

BYLAW NO. 14-32-335

BEING A BYLAW OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHERN LIGHTS, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO PROVIDE FOR AND IMPLEMENT A MUNICIPAL RURAL CIVIC ADDRESSING SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Council may, pursuant to Section 58 of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 as amended, assign a means of identification to buildings or parcels of land and require an owner or occupant to display the identification in a certain manner; and

WHEREAS, Council has deemed it desirable to implement a Municipal Rural Civic Addressing system which can be utilized by emergency service providers and for other reasons;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the County of Northern Lights in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Rural Civic Addressing Bylaw".
2. Designated hamlets mean Dixonville, North Star and Notikewin
2. (a) That all parcels of land supporting residential, commercial and industrial development with a primary access onto a developed public road right of way will be assigned a rural address by the County of Northern Lights and such address will be posted, with the exception of the oil and gas industry as regulated by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board, on a sign adjacent to the driveway at the property line.
3. That the Municipality shall be responsible for the provision and placement of all rural addresses signage. In the case of civic addresses in a hamlet, the homeowner shall be responsible.
4. (a) In the rural area, that the signs will be white reflectorized letters placed on a medium green background. Where practical, the Municipality shall install signs at the property line or 1 m (3.28 ft) onto the right of way. If possible, signs shall be 5 m (16.4 ft) on the right hand side of the driveway as entering the property, and far enough away from the shoulder to minimize conflict with snow removal equipment and wide vehicles. The sign shall be a minimum of 1.22 m (4ft) above natural ground level in a location which is conspicuous and in compliance with Municipal standards.
- (b) Civic addresses in a hamlet shall be plainly visible from the road using contrasting colors with characters no less than 5.24 cm (6 inches) in height or a 30 cm x 40 cm green sign with 5.08 cm lettering.
5. The address of a parcel is determined utilizing Alberta Municipal Affairs Addressing System by the location of the primary driveway access as it intersects the grid road

as outlined in Schedule "A".

- a) Address numbers increase from south to north and from east to west. Odd numbers are on the south and east side of the road and even numbers are on the north and west side of the road.
 - b) Addressing within a subdivision will be assigned a lot # and will be numbered clockwise from the access road entry using an increment of 4, with odd numbers along the south and east. Even numbers are along the north and west.
 - c) Where there are multiple residences located off the same primary access, the first building off the access designated "A", the second building "B", and so forth.
6. That the cost associated with the initial supply and installation of the rural address signs at the primary access to lands supporting residential, commercial or industrial development and existing prior to the effective date shall be funded by the County of Northern Lights.
 7. Should a landowner request a rural address sign where otherwise not required or provided for by this Bylaw (e.g. recreational property with no residence), the landowner shall be responsible for costs of such signage, as per County Schedule of Fees. The sign will be installed by the Public Works staff as time permits.
 8. The cost and responsibility of the replacement of signs in a no fault accident, (e.g. motor vehicle accident), shall be that of the County of Northern Lights. The property owner is responsible for notifying the County of Northern Lights of damaged or missing rural addressing signs.
 9. Once the rural address 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.
 10. No residential, commercial or industrial development shall continue to be addressed with a number if that number is not in accordance with the rural addressing system of the County of Northern Lights. Any such address signage shall be removed by the landowner.
 11. 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.
 12. Any person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offense and is liable to a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500).
 13. Should any provision of the Bylaw become invalid, void, illegal or otherwise not enforceable, it shall be considered separate and severable from the Bylaw and the remainder shall remain in force and be binding as though such provision had not been invalid.
 14. That the adoption of this Bylaw is effective upon the date of the passing of the third and final reading of this Bylaw.

15. This Bylaw, 14-32-335 shall repeal Bylaw 13-32-314.

Read for the **FIRST** time this 23rd day of September, 2014.

Read for the **SECOND** time this 23rd day of September, 2014.

Read for the **THIRD AND FINAL** time this 23rd day of September, 2014.

Chief Elected Official

Chief Administrative Officer