions in Section 5. of this bylaw.
- 4.03 No Outdoor Cat shall run at large or be found on public or private property unless it is spayed or neutered and has sufficient identification affixed to it as required by this bylaw.
- 4.04 Every Owner of a cat over the age of 4 months running at large and found on public or private property in the Town, shall, if requested by an Officer, provide evidence to the Officer's satisfaction, that the cat is spayed or neutered.
- 4.05 A licenced cat captured by or turned over to an Officer shall be identified and returned to its Owner, when possible, unless such cat has been deemed a nuisance pursuant to this Bylaw.

5.0 ANIMAL LICENCES

- 5.01 No person shall own, possess or harbour any dog or cat within the Town unless it is licenced pursuant to the provisions of this bylaw except in the following circumstances:

- a. The dog or cat is under the age of four (4) months or is not weaned from its mother;
 - b. The dog or cat is a service animal or animal employed by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police; or,
 - c. The dog or cat is owned by, or in the possession of, a non-resident Owner for a time period not exceeding three (3) weeks.
- 5.02 The burden of proving that an Owner is not a resident and is temporarily in the Town for a period not exceeding three (3) weeks shall rest upon the Owner who claims to not be a resident.
- 5.04 The Owner of a spayed or neutered cat or dog may apply for a lifetime animal licence and tag and pay a licence fee as prescribed in the Town's Fees and Charges Bylaw.
- 5.05 A dog or cat shall not receive a lifetime licence or tag unless proof that the dog or cat is spayed or neutered, and proof is provided in a form acceptable to the Town.
- 5.06 The Owner of an unneutered or unspayed dog or cat shall annually apply for an animal licence and tag and pay the annual fee as prescribed in the Town's Fees and Charges Bylaw.
- 5.07 Where during the current licence year, an Owner of a dog or cat produces a certificate from a veterinary clinic certifying that it has been spayed or neutered within six (6) months of the purchase of an annual licence, the Owner shall be entitled to a refund of the difference between the annual licence fee and the lifetime licence fee.
- 5.08 Every person who becomes the Owner of a dog or cat which is not currently licenced in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw shall, immediately upon becoming the Owner of the dog or cat, apply to the Town for an animal licence, pay the licence fee and provide the Town with all necessary information.
- 5.09 Every person who becomes a new Owner of a dog or cat that is licenced in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw shall, within fifteen (15) days after becoming the Owner of said dog or cat, notify the Town of the new Owner's name, address, telephone number, and licence tag number of the animal.
- 5.10 No person shall use an animal licence tag on a dog or cat to which it is not registered with the Town. Licences issued under this bylaw shall not be transferable from one dog or cat to another and no refund shall be made on any licence fee before expiration of the licence period.
- 5.11 Every licence issued under this bylaw, with the exception of a lifetime licence, shall be effective from the 1st day of January or the date of issuance, until and including the 31st of December in that calendar year.
- 5.12 Upon payment of the prescribed fee the Town will issue to the Owner a licence tag with the year of issue, and a number stamped therein.
- 5.13 Service Animals, trained to assist the disabled, must be registered with the Town and shall be issued a licence tag at no cost, as set out in the Town's Fees and Charges Bylaw.

5.14 The Owner of a dog or cat which has been duly licensed under this bylaw may obtain a licence tag to replace a tag that has been lost, upon payment of a fee prescribed in the Town's Fees and Charges Bylaw.

6.0 GENERAL PROVISIONS

6.01 No Owner of an animal, other than a licenced spayed or neutered cat, shall permit it to run at large, and where it is found at large, it shall be deemed to be so with the consent of the Owner.

6.02 No Owner of an animal, other than a licenced spayed or neutered cat, shall permit it to be upon any public or private property within municipal boundaries, without consent from the property Owner, unless it is on a leash no longer than two (2) metres and is held at all times by the Owner or another person exercising control of the animal.

6.03 Council may designate areas in the boundaries of the Town as Off-Leash Areas where dogs, except dogs deemed dangerous or dogs being investigated as dangerous, are permitted to run at large.

6.04 The Owner of a dog lawfully running at large under this bylaw shall at all times:

- a. Keep the dog under control by verbal command;
- b. Carry a leash;
- c. Clean up after the dog; and,
- d. Ensure the dog does not cause injury or damage to any person, other animal, or to any property.

