Policy No. OH-011

PEST CONTROL IN ORGANIZED HAMLETS

Policy Objective	To ensure the safety of pest control services provided within the boundaries of Organized Hamlets
Authority	Resolution # 217/2018
Supporting Bylaw	
Related Policy(s)	

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

The Pest Control Act

The Pest Control Products (Saskatchewan) Act

OBJECTIVE

This pest control policy is implemented to ensure the safety of and enjoyment of property throughout the Rural Municipality of McKillop No. 220 (the RM).

This policy is adopted as an affirmation of Council's commitment to accountability and transparency to the ratepayers of the Municipality by ensuring that all information that may be legally distributed is available to the ratepayers. Council also recognizes its responsibility and accountability to all ratepayers. By implementing this policy, Council seeks to reconcile these two objectives.

SCOPE

Establishment of parameters relating to pest control measures within the boundaries of the RM.

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DEFINITIONS

- a) "Council" means the Council of the Rural Municipality of McKillop No. 220
- b) "RM" means the Rural Municipality of McKillop No. 220

POLICY

1. <u>Pest Control Services</u>

- 1.1. All Organized Hamlets are provided pest control services relating to rat control because of a contract that the RM Council has established with a Pest Control Officer who travels throughout the RM.
- 1.2. Should an Organized Hamlet Board determine that a rat control problem exists within the boundaries of the Organized Hamlet, it is the responsibility of the Organized Hamlet Board to contact the RM administration office immediately in order that the Pest Control Officer is notified of the issue and attends the site to assess and manage the problem.
- 1.3. For pest control relating to all pests, except for rats, the RM administration office maintains a list of service providers that are available and properly licensed to attend to removal of pests from areas within any Organized Hamlet. It is the responsibility of the Organized Hamlet Board to contact the RM administration office immediately upon identification of the pest control issue in order that a service provider is notified of the issue and attends the site to assess and manage the problem.

2. Pest Control Services Costs

- 2.1. Each Organized Hamlet shall be responsible for the cost of providing pest control services to the ratepayers located within the boundaries of the Organized Hamlet.
- 2.2. The cost of pest control services shall be allocated to each Organized Hamlet based on the invoice received from the service provider and shall be charged to the Organized Hamlet account by the RM.

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3. Prohibited Pest Control Actions

3.1. No Organized Hamlet Board shall undertake to place poison, set traps or engage weapons to address a pest control issue. Only licensed service providers shall be involved in the elimination of pests from within the boundaries of an Organized Hamlet.

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