## TOWN OF CLARESHOLM PROVINCE OF ALBERTA BYLAW #1225

A Bylaw of the Town of Claresholm to control cats within the  $\operatorname{\mathsf{Town}}\nolimits$  .

WHEREAS Section One Hundred and Sixty Four (164) of The Municipal Government Act gives the Municipality of Claresholm the authority to pass a Bylaw for the regulating and controlling of animals.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Claresholm enacts as follows:

- 1. This bylaw be cited as "The Cat Bylaw."
- In this Bylaw, including this section, unless the context otherwise requires:
  - a) "Animal Control Officer" and/or "Poundkeeper" means any person, firm or corporation, appointed by Council to carry out the provisions of this Bylaw.
  - b) "Cat" shall mean either a male or female cat over the age of three months.
  - c) "Council" means the Mayor and Councillors elected by the citizens of the Town, and who are holding office pursuant thereto.
  - d) "Owner" means the person who has legal title to a cat, and includes also any person who has the possession or custody of the cat, or harbours the cat, or suffers the cat to remain on his premises.
  - e) "Pound" means a place designated by Council as a place where cats may be placed and kept impounded under humane conditions.
  - f) "Town" means the Town of Claresholm.
- 3. A cat owner, whose cat or cats are or become a public nuisance, is guilty of an offence.
- 4. The Animal Control Officer, or any person or persons as shall be authorized or appointed by the said Council, may capture a cat or cats using any humane method and shall deliver said cat or cats to the pound, where said animal shall be held for a period of seven (7) days. If not claimed, said animals shall be destroyed.
- 5. Each cat impounded under the provisions of this Bylaw shall be subject to impounding fees at a rate of \$10.00 per day and for each and every subsequent day or part thereof said cats are confined. Any consecutive holiday for the purpose of this section shall be deemed to be one day.
- 6. Any cat impounded under the provisions of this Bylaw shall not be released by the Poundkeeper until such time as the owner can present to the satisfaction of the Poundkeeper that he has paid all fines and pound fees.
- 7. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Bylaw or any other person responsible for such violation shall be liable on summary conviction before a magistrate to a penalty of not less than \$10.00 in addition to any impoundment fees.
- 8. This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the date of final passage.

Read a first time in Council this 12 day of Oct 1984 A.D.

Read a second time in Council this 13 day of Nov 1984 A.D.

READ a third time in Council and passed this 26 Nov day of 1984 A.D.

SECRETARY-TREASURER - LARRY FLEXHAUG MAYOR - BOB MACKIN