6.05 Every Owner of a female dog or cat in heat must ensure that the animal is securely contained or supervised to prevent unintended contact with male animals. This may include confinement within a building, secured enclosure, boarding facility, or controlled exercise under direct supervision.

6.06 No Owner of an animal shall allow it to become a nuisance, chase any person or animal, or damage public or private property.

6.07 The Owner or person having care and control of an animal shall be responsible for cleaning up and properly disposing of animal feces on public or private land.

6.08 No person shall interfere with or attempt to obstruct an Officer who is attempting to seize or who has seized any animal in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw.

6.09 No person shall remove or attempt to remove any animal from the possession of an Officer, or from any person responsible for the operation or maintenance of the Animal Shelter at which an animal is being held.

6.10 No person shall release or remove or attempt to remove any animals contained in a trap installed by an Officer.

6.11 No person shall destroy, damage or otherwise interfere with any trap installed by an officer.

6.12 An Owner shall ensure that all animals are properly secured on their property.

7.0 IMPOUNDMENT & REDEMPTION

- 7.01 The Town shall maintain and operate a Town Animal Shelter at 1104 Centennial Avenue, Watson Lake, for the purpose of impounding animals.
- 7.02 An Officer may decide by reference to this bylaw, whether an animal has become a public nuisance, is deemed dangerous, or is running at large.
- 7.03 An Officer may immediately seize any animal found running at large, causing a nuisance or which is, or has been, disturbing the peace and quiet of any person. An Officer may impound such animal at the Town's Animal Shelter, or any other facility deemed appropriate, at the discretion of the Officer.
- 7.04 An Officer shall impound an animal for a maximum of three (3) business days after being impounded or until such time as the Owner of the impounded animal satisfies the Officer that the animal is no longer a public nuisance and pays impoundment fees and such other expenses incurred by the Town related to the impounding, licencing, and feed and care of the animal.
- 7.05 An Officer is empowered to use any reasonable means as are necessary to capture and impound an animal which is in the opinion of the Officer, a nuisance, dangerous, or running at large.
- 7.06 Any person may catch and hold an animal that is found running at large and shall turn such animal over to an Officer, unless it is a spayed or neutered cat that can be identified and returned to the Owner.
- 7.07 Where an animal wearing a current Town licence tag or other means of identification is impounded, an Officer shall make all reasonable efforts to notify the animal's Owner and make known any conditions under which custody of the animal shall be regained by the Owner, the same day the impoundment occurs.
- 7.08 Where an animal is not licenced and the Owner of the animal is unknown, an Officer shall locally advertise the impoundment of the animal with a description of the animal, in at least one (1) place within the municipality.
- 7.09 Impoundment fees for the impoundment of an animal will be levied on a graduated scale with a fee for first impoundment, second impoundment and third and subsequent impoundments, as prescribed in the Town's Fees and Charges Bylaw.
- 7.10 Where more than one animal owned by an Owner is impounded at the same time or at different times, each impoundment shall be considered to be separate and consecutive.
- 7.11 Any animal, which is unlicenced at the time of its impoundment and required to be licenced, shall not be released from impoundment until such time as the Owner has obtained a current licence for the animal.
- 7.12 Impounded animals will only be released during regular Town Office hours.
- 7.13 Any animal, other than a dog or cat, impounded under the provisions of this bylaw may be recovered by the Owner on payment of the actual costs of seizure and impoundment,

together with the daily fee for feed and care for each day that the animal was impounded, and on providing a place of keeping for such animal in compliance with the provisions of this bylaw.

- 7.14 Where the Ownership of an impounded animal other than a dog or cat can be determined by an Officer, the Officer shall inform the Owner of the impounded animal of its seizure and the conditions under which it may be recovered by the Owner.
- 7.15 Any animal, other than a cat or dog, impounded under the provisions of this bylaw may be recovered by its Owner within three (3) business days of impoundment.
- 7.16 If the Owner of any impounded animal, other than a dog or cat, cannot be found, or if the Owner of such animal does not recover it within three business days of its impoundment and pay the prescribed fees and charges, then the Town may rehome the animal or relocate it to an animal rescue organization. When a reasonable attempt to rehome or relocate the animal is unsuccessful, an Officer may humanely dispose of or destroy the animal, in accordance to provisions of the *Animal Protection and Control Act*.
- 7.17 The impoundment provisions of this bylaw shall not apply when an Owner voluntarily surrenders their animal at the Town operated Animal Shelter.

