

TOWN OF CLARESHOLM PROVINCE OF ALBERTA BYLAW #1653

Claresholm

A Bylaw of the Town of Claresholm, in the Province of Alberta, to impose penalties for nonpayment of taxes as provided by the Municipal Government Act R.S.A. 2000 Chapter M-26.

WHEREAS in accordance with the Municipal Government Act R.S.A. 2000 Chapter M-26, as amended, the Town imposes taxes annually in respect of property in the Municipality to raise revenue;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with Sections 344, 345 and 346 of the Municipal Government Act Council may pass a bylaw to impose penalties on non-payment of taxes;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Claresholm in the Province of Alberta duly assembled enacts as follows:

SECTION 1

NAME OF BYLAW

1.1This Bylaw may be cited as the "Tax Penalty Bylaw."

SECTION 2

DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 In this bylaw:
 - a) "CAO" means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Claresholm.
 - b) "Council" means the Town Council of the Town of Claresholm.
 - c) "Municipality" means the Town of Claresholm and includes any board, committee, commission, panel, agency or corporation that is created or owned by the Town of Claresholm and all the members or officers of which are appointed or chosen by the Town of Claresholm.
 - d) "Tax Notice" is the notice sent by the Town with all information regarding the tax roll as per Section 334 of the Municipal Government Act.

SECTION 3

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- The following are acceptable forms of payment for taxes:
 - a) Tax Installment Payment Plan (TIPPs);
 - b) In person at the Town of Claresholm Administration Office by cash, cheque or Interac by 4:00pm;
 - c) By cheque in the mail slot located at the Town of Claresholm Administration Office by
 - d) In person at an accepted financial institution with a date stamp as proof of payment if payment is being made on the due date;
 - e) Online Banking with proof being the financial institution's notification from the electronic payment office stating the amount paid and the corresponding tax roll;
 - f) Any other financial institution method with proof being a copy of the bank statement where the payment originated from showing name, payment date and amount; or
 - g) Canada Post with valid proof being the post-mark.
- 3.2 Payments for current taxes must be received by June 30th or the last business day in June in one of the manners listed in Section 3.1, or proof must be provided as indicated to avoid tax penalties being imposed the next day.
- Payments on all outstanding balances must be received by December 31st or the last 3.3 business day in December in one of the manners listed in Section 3.1, or proof must be provided as indicated to avoid tax penalties being imposed the next day.

SECTION 4

APPLICATION OF PENALTIES

- 4.1 Penalties will be applied to any tax roll where the current taxes remain unpaid after the date shown on the tax notice as per Schedule "A" (1).
- Additional penalties will also be applied to any tax roll with an outstanding balance in 4.2 any year if the taxes remain unpaid after December 31st as per Schedule "A" (2).
- 4.3 Any penalty imposed under the provisions of this bylaw shall be added to and form part of the unpaid taxes.

SECTION 5

PASSAGE OF BYLAW

- 5.1 Bylaw #1563 and #1595 are hereby repealed.
- 5.2 This Bylaw shall come into effect upon passage of 3rd Reading.

READ a first time in Council this 10th day of **September** 2018 A.D.

READ a second time in Council this 24th day of September 2018 A.D.

READ a third time in Council and finally passed this **24**th day of **September** 2018 A.D.

Doug MacPherson, Mayor

Marian Carlson, CAO

TOWN OF CLARESHOLM BYLAW NO. SCHEDULE "A" TAX PENALTIES

- 1.A penalty of fourteen percent (14%) shall be applied to unpaid current taxes.
- 2.A penalty of fourteen percent (14%) shall be applied to all outstanding balances.