8.0 CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

- 8.01 With the exception of the humane destruction of an animal pursuant to this Bylaw or the *Animal Protection and Control Act*, no person shall kill an animal unless it has been raised for food.
- 8.02 No person shall deliberately cause or permit an animal to be tortured, maimed, wounded or injured, or suffer extreme anxiety.
- 8.03 No person shall place poison in such a position that it may be easily consumed by animals, except for animals defined as pests.
- 8.04 Any person commits an offence who:
- a. willfully causes, or being the Owner, permits another to cause unnecessary pain, suffering, anxiety or injury to any animal; or,
 - b. abandons an animal in distress or willfully neglects or fails to provide suitable and adequate food, water, shelter and care for any animal.

9.0 RABIES & INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL

- 9.01 An Owner of an animal suspected of having rabies or such other communicable disease hazardous to humans or other animals shall immediately report the matter to a Town Officer, Yukon Environmental Health Officer or Yukon Chief Veterinary Officer.

10.0 DANGEROUS AND WILD ANIMALS

- 10.01 All animals designated as dangerous under this bylaw must be:
- a. licenced with the municipality as a dangerous dog or animal; and,
 - b. confined within a secured enclosure, unless under the immediate charge and control of a competent and responsible person.

- 10.02 Where an Officer has reasonable grounds to believe an animal dangerous, the Officer shall provide written notice to the Owner by serving such notice in person or by registered mail at least ten (10) days in advance of a decision on whether or not to declare an animal dangerous. The written notice shall include:
- a. a written report of the Officer with reasons for deeming the animal dangerous;
 - b. a copy of the dangerous and wild animals provisions contained in this bylaw; and,
 - c. a statement that if the Owner does not, within ten (10) days of the receipt of the notice, provide written reasons as to why the declaration should not be made, a determination on whether or not to deem the animal dangerous will be made without further notice.
- 10.03 Within ten (10) days of the written notice being given to the Owner, an Officer shall make a final determination with respect to declaring the animal dangerous and provide written notice to the Owner by mailing the decision by registered mail.
- 10.04 Where notice has been provided to an Owner that an animal has been deemed dangerous, the notice shall state that the Owner may appeal the determination that the animal is dangerous by providing written notice of the appeal to the Town within ten (10) days of the date the notice was provided to the Owner.
- 10.05 Subsections 10.01 to 10.04 of this bylaw may not apply where there have been an animal bite incident or multiple incidents. For the purposes of this bylaw, any unprovoked animal that has bitten a person or persons may be deemed to have a dangerous temperament, unless such bite is unintentional, and there will be no appeal from that deeming.
- 10.06 No Owner of any animal shall permit it to bite any person and where an animal has bitten any person it shall be deemed to have been done with the consent of the Owner.
- 10.07 No Owner of an animal shall permit it to bite any other animal which is on a leash and where an animal has bitten another leashed animal, it shall be deemed to have been done with the consent of the Owner.
- 10.08 No Owner of an animal shall permit it, without provocation, to bite any other animal that is off leash or on private property, and where an animal has bitten another unleashed animal, it shall be deemed to have done so with the consent of the Owner.
- 10.09 No Owner of any animal shall permit it to bite, attack or harass any other tethered animal or any animal or poultry which is in a pen or fenced area and where an animal has bitten, attacked or harassed any animal or poultry, it shall be deemed to have been with the consent of the Owner.
- 10.10 In any proceedings under subsection 10.05 to 10.09, where there is no action is being taken by the Owner to licence the animal as dangerous and confine or control the animal pursuant to section 10.01, an Officer may make an order for the surrender of the animal to the Officer, and a report may be referred to an Animal Protection and Control Officer for investigation.
- 10.11 Where the animal is not surrendered pursuant to the order, the Officer may impose a fine upon the Owner, pursuant to Schedule "B".

- 10.12 Where an Officer is satisfied, upon evidence that there are reasonable and probable grounds to believe that a dangerous animal is being kept in violation of this bylaw, an Officer may seize and impound the animal and may impose a fine upon the Owner, pursuant to Schedule “B”.
- 10.13 No person shall own a wild or restricted animal within the Town except for the purpose of exhibition in circuses, zoos, educational institutions, or without a permit issued under the *Animal Protection and Control Act*.

11.0 KENNELS, ANIMAL SHELTERS AND PET STORES

- 11.01 Any person who owns or operates a kennel, animal shelter, or pet store shall obtain a Yukon Government permit pursuant to the provisions under the *Animal Protection and Control Act*.
- 11.02 Any person who owns or operates a kennel, animal shelter or pet store shall obtain a licence to operate pursuant to the provisions of the Town’s Business Licence Bylaw.
- 11.03 Notwithstanding the provisions of this bylaw, the holder of a permit to operate a kennel or animal shelter shall be issued three (3) licence tags at no charge at the time of issue of a Business Licence and may purchase additional licence tags as needed.
- 11.04 Any person operating a licensed kennel or animal shelter shall keep the animals in the kennel or shelter confined to the premises, except when the animals are wearing the licence tags issued pursuant to subsection 11.03 and are under the immediate charge and control of a competent and responsible person.
- 11.05 Any person who owns or operates a kennel or animal shelter shall comply with requirements set out in the *Animal Protection and Control Act*.
- 11.06 Any person who owns or operates a kennel, animal shelter or pet store shall comply with all applicable bylaws of the municipality.

12.0 KEEPING OF HENS, COOPS AND LIVESTOCK

- 12.01 No person shall keep hens, coops, roosters, or livestock within municipal boundaries unless that person is the Owner and resides on the property or has written authorization from the Owner and resides on the property.
- 12.02 A person who keeps one or more hens or a rooster must:
- a. provide each hen and/or rooster with food, water, shelter, light, ventilation, and opportunities for essential behaviors such as scratching, dustbathing, and roosting, all sufficient to maintain the health of the hen, hens or rooster; and,
 - b. maintain a coop in good repair and sanitary condition, and free from noxious smells and substances.
- 12.03 No person shall keep a rooster within municipal boundaries except in Rural Residential zoned properties or by Special Permit on Country Residential zoned properties.
- 12.04 No person shall keep hens or coops within municipal boundaries except in Rural Residential and Country Residential property zones, pursuant to the Town’s Zoning Bylaw, or by Special Permit under the provisions of Sections 12.06 and 14. of this bylaw.

- 12.05 No person shall own, or permit on their property, livestock within municipal boundaries except in Rural Residential zoned properties or as an approved conditional use in Country Residential zoned properties pursuant to the Town's Zoning Bylaw, and by Special Permit.
- 12.06 No Special Permit shall be issued for the Ownership of hens, coops, a rooster or livestock unless the applicant provides to the Town the following:
- a. the consent in writing, in such manner prescribed by the Town, of all property Owners who own property within 100 metres of the boundary of the property where the hens, coops, or livestock will be kept.
 - b. An agreement in writing, in such manner prescribed by the Town:
 - i. Permitting the Town and its Officers to enter onto the property where the hens, coops, or livestock will be kept for the purpose of inspection;
 - ii. Agreeing that the poultry or livestock will not be used for commercial purposes; and,
 - iii. Agreeing that no livestock will be harboured within one hundred (100) feet of a body of water.
- 12.07 Hens, coops, roosters and livestock shall only be permitted in property zones listed in Schedule "A", attached hereto and forming part of this bylaw.

13.0 KEEPING OF BEES AND APIARIES

- 13.01 It shall be the duty of every person on whose property bees are kept, to maintain the bees in good condition and take all reasonable precautions to prevent the bees from swarming and having aggressive behavior.
- 13.02 It shall be the responsibility of the person on whose property the bees are kept, to deter other animals from the beehives and protect the beehives from being disturbed by animals by employing suitable methods of prevention including but not limited to the use of fencing or hedging.
- 13.03 A person who suspects that there may be disease in an apiary must immediately report the suspicion to Yukon Government's Agricultural Branch and/or the Chief Veterinary Officer, when applicable.

14.0 SPECIAL PERMITS

- 14.01 No person shall keep or permit to be kept any animal other than domestic animals and a maximum of two (2) dogs or two (2) cats, or one (1) cat and one (1) dog, on any property within the Town, except in Rural Residential zoned properties without a Special Permit duly granted by the Town.
- 14.02 Every person, other than the holder of a valid kennel, animal shelter, pet store or veterinary clinic licence, who wishes to own more than two (2) dogs or two (2) cats, and keep them on a property in the Town that is not zoned Rural Residential shall first apply to the Town for a Special Permit and pay a permit fee pursuant to the Town's Fees and Charges Bylaw.
- 14.03 No person, other than the holder of a kennel, pet store or veterinary clinic licence, shall own, or permit to be owned, more than four (4) dogs or four (4) cats by Special Permit at any time

on land or premises occupied by their Owners within the Town, except on Rural Residential zoned properties.

- 14.04 No application for a Special Permit for the ownership of more than two (2) dogs or two (2) cats, shall be considered under Section 14.02 unless the applicant provides to the Town at the time of application:
- a. the consent in writing, on form prescribed by the Town, of all property Owners whose property is located within 100 metres of the boundaries of the property of the applicant on which the animals will be harboured; and,
 - b. an agreement in writing, on a form prescribed by the Town permitting the Town and its officers to enter onto the lands where the animals be kept for purposes of inspection.
- 14.05 Every Special Permit issued under this bylaw shall be effective from the date of issue until the 31st day of December of the current year and shall be renewed each year on or before the date of expiry, unless an extension has been granted by an Officer.
- 14.06 For the purpose of Section 14 “domestic animal” shall mean an animal older than the age of four (4) months.
- 14.07 The renewal of a Special Permit shall not require the adjoining property Owners' consent unless a complaint has been received by the Town in the previous year.
- 14.08 There shall be a maximum of 20 hens allowed under one Special Permit.

15.0 PENALTIES & ENFORCEMENT

- 15.01 An Officer of the Town shall enforce the provisions of this bylaw.
- 15.02 Pursuant to the provisions of the *Criminal Code of Canada*, for any violation of this bylaw, a justice may at any time issue a warrant authorizing an Officer who is named in the warrant to apply the search and seizure provisions of the *Criminal Code*.
- 15.03 Any person who contravenes any provisions of this bylaw is guilty of an offence.
- 15.04 Any person who commits an offence under this bylaw is, in addition to any other punishment, liable on summary conviction to:
- a. a voluntary fine under section 20 of the *Summary Convictions Act*, issued in respect of any offence specified in Schedule “B” attached hereto and forming part of this bylaw.
 - b. a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) where proceedings are commenced pursuant to the *Summary Convictions Act* of the Yukon.
 - c. A fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) where proceedings are commenced pursuant to the summary conviction provisions if the *Criminal Code of Canada*, as amended.
- 15.05 Should any person owning or occupying real property within municipal boundaries refuse or neglect to pay any penalties that have been levied pursuant to this bylaw, an Officer may inform such person in default that if these charges are unpaid on the thirty-first (31) day in December of the same year, the levied penalties shall be added to and form part of taxes payable in respect of that real property as taxes in arrears.

16.0 APPEAL

16.01 Any person who has applied for but failed to be granted a licence or permit or who has had a privilege denied or revoked under the provisions of this bylaw may appeal the denial or revocation in writing to Council within thirty (30) days after the decision was rendered, and Council may decide to grant the request be reinstated.

16.02 The right of appeal shall be barred and extinguished if not received in writing by Council within the thirty (30) day period set out in this bylaw.

17.0 GENERAL INTERPRETATIONS

17.01 The invalidity of any section or provision of this bylaw shall not affect the validity of any other part of this bylaw that can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

18.0 REPEALING BYLAW

18.01 Animal Control Bylaw #07-09, including any amendments hereto is hereby repealed.

Read a First time this 24th day of December 2024

Read a Second time this 15th day of April, 2025

Read a Third time and Finally passed this 21st day of April, 2026



Lauren Hanchar – Mayor



Tiffany Lund – Municipal Clerk

Schedule "A"

Property Zone Allowances for the Ownership of Hens, Coops, Roosters, Livestock and Cats and Dogs over the Allowable Number

ZONE	Hens/Coops	Rooster	Livestock	Dogs/Cats – Over Allowable Limit
R1 – Residential	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Not Permitted	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Permitted by Special Permit Only
RC – Country Residential	Permitted	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Permitted (Conditional Use)	Permitted by Special Permit Only
RM – Multi-Residential	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Not Permitted	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Permitted by Special Permit Only
RMH – Mobile Home	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Not Permitted	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Permitted by Special Permit Only
RR – Rural Residential	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted
I – Institutional	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Not permitted	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Permitted by Special Permit Only
A/AP – Airport and/or Airport Peripheral	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Not permitted	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Permitted by Special Permit Only
All Commercial/Industrial	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Not Permitted	Permitted by Special Permit Only	Permitted by Special Permit Only

Schedule "B" Voluntary Fines

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	PENALTY
3.01(a)	Fail to provide clean drinking water	\$100.00
3.01(b)	Fail to provide sufficient food	\$100.00
3.01(c)	Fail to exercise animal	\$75.00
3.01(d)	Fail to provide adequate shelter	\$75.00
3.01(e)	Fail to provide sanitary living conditions	\$100.00
3.01(f)	Fail to address medical or health needs	\$200.00
3.02	Insufficient area provided to animal	\$100.00
3.04	Use of choke collar/chain or pinch collar to tie or fasten	\$200.00
3.05	Inadequate ventilation for confined animal	\$250.00
4.01	Fail to affix identification to Outdoor Cat	\$75.00
4.02	Fail to spay or neuter Outdoor Cat running at large	\$100.00
5.01 – 5.09	Fail to licence dog or cat	\$100.00
5.10	Misuse of animal licence and/or tag	\$100.00
6.01	Dog/Cat running at large	\$75.00
6.01	Dog/Cat running at large (2 nd offense)	\$150.00
6.01	Dog/Cat running at large (3 rd offense)	\$300.00
6.04	Unlawful use of designated off-leash areas	\$100.00
6.05	Fail to contain female animal in heat	\$100.00
6.06	Nuisance animal	\$100.00
6.07	Fail to clean animal feces	\$75.00
6.08	Obstruct an Officer attempting to seize animal	\$100.00
6.09	Remove/attempt to remove animal in possession of an Officer	\$100.00
6.10	Remove/attempt to remove an animal from a trap	\$100.00
6.11	Interfere with a trap	\$75.00
8.01 - 8.02	Kill, torture, main, wound, or injure animal	\$300.00

8.03	Placing of poison to be consumed by animals	\$300.00
8.04(a)	Cause unnecessary pain, suffering, anxiety, or injury	\$250.00
8.04(b)	Abandonment of animal	\$250.00
9.01	Fail to report communicable disease	\$100.00
10.01(a)	Fail to licence dangerous animal	\$150.00
10.01(b)	Fail to confine dangerous animal	\$150.00
10.06	Dog bite – person	\$200.00
10.07 – 10.09	Dog bite – animal	\$200.00
10.11	Refuse to surrender dangerous animal	\$250.00
10.12	Dangerous animal kept in violation of bylaw	\$250.00
10.13	Wild or restricted animal violation	\$100.00
11.01	Operate a kennel, shelter, pet store without permit	\$100.00
11.02	Operate a kennel, shelter, pet store without licence	\$100.00
11.03	Fail to confine animals (kennel/shelter/store)	\$75.00
12.01	Keep hens, coops, roosters, or livestock without authorization	\$75.00
12.02	Fail to provide sufficient care	\$100.00
12.03	Keep rooster in unauthorized property zone	\$75.00
12.04	Keep hens/coops in unauthorized property zone	\$75.00
12.05	Keep livestock in unauthorized property zone	\$75.00
13.01	Fail to maintain bees/hives	\$75.00
13.02	Fail to protect bees/hives from disturbance	\$75.00
13.03	Fail to report suspected disease	\$100.00
14.0	Fail to obtain a special permit	\$75.00
14.05	Fail to renew special permit	\$75.00
14.08	Possess over 20 hens on property	\$75.00